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Student government day festivities graced by "First Mother"

Fifteen Island young people were invited to serve as honorary city officials on Sanibel last Wednesday for a full slate of Student Government Day festivities which were miraculously graced by a brief visit from "Miss Lillian" Carter, the outspoken 78 year-old mother of President Jimmy Carter.

Student Government Day, 1977 started normally enough for the group of about 25 young Islanders, including last year's participants and this year's student officials, gathered in MacKenzie Hall Wednesday morning.

After being introduced to their official counterparts for the day's events, the Island students, representing grades 5 through 12, were led on a guided tour of Sanibel City Hall, Police and Fire Departments, as well as the main plant of the Island Water Association.

Their educational tour of public service facilities in the city featured an

Lillian the venerable lady from Plains, Georgia, who turned up shelling on Sanibel Wednesday while vacationing in Naples, Florida.

Miss Lillian met with a standing ovation upon her unannounced entrance into the Community House last Wednesday, and immediately asked the group's pardon for her intrusion on their meal.

Upon learning that the bill of fare included fried chicken and a salad containing peanuts (catered by Scotty's Pub), Miss Lillian nodded a smiling Southern approval but declined to join in the meal, having just dined at Scotty's herself, she said.

Miss Lillian was then introduced to the mayor, city councilmen, and other Islanders and city officials gathered for the luncheon, while chatting and signing autographs for the lucky Student Government Day participants, who were beaming amidst all the excitement.

Before returning to Naples, Miss Lillian submitted to an interview with local television newsman Dan Bradley, and then departed, asking Islanders to send her seashells from Sanibel, as her luck on the beach had not been so good, she reported.

The special city council meeting which followed seemed almost anticlimatic after the excitement of Miss Lillian's visit, although the student officials played their respective roles to perfection, showing city fathers the humor of their foibles in the youngsters' mimicry of municipal routine.

The student councilmen heard reports from each student department head in his turn on affairs of actual current importance in the city, intended to encourage the young Islanders in the way of civic awareness.

Student City Clerk Jerri Voss for instance, presented Student Mayor Tanya Machold with a check for over \$750 which the city had received that day from the Lee County Clerk of Circuit Court for traffic fines and other citations issued by the Sanibel Police Department.

"For once, crime does pay," joked Clerk Voss to everyone's amusement.

Later, the student officials turned their attention to matters of interest to young people on the Islands, such as Mayor Machold's proclamation of the week of May 11-17 as Youth Recognition Week on Sanibel.

Venerable Visitor



A smiling "Miss Lillian" Carter, mother of President Jimmy Carter, sent a wave of excitement across the Islands last Wednesday during her unexpected visit to Sanibel to collect a few specimens of the Islands' world renowned seashell resource.

Miss Lillian's day on the Islands opened with a bit of shelling on the beach by the Sanibel lighthouse Wednesday morning, during which the redoubtable septogenarian chatted with shellers, strollers and reporters before retiring to the privacy of Scotty's Pub for a bite of lunch.

Word of her visit moved rapidly along the Island grapevine, and before Miss Lillian could finish her lunch, Student Government Day organizers Susan Siler and Sherry Vartdal had caught up with her.

With the assistance of Islander Al Duncan, they persuaded Miss Lillian to stop at the Sanibel Community House and make an appearance at a Student Government Day Luncheon which was then in progress.

At the Community House, Miss Lillian met Islanders and city officials and carried the day by chatting and

signing autographs for an ecstatic group of Island young people participating in the Student Government Day festivities on Sanibel (see story beginning on page 1 of this issue).

Before leaving the Islands, Miss Lillian stopped at the Bank of the Islands to cash some traveller's checks, where teller Nancy Stringer failed to recognize her famous face. As Miss Lillian had come to shell and neglected to bring any identification, she was forced to wait until a small crowd gathered before her identity could be verified and her checks cashed.

Miss Lillian became a Sanibel "day tripper" last Wednesday while vacationing in Naples, Florida with her sisters, Mrs. Elizabeth Braunstein from Tennessee and Mrs. Emily Dolvin of Georgia.

For security reasons, the President's mother refrained from disclosing the name of her host in Naples, where her beer-drinking son Bill had visited only a few weeks ago.

The 70 year-old Miss Lillian said she would be returning to her Plains homestead sometime this week.



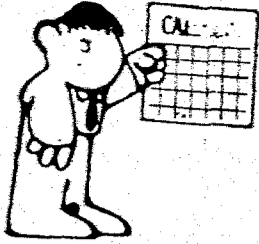
Mayers Goss and Tanya Machold shared a moment of mirth during Student Government Day ceremonies last week.

inspection of the Sanibel Fire Department with Chief Allen Nave, a lesson in emergency medical procedures and an introduction to police equipment ranging from shotguns to sirens by Sanibel Patrolman Betty Weir among other informative talks—much to the youngsters' enjoyment.

The group was then chauffeured back to city hall by their ceremonial police escort for a briefing and rap session with their official counterparts in preparation for the afternoon's events.

Next on the day's agenda was a luncheon buffet with parents and counterparts at the Sanibel Community House, where the young student governors were delightfully surprised by an unexpected visit from Miss

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

NATURAL HISTORY FIELD TRIPS: to Sanibel's wildlife habitats. For reservations, information, times and fees, call 472-2180.

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 Nodruft, 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.

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

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.

OHOLICS ANONYMOUS: St. Michael's and All Angels Church, Periwinkle Way, Fridays, 8 p.m. For information,

how to get there

BOATS (FISHING) TO RENT • Blind Pass Marina, 472-1020, Island Boat Rental, 472-2228, Tween Waters Marina, 472-1784, Tarpon Bay (canoes), 472-1323.

BOATS (SAIL) TO RENT - The Colony, 472-1424; Southwind, Inc. 472-2531.

MOTORCYCLE RENTALS - Sanibel Motorcycle Rentals, 1203 Periwinkle - 472-2001.

BICYCLES FOR RENT: Hines Rental, 472-2874 or check the motel you are staying in.

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 Wednesday of the month at 7:30 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.

Church Calendar

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Fr. Gerard Beauregard, Pastor
Fr. Ladislaus Pelczynski, Asst. Pastor
Sunday Masses
Vigil (Saturday evenings) 5:30 p.m.
Sundays 8:30, 10 & 11:30 a.m.
Other Masses
Friday Mass (1st Friday) 7:30 p.m.
Daily 8:30 a.m. & 5:30 p.m.
Holy Days (Vigil) 7:30 p.m.
Confessions before each Mass.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
The Rev. Gerald Frost, Minister
SUNDAY SERVICE:
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Worship 11:00 a.m.
Evening Services 7:00 p.m.
WEDNESDAY EVENING:
Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.

ST. MICHAEL'S AND ALL ANGELS EPISCOPAL CHURCH
The Rev. James D.B. Hubbs, Rector
SUNDAY:
Holy Communion 7:30 a.m.
1st & 3rd Sundays 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship,
2nd & 4th Sundays 9:30 a.m.

SANIBEL COMMUNITY CHURCH
The Rev. Bruce E. Milligan, Pastor
Sunday Worship Service 10 a.m.
(Nursery Provided)
Sunday School
(Kindergarten - 8th) 10 a.m.

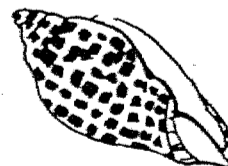
CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SERVICES
Ramada Inn (end of Donax Street)
Room 253
Sunday - 11 a.m. Wednesday - 8 p.m.

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

TEMPLE BETHEL
Del Prado Parkway, Cape Coral
Rabbi Simon Friedeman
Friday Worship 8 p.m.

SPIRITUALIST CHURCH
Rev. Nona F. Hurtado, Secretary - 639-0843
The Christian Thinkers of America, 3620
Acline Road, Punta Gorda. Worship Service
Sunday, 11:00 a.m.


THE SHEPHERD OF THE ISLANDS LUTHERAN CHURCH
The Rev. Judson H. Westgate, Pastor
472-4249
Sanibel Community Association Building
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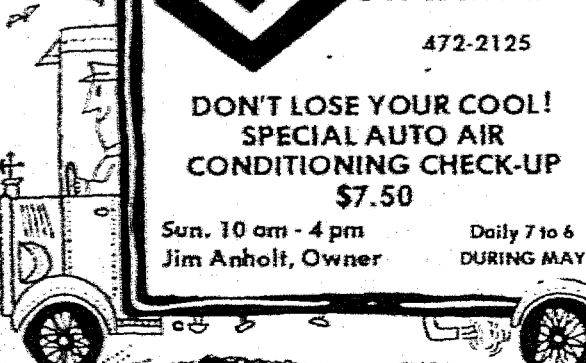
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1517 Periwinkle, Sanibel (Directly behind the 7-11.)

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IWA franchise change studied by committee

The seven-man committee appointed by the City of Sanibel and the Island Water Association to study the feasibility of changing the IWA franchise from Lee County to the City met for the first time Tuesday, May 10.

"It was basically a familiarization meeting for the committee," said IWA attorney John Schumacher, one of the members of the committee. Others include IWA General Manager Larry Snell, IWA Director John Cook, Councilman Francis Bailey, City Manager William Nungester, City Attorney Neal Bowan and Arthur Wyckoff.

At the meeting, it was decided that Schumacher and Bowen would prepare a draft of the proposed new franchise agreement for the Committee's consideration.

"It's a very exacting document," IWA Board Chairman Jim Robson told the ISLANDER, "but we are proceeding with all deliberate speed."

Condo permitted to build low; citizen no

by gwen stevenson

Sanibel Island resident Myton Ireland had his Island home plans rejected recently because they did not meet the City's requirement for the 13.5 foot elevation mandated in the City of Sanibel's Comprehensive Land Use Plan (CLUP).

A major Sanibel condominium development, however, located across the canal from Ireland's potential homesite, was granted an exception to that same rule, and has been allowed to begin construction on the last phase of eight condominium units that do not meet flood plain standards for a barrier island as set forth in the CLUP.

Mariner Pointe Condominiums, owned by Mariner Properties, Inc., received the green light from the City of Sanibel to build their units at an elevation of 10.5 feet, according to the city record. Construction began last month with an estimated completion date for the new units of early November.

Myton Ireland, owner of the Snook Apartments, was denied permission to build a home that was below the 13.5 foot elevation, although he was aware of the reasons for the guidelines and the hazard that he was taking in the event of a severe storm, he told the City Council.

"I am perfectly aware of the risk I am taking and I'm willing to take it," said Ireland. "I don't want to live in a bird cage."

Ireland said Monday that he is investigating his legal options and he is thinking of going into court about the Council's decision.

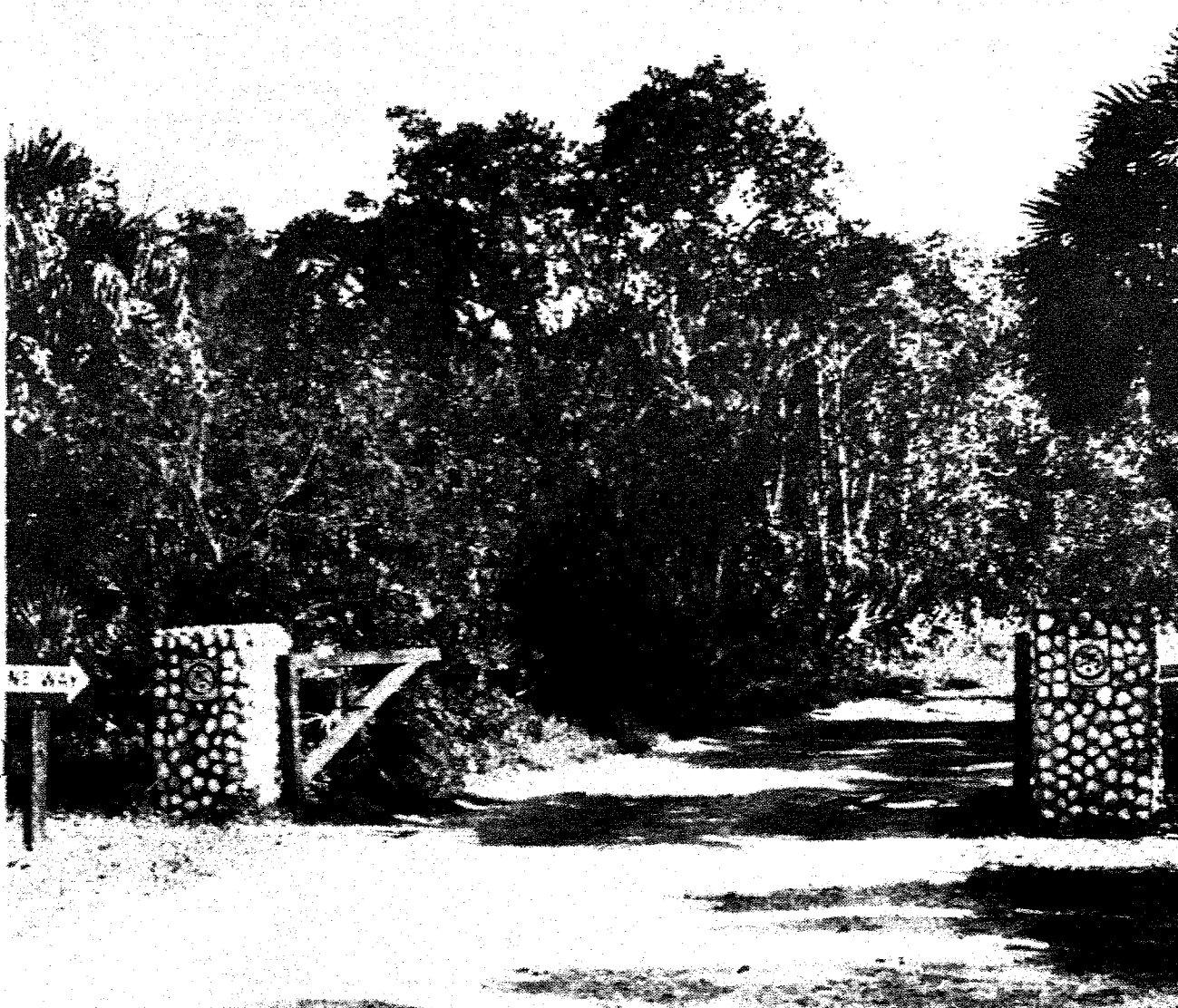
Mariner Properties, Inc., received a specific amendment to the CLUP from the City Council November 30, 1976, based on their application citing compatibility with the existing units at Mariner Pointe and the transitional nature of the case.

Ireland's request for a specific amendment to the CLUP was strongly predicated on his desire for compatibility with the other homes located on the Lighthouse Way.

Ireland pointed out that he was willing to build his home 8.5 feet higher than the existing residences and was still denied his permit, although the lower elevation would have made the house more compatible to the surrounding homeowners, whose view of the bay would be blocked by an above-grade structure.

Residents in the Lighthouse Way subdivision passed around an unsolicited and unanimous petition supporting Ireland's architectural plans.

"Absolutely none of my neighbors opposed me," Ireland told the Islander.



"Sanctuary much" for open refuge

It has rained and it has poured this last week and maybe someone even snored — but it did open up the J.N. Ding Darling wildlife refuge road for vehicular traffic.

The five-mile drive is still fairly bumpy and motorists are urged to use caution.

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Letters to the editor:

The following was given to the ISLANDER for publication:

It was a decided shock to read the reported rationale for the Florida Supreme Court's Unanimous decision on the validity of Lee County's proposed \$18 million bond issue involving the Sanibel Causeway and feeder roads to it. The shock was intensified by the awareness that it took over a year for them to arrive at their conclusion which admittedly was based upon inadequate information within the power of the Court to request.

The parochial views of six of the seven Justices is understandable since their working and legal backgrounds have been mainly confined to the Florida scene. In the relatively bucolic atmosphere prevailing in Florida during the impressionable years of those six middle-aged jurists, they were cloistered from the rapidly developing and new financing methods for public works in the pre and post WW II period. That period in the industrialized parts of the Nation needed funding innovations to cope with the Depression and war-deferred backlog of such projects.

The widely-used and marketplace acceptability of the innovated "System Financing" for Revenue Bonds came into its own during those hectic years. It was pioneered on a grand scale in a series of issues by the New York Port Authority with a variety of revenue-producing bridges, tunnels, bus and airline terminals and sundry port facilities. Basically, System Financing involves pledging as equal security for repayment of all the bonds the revenue of all the individual projects included in the system. The concept of "pari-passu" is invoked to provide that the individual project revenue is made available without regard to the nature or number of the project's users. The palpable general welfare of the public served by the System is intended to meet the "fairness" test rightfully insisted upon by our Florida Justices.

System Financing Revenue Bonds were effectively used in the recent years to provide the Nation's (including Florida's) colleges and hospitals with student housing facilities the staggering demand for which has been triggered by the G.I. Bill of Rights. Apparently, there was no judicial objection to Florida's public colleges' use of this financial tool.

Essentially, this is the method of financing contemplated by the County's proposed bond issue. It varies from the usual pattern of such Systems in that it relies mainly on the Sanibel Causeway toll revenues. It did, however, envision using local governmental revenues from other than the ad valorem property tax to cover any short-fall in Causeway revenues. This concept was tailored to a realization that Sanibel and Captiva Islands are a prime tourist attraction to Lee County; and that the entire county is affected in varying obvious degrees by the economic benefits of the resulting tourism. Remembering the ancient saying: "All roads lead to Rome," it seems logical and proper to rely on ALL arterial highways that facilitate access to the Causeway to ripen the economic fruits of the Causeway's maximum use.

Because of the vast supporting facilities needed on the Islands to satisfy the tourists and county "day trippers," a portion of the bond proceeds was allocated to Sanibel and Captiva to provide them. It was generally agreed that it would be unfair for the island taxpayers to be required to alone provide the amenities for the "chicken that lays the golden eggs" for the rest of Lee County. The palpable general welfare of the public served by the system is intended to meet the fairness test properly insisted upon by our Florida Justices in this case.

In this work-a-day world, it seems that these aspects of the proposal have been ignored. Another look by the Court is in order. Otherwise, we must insist that our imminent Constitutional Review Commission provide modern financing tools for our local government's public works programs.

-s-Paul A. Howe

A copy of the following letter was given to The ISLANDER for publication:

To the Boys and Girls who asked the Council of Sanibel City to put signs which read:

"Drive carefully, save our friends."

You probably mean the racoons who unlike cats and dogs find it hard to see at night. I love them too, those little racoons.

Because you are concerned with God's creatures, I want you to know, you can't steal an eagle egg. If you do, it can cost you \$5000, or a year in the clink. Or both. Eagles are protected by Federal law against harm or harrassment by the citizenry. The penalty for so much as stealing an egg from a nest has been stipulated by Congress.

And you can't gas a beagle - Senator Humphrey abhorred the idea of using dogs in any tests of chemical, biological or radio active warfare materials. His amendment banning use of appropriated funds for such purpose was overwhelmingly approved in the Senate and accepted by the House of Representatives. Now, however doctors are experimenting on live babies.

Because babies you can kill.

The U.S. Supreme Court has ruled it's legal to kill a baby of 8 weeks, 14 weeks, or 26 weeks or even older. The only requirements are, one, the baby still lives inside the mother, two the mother wants the baby killed, three, the doctor is willing to do the killing.

According to our U.S. Supreme Court, the word "person" as used in the Fourteenth Amendment does not include the unborn. Last year in these United States more than 1,000,000 babies were "terminated" thru abortion on demand. (These could have been your own companions in years to come, or sweethearts, or friends.) At this time, 3500 little unborn babies are killed each day. "Terminated" means killed. Killed without penalty. Unless someone got a parking ticket in front of an abortion mill.

This you should know, dear boys and girls with such kind hearts.

God bless you, and thank you.

-s- Ruth Hunter, Sanibel Island

To the editor:

I have just returned home after my 12th visit to Sanibel—home to mist, fog and cold, disagreeable weather.

I read the ISLANDER front page to back, so have read the discussions about dogs, pro and con. I bring my small dog poodle with blue ears with me, but he is never off a leash nor does he use the beach for a public bathroom.

There was an occurance that so thoroughly disgusted me that if I were going to be there longer, I would have called or contacted someone. I was staying at a motel on the beach with private road access.

Every evening about 5 p.m. two females

came in a car, parked it on the highway, came through the drive to the beach with two very big dogs.

They would no more than reach the beach before the dogs would do what they were brought there for. I could have excused that even though it made me very angry.

What really sent my blood boiling was this—there is a heron on the beach who is very stately and regal, walking up and down and paying no heed to people or they to him...

Until the females came. As soon as they got there and saw the heron (whose name is Charlie) she would let one of the dogs off the leash. It would take off in great glee to chase the bird!

Knowing how most of Sanibel feels about wildlife, I imagine it would be frowned upon. I asked the woman where they came from... one said they "were part of the community" so she didn't say anything, as if that made them immune.

The motel owners have only been there two years and maybe they don't want to make waves, but the whole thing was disgusting. There were lots of other places they could have gone.

So what can you hope for from tourists when natives act like that?

-s-Mrs. G.D. Lester Eden, New York 14059

To the editor:

Many thanks for printing my letter endorsing Paulette Burton's astute suggestion for a needed beach access from Beach Road.

Also, NO THANKS! for spotting my letter under the most gauche and poorly researched editorial you wrote about the recent public hearing on the Punta Rassa development.

Ginny, you assuredly vented your spleen on Mayor Goss in that diatribe. Your sin of omission was made obvious by the editorial's rude failure to report fully the Mayor's response to Commissioner Whan's query as to why the City had not similarly

objected to Mariner Properties' 900-unit Captiva project. You know that the speed-limit reduction on the San-Cap Road was only one facet of the Mayor's response. Your guilty conscience must remind you that the Mayor did tell the Commissioner that his concern was deep enough to seek from the Commission a conference to discuss other remedies.

You cannot really feel proud about the editorial's sophomoric badmouthing of the fledgeling City's efforts to bring law and order to the Island by: enforcement of a STATE law against nudity on the beach; modifying a COUNTY-enacted sign ordinance to better suit Sanibel's aspirations; putting more sense into a COUNTY-imposed ban on dogs on the beach; and putting some human safety features (also being considered by Florida's Legislature) into Sanibel's very active and popular bicycling-on-the-public-highways hobby.

Neither can you properly look with sober pride on your hateful innuendo that the Mayor would conspire with the Police Chief to frustrate an emergency evacuation of our Captiva neighbors by the speed limitation placed on the San-Cap Road.

Finally, I commend to you a paraphrase of the rumored reply to Sammy Davis' request for a suggested repayment of a favor done him: "Please do not put my letters on the same page as your editorials."

Ruefully,
Paul A. Howe

P.S. Another issue hit the street since the above was written. Its letters to the Editor Column contained two very constructive suggestions that should be acted upon by our County and City fathers and the Islands' resident parents of teenagers who constantly lament: What can we do? Where can we go? Our public officials should be sent copies of Paul Stahlin's very practical suggestion for a companion fixed high-span to the unreliable movable bascule one for the Sanibel Causeway. The City Council should have reprints made (for distribution) of Paula Burdon's recital of a judge's message to malcontent teenagers.

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

Aries: A good change coming related to environment. A new acquaintance could be jealous of you, so be cautious in confiding anything, especially financial matters.

Taurus: Look over advice well before taking it especially from close associates. Avoid forcing issues, for the aggressor loses. Don't overlook a chance to expand your interests.

Gemini: A change in routine that will worry you; don't assume other people's problems. Your intuition can lead you astray now. A companion will be disloyal.

Cancer: You may get into trouble over work that you haven't finished. Make a decision about a group, or settle joint property interests. Good time to entertain.

Leo: Avoid an argument in community improvement group. If you work in this, do so voluntarily. A good word from you at the right time will make a deep impression.

Virgo: You may have some bad public relations due to a problem with communicating with others. Be willing to listen and decide on things like vacation, home changes, parental needs.

Libra: Romantic issues and children's problems will be hard to resolve. Much nervous tension is likely, try to approach romance optimistically. Avoid changes.

Scorpio: Avoid speeding or carelessness while driving. Postpone a decision about a parental problem. Don't trust your feelings too far where you risk cash or resources.


Sagittarius: Try not to be so jumpy about personal limitations and problems. Don't take a stranger into your confidence. Try to get more sleep and rest; a lucky break coming at work.

Capricorn: Be careful what you say to co-workers, you can be deliberately misinterpreted. Keep long range objectives in view. You will have a tendency to be unstable or impetuous.

Aquarius: Be careful about speaking harshly to loved ones. A blunder can be made while developing new business tactics. A neighbor will be very inconsiderate.

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A small Bell helicopter, used in Lee County's Mosquito Control program met with a Friday the 13th mishap on Sanibel's airstrip.

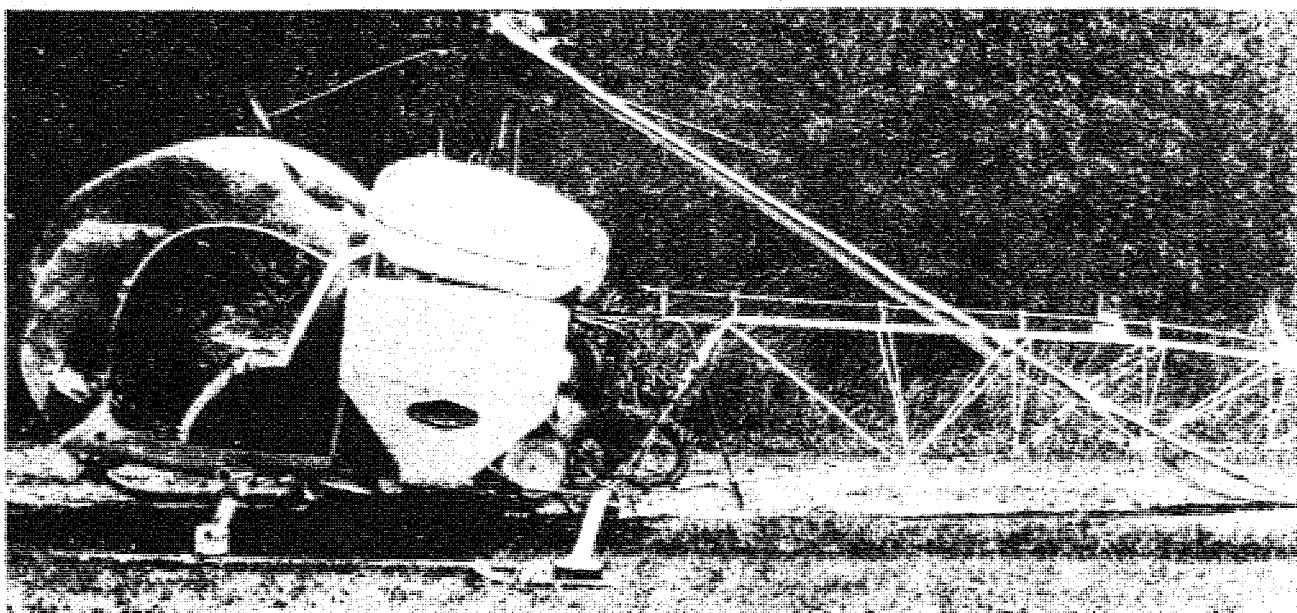
Wayne Miller, head of Lee County Mosquito Control told the ISLANDER that the helicopter was at the airport being reloaded with insecticide from a tank truck parked beside it on the airstrip. The chopper took off at the same time as a freak wind gust hit the area hurling the helicopter into the truck.

Neither the helicopter pilot, Earl Sweeney, nor the truck driver, Fred Yape (both of Mosquito Control) were hurt.

The helicopter, which suffered an estimated \$7,000 damage was removed from the field by a low-boy trailer. There were three large gashes in the tank truck which left under its own steam. Fire trucks from the Sanibel Fire Department watered down the field as a preventative measure, and the fuel was drained from the helicopter.

There were no charges filed by the Sanibel Police Department.

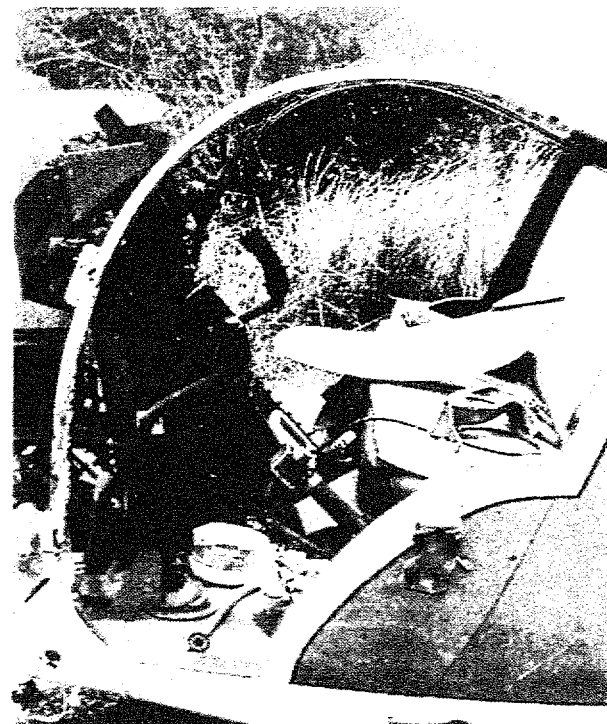
Mosquito control chopper fall down, go boom



The inside of the Lee County Mosquito Control helicopter piloted by Earl Sweeney.

Gusting winds slammed the chopper into a supply truck, but fortunately both truck driver and helicopter pilot escaped without injury.

Lee County Mosquito Control's wounded chopper. Fortunately, only the rotor blades and bubble were injured during the freak mishap.



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Personnel problems hamper city's planning effort

Early this year, the Sanibel City Council imposed a brief moratorium on the city's processing of applications for development permits pursuant to the procedures set forth in the city's comprehensive land use plan.

Their action was partially the result of the city's discovery that the fees being charged for building and development permits on Sanibel were not recovering the cost of processing the applications, and partially the result of what City Manager Bill Nungester called a "work overload" among the staff in city hall.

In January, Nungester told the council that the city hall staff was suffering from overwork and its attendant, low morale, mostly because of the inordinate amount of paperwork necessitated by the city's ambitious land use planning program, and because of the increasing demand placed upon the city's limited energies by a community spirited citizenry concerned over a cornucopia of environmental and public safety issues.

At that time, the council directed Nungester to effect a planning "slow-down" in city hall in the attempt to make Sanibel's planning effort commensurate with the financial and human resources of the city government.

Discussions in city hall of recent weeks indicate that the situation has not improved much over the past four months, and that, if anything, the city's personnel problems have become more acute, despite Nungester's efforts to streamline the bureaucratic process in city hall.

The city's administrative problems have come to the public's attention once again in light of Nungester's recent announcement that his administrative assistant, Tom Locker, is leaving the city staff.

Locker was hired as assistant to the city manager about three months ago in hopes that he would take some of the administrative load off of Nungester's shoulders.

Nungester said last week that Locker's departure was a mutual decision, and that although Locker had been a talented, hard-working employee, his prior experience as deputy controller of a large office in Orange County, Florida, has rendered him of little assistance to Nungester in the context of Sanibel's small-town government.

Friday was Locker's last day with the city, Nungester said.

"There's a need for another person to fill the vacancy, but I don't know that we're going out with our shopping bag to see what we can find," the city manager commented last week. Nungester said that the city may, however, look for someone to serve in a similar capacity on a part-time basis.

Both Nungester and the city planning commission remarked the need for additional personnel in the city's planning department last week.

At their meeting last Monday, the planning commission assessed their work load for the coming months and recognized that they will need more help if they are to perform all of the duties that are set out for them in the land use plan and by direction of the city council.

One of the most pressing and difficult chores which awaits them is an Island-wide reclassification of the ecological zones outlined in the land use plan on the basis of new aerial photographs and topographical maps of the Island which the city has obtained at considerable expense for this very purpose.

"That's a full-time job," Nungester said last week, despite the fact that city planning consultants Wallace, Roberts, McHarg and Todd of Philadelphia will assist with the ecological zone revision, also at the city's expense.

The planning commission also voiced concern last week over the apparent confusion of responsibility in city hall between themselves and the city council.

Commissioner Joe McMurtry complained of the commission's having been "passed over" by the council with respect to the current city hall site selection process and to an Island-wide traffic study which the council has asked the Sanibel-Captiva Unit of the League of Women Voters of Lee County to perform.

Commissioner George Tenney agreed with McMurtry and added that he was tired of being "second guessed by the council" in land use planning matters.

The commission as a whole expressed indignation last week that the council had rejected two corrective amendments the commission had proposed to the city's land use plan, and at the council's having referred them back to the commission for further work.

"It's getting to the point where I'm getting more and more frustrated," McMurtry said.

McMurtry asked commission Chairman Ann Winterbotham to arrange a

workshop meeting between the commission, the council and the city manager to attack the city's administrative problems head on. McMurtry suggested that the workshop be geared to improving recognized weaknesses in the city administration by defining areas of responsibility, lines of communication, and the chain of command in Sanibel City Hall.

Nungester, on the other hand, viewed the problem in terms of the city's limited office space and personnel last Monday. He said that on the whole, morale is still low among the city staff, and that because of the continuing heavy work load in city hall he is not satisfied with the city's output.

"We've got to expand our planning department," the city manager said last week. "There are a lot of jobs we could fill, but I don't think there's available money to do it in this year's budget."

Nungester said that the city may hire additional personnel on a temporary basis as a specific need

arises, but only insofar as periodic budgetary adjustments will permit.

"But I'm not even sure that will happen," he added, because of what he called the city's current "inadequate quarters" for all branches of the government.

"We can't go out and hire people even if we had the money because there's no where to put them," Nungester said. "We just have to do the best we can with what we have."

In recent months, the city's Site Selection Committee has been active in trying to recommend a site for the city to purchase on which to construct a proposed city hall office complex in the years ahead. In light of the city's current problems with trying to provide adequate office space for the city's administrative staff, fire department and police department, Nungester said last week that he thinks the work of the Site Selection Committee is of particular importance.

In an attempt to remedy

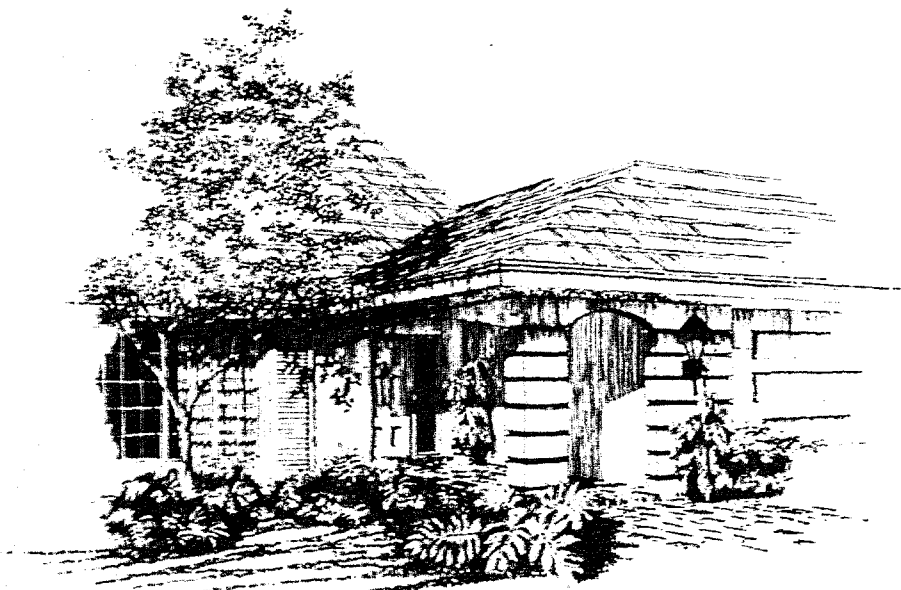
the continuing overload on the city planning department, however, Nungester said last week that the city may soon combine the related public service branches of planning, inspection and maintenance into a "Department of Community Development" under a single director who would of necessity be skilled in organization and public relations.

While emphasizing that the idea had not yet been confirmed by the city council, Nungester suggested that this might be a means of better coordination of the city's planning and road maintenance programs, among other areas of the city administration.

"Still, I don't think we'll see any relief until the next budget," said Nungester. "Politically, city hall isn't a very important thing to most residents of the community."

Politically, the subject of city hall may become more important to Sanibel taxpayers in the years ahead if the demand for planning and related public services on Sanibel continues to outstrip the city's physical and financial wherewithal to meet it.

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The week's TV schedule

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weekdays - through 6:30 p.m.

6:00
20-Spanish Newscast

6:04
20-Gulf Coast Today

6:08
20-The Lucy Show

6:38
20-Gulf Coast Today

6:45
11-Morning Devotions

6:48
11-Reports: Social Security, Dept. of Agriculture, Division of Forestry

6:51
11-WINK Informacast

6:53
11-Spanish News

7:00
11-CBS Morning News

7:00
11-CBS Morning News

20-Today
26-Good Morning America

7:25
11-Local News

20-Today in Florida

7:30
11-CBS Morning News

8:00
11-Captain Kangaroo

8:25
20-Today in Florida

9:00
11-Sesame Street

20-Donahue

26-Sunshine Showcase:
Tues.: "Picnic," William Holden (1956);
Wed.: "Pal Joey," Rita Hayworth, Frank Sinatra (1957); Thurs.:
"On The Waterfront,"
Marlon Brando (1954);
Fri.: "Jeanne Eagles,"
Kim Novak, Jeff Chandler (1957); Mon.,
May 23: A Half Hour
With Jungle Larry in
Naples; Tues.:
"Salome," Rita Hayworth (1953).

9:30
26-Peter Gunn (Monday Only)

10:00
11-Merv Griffin

20-Sanford & Son

26-A Psychic Called Elizabeth (Monday Only)

10:30
20-Hollywood Squares

10:58
20-NBC News Minute

11:00
20-Wheel of Fortune

26-Happy Days

11:30
11-Love of Life

20-Shoot For The Stars

26-Family Feud

11:55
11-CBS Mid-Day News

11:58
20-NBC News Minute

12 Noon
11-News Eleven

20-Name That Tune

26-Second Chance

12:30
11-Search For Tomorrow

20-Lovers and Friends

26-Ryan's Hope

12:58
20-NBC News Minute

1:00
11-The Young & The Restless

20-The Gong Show

26-All My Children

1:30
11-As The World Turns

20-Days of Our Lives

2:00
26-\$20,000 Pyramid

2:30
11-The Guiding Light

20-The Doctors

26-One Life To Live

2:58
20-NBC News Minute

3:00
11-All In The Family

20-Another World

3:30
11-Match Game '77

3:15
26-General Hospital

3:58
20-NBC News Minute

4:00
11-Tattletales

20-Bewitched

26-The Edge of Night

4:30
11-Mike Douglas Show

20-Hogan's Heroes

26-Dialing For Follars:
Tues.: "Serpent of The Nile," Raymond Burr;
Wed.: "Afterschool Special - Pineballs;"
Thurs.: "Comanche Station," Randolph Scott; Fri.: "Mad Magician," Vincent Price; Mon., May 23:
"Tall T.," Randolph Scott.

5:00
20-Emergency One!

6:00
11-News Eleven

20-Eyewitness News

26-NewsScene

6:30
11-CBS News

20-NBC News

26-ABC News

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7:00
11-Match Game P.M.

20-Adam 12

26-To Tell The Truth

7:30
11-Andy Williams

20-Hollywood Squares

26-Bobby Vinton

8:00
11-McLaren's Riders

20-"The Man From Atlantis - Part III - The Killer Spores"

26-Happy Days

8:30
26-Laverne & Shirley

9:00
11-M.A.S.H.

26-Rich Man, Poor Man

9:30
11-One Day At A Time

10:00
11-Kojak

20-The Best of Police Story

11:00
11-News Eleven

20-Eyewitness News

26-NewsScene

11:30
11-CBS Late Movie: Peter Falk as Columbo in "Dagger of The Mind" with guest star Richard Basehart.


20-The Tonight Show

26-ABC Tuesday Movie: "The Night Stranglers" 1 a.m.

20-The Tomorrow Show

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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-NBC Double Feature Movie of The Week: "Pine Canyon Is Burning," with Kent McCord as a widowed fire fighter with two children who runs a fire-rescue station in

California and (at 9:30) "Cover Girls," in which Cornelia Sharpe, Jayne Kennedy and Vince Edwards star as high fashion models who are spies and a mob connected runaway they're supposed to capture.

26-Archie

9:00 Approx.
11-CBS News Minute

20-NBC News Minute

9:00
11-CBS Wednesday Movie: "Red Alert" a suspenseful thriller about a nuclear power plant

accident and its horrible possibilities.

26-Charlie's Angels 11:00

11-News Eleven

20-Eyewitness News

26-NewsScene 11:30

11-CBS Late Movie: Jack Lord as the best in Hawaii in "V For Vashon"

20-The Tonight Show

26-"The Rookies" & ABC Mystery Movie: "Halfway To Danger" 1 a.m.

20-The Tomorrow Show

thursday-7 p.m. till sign-off

7:00
11-Masquerade Party

20-Adam 12

26-To Tell The Truth

7:30
11-The Muppets

20-Hollywood Squares

26-Victory at Sea

8:00
11-The Waltons

20-"Predator" with Robert Redford as narrator

26-Welcome Back, Kotter!

8:30
26-What's Happening?

9:00 Approx.
11-CBS News Minute

20-NBC News Minute

9:00
11-Hawaii Five-O

20-Hollywood High

26-Barney Miller

9:30
20-NBC Thursday Movie: "The Deadly Triangle" in which an Olympic skier turned sheriff has to find a murderer in Sun Valley.

10:00
11-Barnaby Jones

26-Streets of San Francisco

11:00
11-News Eleven

20-Eyewitness News

26-NewsScene

11:30
11-CBS Late Movie: Double Feature - Kojak in "A Long Way From Times Square," and James Farentino and Ray Milland in "Cool Million: Hunt For A Lonely Girl!"

20-The Tonight Show

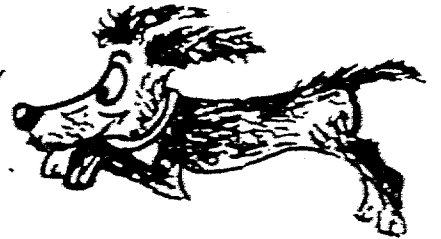
26-ABC Thursday Night Special: Rona Looks at Cape Jackson, Penny Marshall, Toni Tenille and Cindy Williams 1 a.m.

20-The Tomorrow Show 1:30

26-Streets of San Francisco

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| 7:00
11-Hee Haw
20-Adam 12
26-To Tell The Truth | 7:30
20-The New Candid Camera
26-Nashville On The Road | 8:00
11-Code R
20-Sanford & Son - Conclusion of "The Hawaiian Connection"
26-Donny & Marie | 8:30
20-NBC Friday Movie: Jimmy Stewart in Billy Wilder's biography of Charles (Lucky) Lindbergh in "The Spirit of St. Louis"
9:00 Approx.
11-CBS News Minute
20-NBC News Minute | 9:00
11-CBS Friday Movie: "Brannigan" with John Wayne, Richard Attenborough, Judy Geeson and Mel Ferrer in the detective story of Big Jim B. who finds London quite a different place to hunt for a gangster in hiding than the more familiar Chicago crime scene.
26-ABC Friday Movie: "Delta Easy, USA" | 11:00
11-News Eleven
20-Eyewitness News
26-NewsScene | 11:30
11-NBA Playoff Game | 12:40
20-The Tonight Show
26-Baretta | 12:40
26-Friday Night Theater: (All Night Movies till 7 a.m.) "To Love A Vampire," Ralph Bates (91 mins.); "The Tenth Victim," Ursula Andress (98 mins.); "Thief of Bagdad," Steve Reeves (89 mins.); "Wonders of Aladdin," Donald O'Conner (93 mins.). | 1 a.m.
20-The Midnight Special |
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| 6:57
11-Morning Devotional | 7:00
11-Music & The Spoken Word | 7:30
20-The Lucy Show
26-Big Valley | 8:00
11-Sylvester & Tweety
20-Woody Woodpecker
26-"Tom & Jerry" and "Mumbly Show" | 8:30
11-Clue Club
20-Pink Panther Laugh and a Half Show
26-Jabber Jaw |
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| 8:55
26-Schoolhouse Rock | 9:00
11-"Bugs Bunny" and "Roadrunner" Hour | 9:00
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-Korffts Supershow | 11:00
11-"Shazam" & "Isis" Hour
20-"Space Ghost" and "Frankenstein Jr." | 11:30
20-Big John, Little John
26-Super Friends | 11:55
26-Schoolhouse Rock | 12 Noon
11-Fat Albert & The Cosby Kids
20-Land Of The Lost
26-The Oddball Couple | 12:25
26-Schoolhouse Rock | 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
11-What's It All About - Miss, Mrs. or Ms.?? The first and last being as good as a mile.
26-Dolly | 2:00
11-The Muppets
20-Champ Fla. Wrestling
26-TV 26 Afternoon Feature Film: "Behold A Pale Horse," starring Gregory Peck | 2:15
20-Major League Baseball '77 | 2:30
11-I Spy | 3:30
11-Memorial Tournament | 4:00
26-ABC Wild World of Sports | 5:00
11-CBS Sports Spectacular
20-Semi-Final round of the Italian Open Tennis Championship live by satellite from the Foro Italico in Rome. | 6:00
11-News Eleven | 6:30
11-CBS Evening News
20-Eyewitness News
26-Peter Marshall Variety | 7:00
11-Lawrence Welk
20-Jacques Costeau and the world of wet. | 8:00
11-Mary Tyler Moore
20-Circus Lions, Tigers and Melessias, too, in which Melissa Sue Anderson and Melissa Gilbert of Little House on The Prairie take us on a close-up tour of the Best of The Big Cat acts from circuses around the world.
26-Mrs. Blansky's Beauties | 8:30
11-Bob Newhart
26-Fish | 9:00
11-All In The Family
20-NBC Saturday Movie: "Spectre," in which an American criminologist and his physician associate embark for England to unravel a web of the supernatural all tied up with fortune.
26-Starsky & Hutch |
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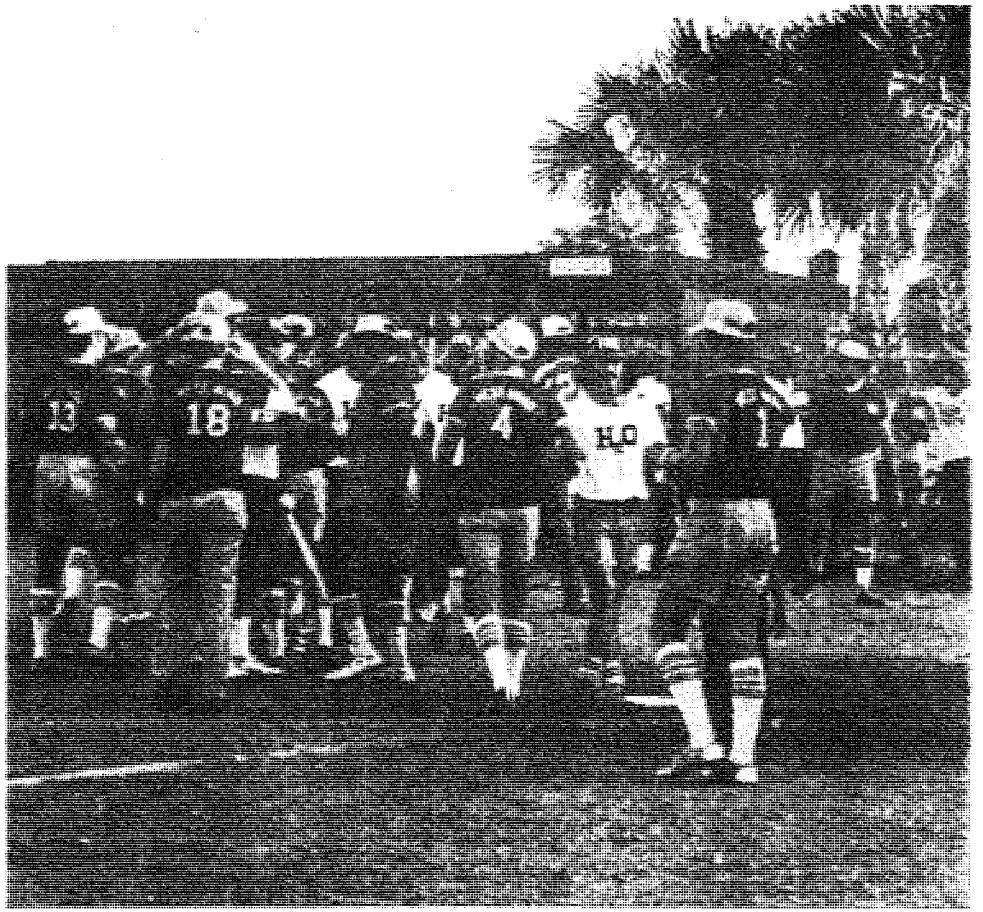
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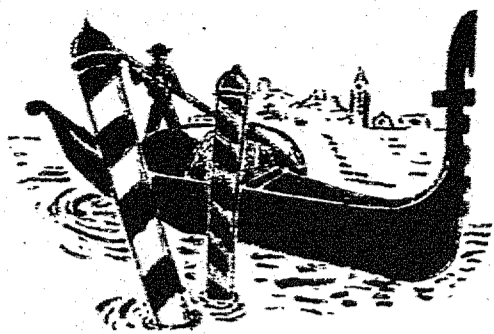
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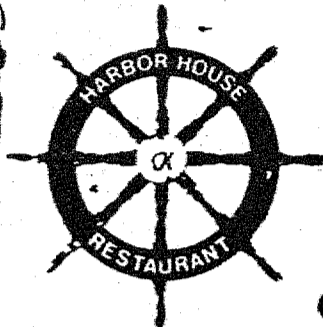
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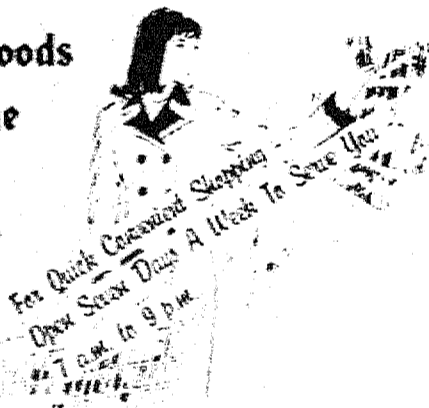
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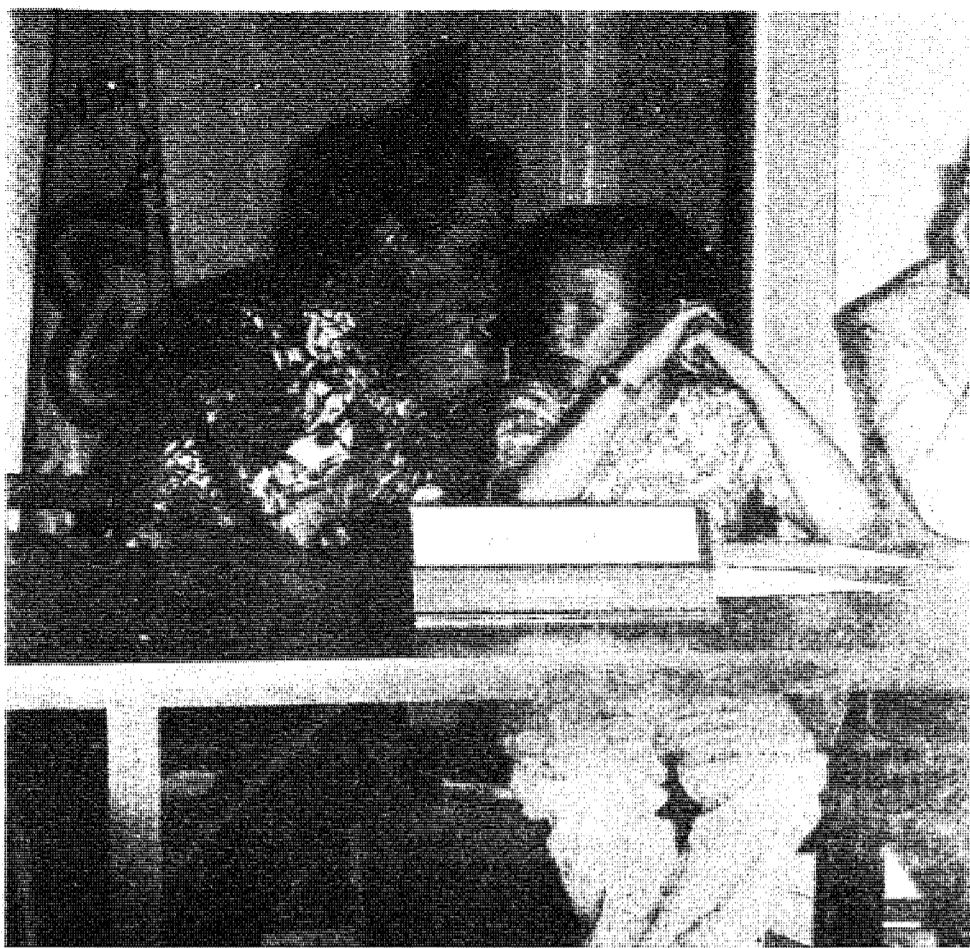
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Councilmen Charles LeBuff and young Barry Frey in flagrant violation of the "Student Sunshine Law" on Student Government Day. The law dictates that people who don't know what they're talking about should do it in public and not whisper among themselves, according to Student City Attorney Ellen Berris.

**Sanibel Community
Church plans to expand,
CLUP permitting**

Banks Prevatt, chairman of the board of directors of the Sanibel Community Church, told the ISLANDER Sunday that the Church congregation had approved plans to expand the Church's seating capacity and to add the major addition of a fellowship hall to the Church for youth groups and other church-oriented activities.

"Much credit really goes to building committee chairman Dave Davenport," said Prevatt, "and the building committee. They really did their homework." The Committee has been studying the proposed expansion since the beginning of the year.

The projected expansion will cost in the neighborhood of \$150,000, which will be solicited from the congregation and interested friends of the Church.

The current seating capacity is about 300, estimated Prevatt, and during the season, the number of church-goers have approximated 500 for both services.

"The additional seating capacity is expected to be ready by mid-December," said Prevatt, "with the balance of the full build-out slated for completion in early 1978.

"Of course, all this depends on our ability to receive a special amendment to the City of Sanibel's Comprehensive Land Use plan," said Prevatt. "There is nothing in the current provisions of the CLUP covering a case like ours. If all goes smoothly, though, we should be under way in 90 days."

General bids have not been dispatched but Fenton, White and Associates will be doing the architectural design.

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Student government *from page one*



Despite her speedy rise to prominence in the city government, a chat with Miss Lillian was still the high point of the day for student Mayor Tanya Machold.



Student Mayor Tanya Machold with a memento of Student Government Day, 1977—The Sanibel comprehensive land use plan.

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by
rich arthurs*



Student Police Chief Jonathan Miller reported on youth's concern over the safety of cyclists on Sanibel's bike path during a mock city council session last Wednesday.



Miss Lillian's visit was the highlight of the day for the student officials last Wednesday.



Maid and matriarch: Miss Lillian took a fancy to student Planning Commissioner Anne Kennedy.



Youthful Vice-Mayor Brett Vartdal confers with his official counterpart, Zee Butler, on an issue of pressing importance for the student council.

Student Planning Commission Chairman Anne Kennedy cited the city's need for additional public beach access and recreational facilities as an area for the student council's immediate attention, while in a related youth concern, Student Police Chief Jonathan Miller proposed that the city paint yellow striping along the edge of Periwinkle Way next to the bike path to let motorists know that the path is reserved for cyclists and pedestrians. In some instances, the young council's wisdom outshone that of their elder counterparts as in the case of the student council's 3-2 vote to do away with the city regulation requiring bike flags for all bicycles ridden on Sanibel pursuant to a motion made by Councilman Tom Carberry. In another area where the youngsters' views differed from those of Sanibel's city fathers, the student

legislators told Acting City Manager Allyson Turner that they would welcome the advent of a game room on Sanibel. Although the young bureaucrats generally wreaked havoc with Robert's Rules of Order throughout the mock council session, the highlight of the afternoon came when Councilman Peter Slosson asked City Attorney Ellen Berris whether or not an animal control ordinance proposed by the city's Public Health Committee is legally defensible. "The ordinance is defensible," replied the student barrister, "but it's wrong!" When the meeting was adjourned by Mayor Machold, all of the participants in this year's Student Government Day on Sanibel received a commemorative 1977 silver dollar and a copy of Sanibel's comprehensive land use plan

as mementos of their day as city officials. Mayor Porter Goss said that the council decided on the land use plan as a gift for the students because it represents "the way this generation thinks the city should grow," while saying that he hoped the plan would serve as a guide for the youngsters to consider when their turn to take the reins of government on Sanibel rolls around. Island students participating in the day's events included Tanya Machold, Mayor; Brett Vartdal, Vice-Mayor; Peter Slosson, Councilman; Barry Frey, Councilman; Tom Carberry, Councilman; Anne Kennedy, Planning Commission Chairman; Jon Zelip, Building Inspector; Laura Creagh, City Recorder; Jonathan Miller, Chief of Police; Jim Toomey, Fire Chief; Paul Niedentohl, City Planner; Ellen

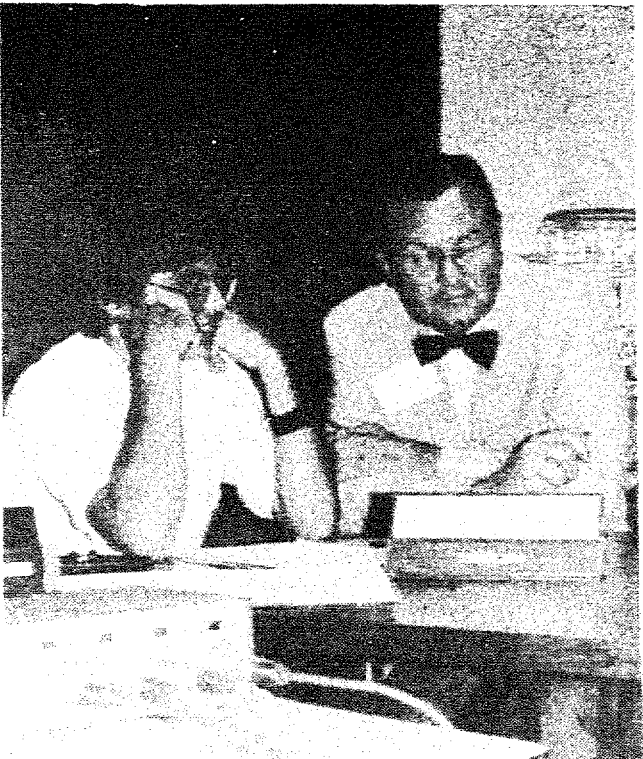
Berris, City Attorney; and Scott Goode, Public Service Director. The student participants were selected from a group of about 30 entrants in a city-sponsored Student Government Day Essay Contest in which each was asked to write an essay on "How I would like to serve my city." The day's festivities were coordinated by Susan Siler, a third grade teacher at the Sanibel Elementary School, with the assistance of the Junior Community Association. Island students who have yet to participate in this annual event can still look forward to taking part in this popular learning experience in the years ahead, although it is doubtful whether any future event could match the excitement of Sanibel Student Government Day, 1977, on which the First Mother of the United States paid the Islands a visit.



City Attorney Neal Bowen tutored youthful barrister Ellen Berris in current legal issues in the city.



Student City Manager Allyson Turner was as attentive to the city's problems as her elder counterpart, Bill Nungester.



Student Councilman Peter Slosson learned the finer points of Robert's Rules of Order from Sanibel legislator Duane White.




Mayor Goss informed the Island students of the ups and downs in the day of a city legislator.



The young Islanders loved their ceremonial escort for the Student Government Day—the S.P.D. jeep.



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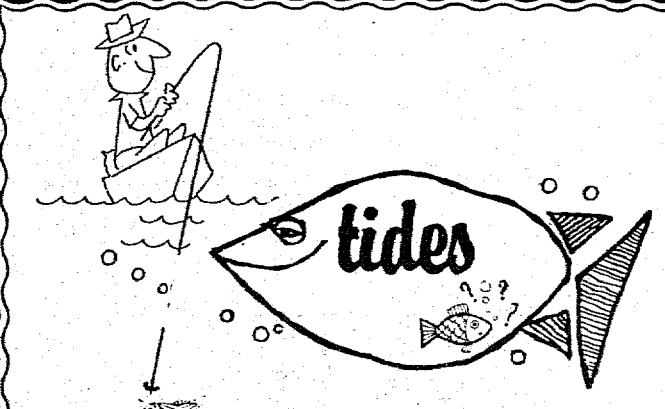
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Tuesday, May 17 — Monday, May 23

DAY	DATE	PLACE	TIME	VISITORS	HOME
Tue.	May 17	Beach	7:30	Sanibel Tigers	Bobbi-Del Cards
Tue.	May 17	Sanibel	5:30	Sanibel Yankees	Sanibel Astros
Wed.	May 18	Beach	5:30	Beach Bank Royals	Rotary Red Sox
Wed.	May 18	Beach	7:30	Sanibel Indians	Kelly's Athletics
Thu.	May 19	Beach	5:30	Sanibel Dodgers	Lions Aux. Angels
Thu.	May 19	Sanibel	5:30	Sanibel Yankees	Lions Cubs
Fri.	May 20	Beach	5:30	Lions Mets	Kiwanis Orioles
Fri.	May 20	Beach	7:30	Beach Bank Royals	Kiwanis Pirates
Fri.	May 20	Sanibel	5:30	Sanibel Astros	Rotary Red Sox
Sat.	May 21	Beach	9:00	Carlos Bay Braves	Lions Cubs
Sat.	May 21	Sanibel	9:00	Bobbi-Del Cards	Sanibel Tigers
Sat.	May 21	Sanibel	11:00	Kelly's Athletics	Sanibel Indians
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Mon.	May 23	Beach	5:30	Sanibel Giants	Kiwanis Orioles
Mon.	May 23	Beach	7:30	Sanibel Yankees	Kiwanis Pirates
Mon.	May 23	Sanibel	5:30	Lions Mets	Sanibel Dodgers



tides

for sanibel and captiva islands

MAY

Day	Date	1:34 AM H	6:18 AM L	**12:01 PM H	8:10 PM L
Tue	17	1:34 AM H	6:18 AM L	**12:01 PM H	8:10 PM L
Wed	18	2:16 AM H	6:35 AM L	**12:29 PM H	8:45 PM L
Thu	19	2:53 AM H	6:59 AM L	**12:58 PM H	9:19 PM L
Fri	20	3:32 AM H	7:24 AM L	** 1:29 PM H	9:56 PM L
Sat	21	4:17 AM H	8:02 AM L	** 2:07 PM H	10:38 PM L
Sun	22	5:09 AM H	8:44 AM L	** 2:49 PM H	11:23 PM L
Mon	23	6:02 AM H	9:43 AM L	3:41 PM H	---

Tides courtesy of Priscilla Murphy, Realtor, Inc.

Conversion table: The above tides are for the lighthouse point of Sanibel only. To convert for Redfish Pass (north tip of Captiva), add 55 minutes to the time shown for every hi-tide, subtract two (2) minutes for every low tide. (NO, we don't know know why, but it works. Instructions following are even less sense-sical but as we stated, they do work.)

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

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

In between these points on gulf or bay guesstimate and have good fishing and or sailing.

on the water . . .

with mike fuery

Being a person who always has an ear out for a good fishing story, I got a dandy the other day from a guy who claims to be able to catch trout with his bare hands—and had three to prove his point.

I tend to give light regard to such accounts, but one day last week at the marina, I rented a skiff to a man and his wife who motored off into the morning. They did not have fishing outfits, spear guns or nets. Four hours later they docked and walked up to the office to show me three legal sized trout neatly packaged in a plastic bag and without a mark on any one of them.

"How did you get them?" I asked, to which the rather large man looked at me and grinned. "We use chum for bait and when they get close I grab them," he said.

His wife, standing next to him, smiled and nodded in agreement with the story. I have fallen for these stories before, but naturally I am improving my built-in bull feathers detector and proceeded to register a rather loud, "Oh, come on. Somebody give them to you?"

He gave me the same story in all seriousness. I even think he was a little bit hurt to see that I was not buying his story of chumming for sea trout and then catching them by hand. But he stuck to his story.

You know, just between us, I'm not so sure now that he didn't catch those fish with his hands.

On another subject, perhaps you have noticed that there are more and more various kinds of rays (fish type) showing up along the coast and in Pine Island Sound. That means that if you have not perfected your "sting ray shuffle," you better get busy learning the steps before the sharp barb from a startled ray lashes your legs.

The shuffle was learned quickly and well long ago by most of us, but if you are new here, the shuffle means



Sea captain of all he can see...

pushing your feet through the sand while walking the shallows. Don't pick up your feet to step as you would on land, because you could come down on a ray. Shuffling gives the roundish, flat creatures with the whip tails time to see (actually to hear the vibrations of you) you and get away from their nests. As they lay mostly covered with sand and are sand colored for the most part, they are difficult to see.

Boaters also have a problem with rays this time of year. The rays often travel in groups, a few feet or inches below the surface. One boat pulled into the marina the other day and the skipper said he had hit a ray. He said the water turned red with blood. That's unfortunate, but the fast moving, low profile powerboats don't allow the captain to see down into the water to spot and avoid rays ahead. Most of us slow down and give these wandering

schools of rays plenty of room to pass. They can be discovered when the wing tips break surface.

Speaking of sea related hazzards, barnacles and I have never gotten along very well and we had another bout recently. I accidentally lowered the barnacle covered edge of a boat to the top of my knee. I had an instant infection, along with a hot stinging pain.

A trip to the doctor, a bottle of pills and a shot (of medicine) stopped what could have been a nasty, spreading infection. The doctor said barnacle and oyster cuts are difficult to clean and treat because of the way the slicing edges can cut the skin. One fella told me later that his home method of treatment calls for soaking the wound in salt water for long periods. That tends to make one water logged.

Anyway, if you can avoid the rays and the barnacles, see if you can find a way to catch trout by hand and let me know how to do it, will you?

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

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A five-pound sea trout won John Smuclovsky of Captiva first place in that division last week in the Island Open Fishing Derby. The fish was caught at Redfish Pass, using pinfish bait. A morning trip to Blind Pass netted Philadelphia Dave Scott an 18-pound snook. Scott caught his 1st prize winner with a rebel lure.

The redfish plaudits went to Paul Alongi of Rochelle, Ill. He hooked a nine-pounder at mid-day with Capt. Duke Sells in Pine Island Sound using shrimp for bait.

There were no entries in the cobia category this week.

The Grand Prize Standings through May 8 look like this:

Sea trout: 6 lb. Robert Muscillo, New York.

Snook: 29 lb., 12 oz. Codman Hislop, Captiva.

Redfish: 9 lb., 2 oz. Bob Hepler, Sidney Ohio.

Cobia: 18 lb. 5 oz. Steve Reynolds, Sanibel.

Junior Angler: No entries.

A 49-pound cobia was caught last week but the angler wasn't registered for the Derby. Don't be a loser when you can be a winner. Register at the Chamber of Commerce office on Causeway Road, the Bait Box on Periwinkle Way, the Real Eel in the Sanibel Center Shopping Center, Hook, Line and Sink in Punta Ybel Plaza or any Island marina. The registration fee is \$3.

There were an additional 45 registrations last week, bringing the total to 162 for the first three weeks. This is 30 more than the entire total for the 1976 Derby.

At the close of the Derby, 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 (redfish) and teh Beachcomber Motel (cobia). The best junior angler will get a free week's vacation at Castaways resort at Blind Pass.

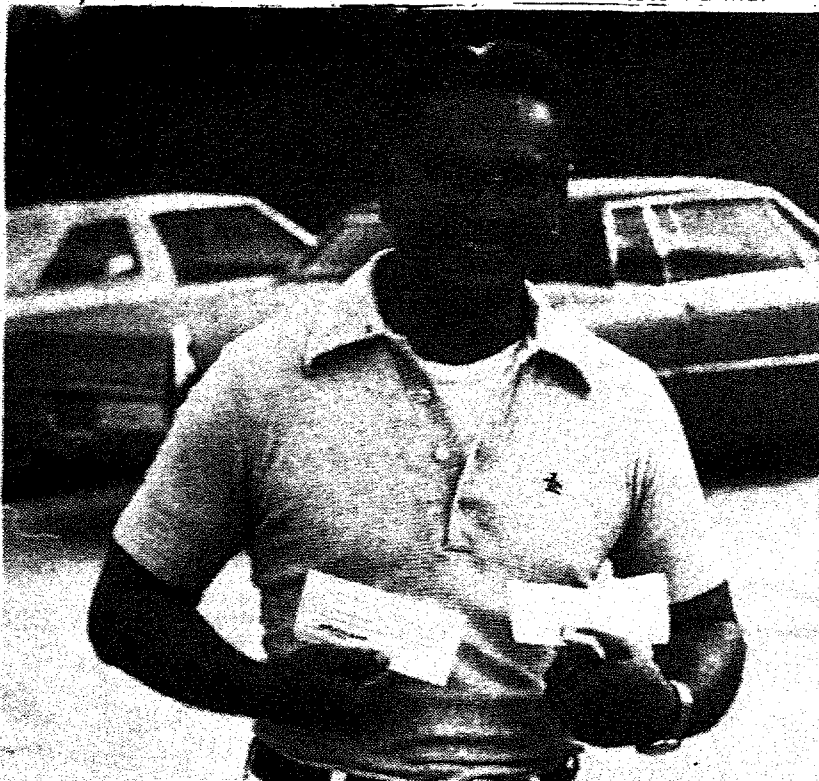
Every registered Derby contestant attending the award presentation last Tuesday evening received a Buck's Custom Lure, courtesy Buck Beverly Bait Co., a floating buoy key chain and license holder, courtesy Hook, Line and Sink and a two-foot folding measuring rule from the Real Eel.

Lucky number drawing winners were: Doreen Slitor: \$10 gift certificate from the Real Eel, Cheryl Fulton: \$10 gift certificate, dinner for two or more from the Castaways Restaurant, Carter Leslie: 220-yard spool and Lucille Fulton: Adjustable boat and pier rod holder from Moss Marina.

This week's fishing derby



David Scott, a guest at Blind Pass Cottages, and his prize snook.



Island angler Sing Tongyai's 2 pound, 4 ounce seatrout and 14 pound, 8 ounce snook netted him two \$25 weekly second prizes last Tuesday evening in the Island Open Fishing Derby.

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Before undertaking any physical activity program, you should have a thorough medical examination. This is especially important for persons over 40 or for anyone who has not been physically active on a regular basis.

Who pays for recreation lands

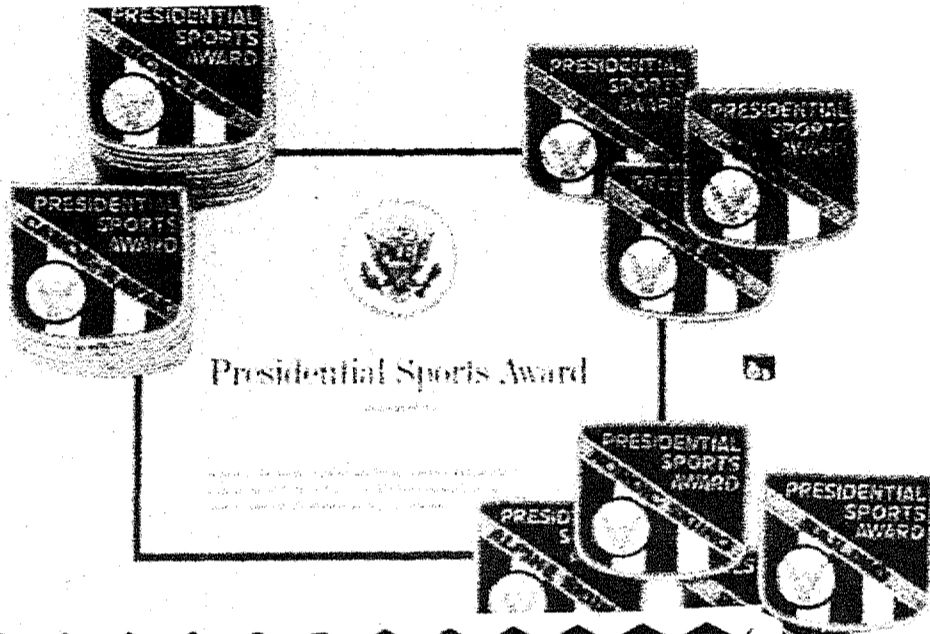
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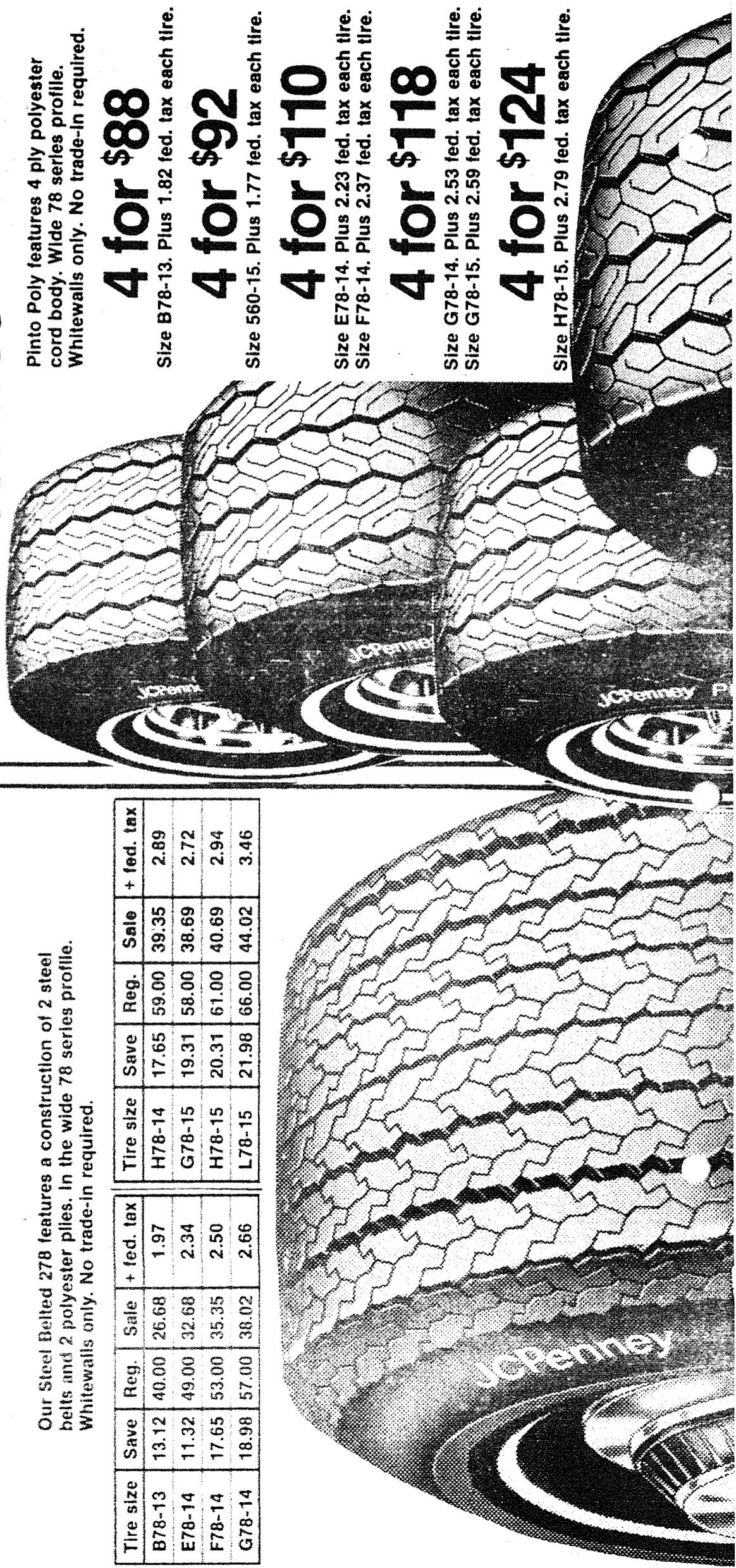
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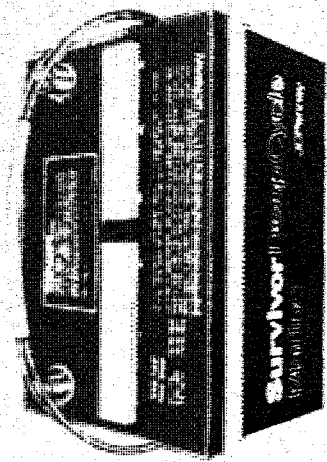


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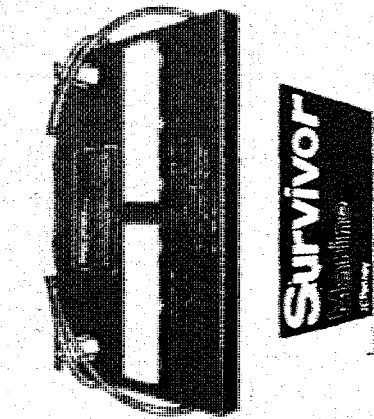
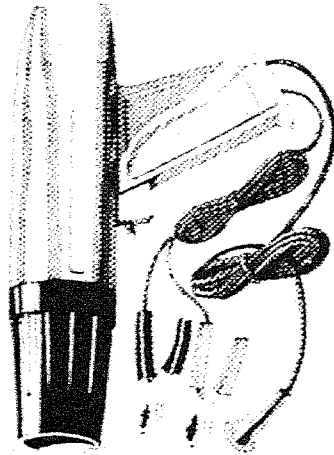
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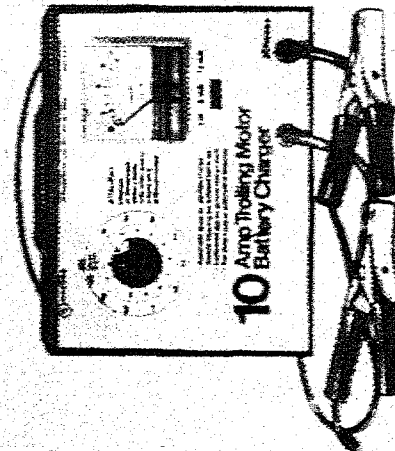
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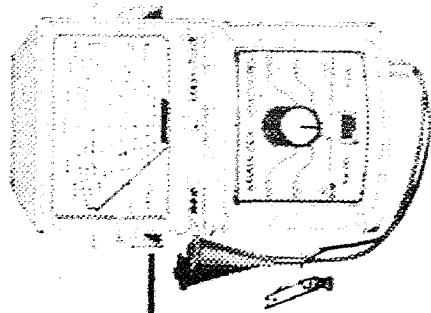
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More than 25 years ago it became evident that the quality of sport fishing and the success of fish management programs were severely hampered by financial problems. Fishing opportunities had to be improved, but who would pay for it?

In 1950, the nation's fishermen, in cooperation with fishing tackle manufacturers, worked with Congressman John Dingell of Michigan and Senator Edwin Johnson of Colorado to successfully develop the Federal Aid in Fish Restoration Act, popularly known now as the Dingell-

Johnson or D-J Act. This program provides for a self-imposed, 10 percent manufacturer's excise tax on rods, reels, creels, and artificial lures, baits and flies. The money collected is given back to the states for worthwhile programs and projects such as improving lake environments, building lakes, improving stream habitat and fish populations, and new spawning areas. Through the years, every state in the union has benefited from the foresight and planning of the original legislation.

In assuring that sport fishermen enjoy fishing and recreation, more than \$180 million—\$20 million in 1975 alone—has been paid by fishing tackle manufacturers to the Federal government, earmarked for the state's programs. Also helping fishermen, is the fact that state fish and game departments have cooperated with the D-J program to publish infor-

mation on when and how to fish; maps of the lakes and streams; provided boat launching and ramp facilities and access to public waters; and insured protection of fishing sites and lakes for fishermen.

Certainly, the challenge of providing the highest quality of sport fishing possible is a tremendous job. Fishermen have "paid their way" and are increasingly doing their part to assure better fishing.

But, the job will never be really done and "stop gap" efforts for fish restoration which are usually poorly-financed must be avoided in view of the real solutions of fact-finding research and money which allow the job to be done properly, notes Thomas R. Schedler, executive vice president, American Fishing Tackle Manufacturers Association.

What does the future hold for fish management, and what role will the Dingell-Johnson program and fishing tackle manufacturers play?

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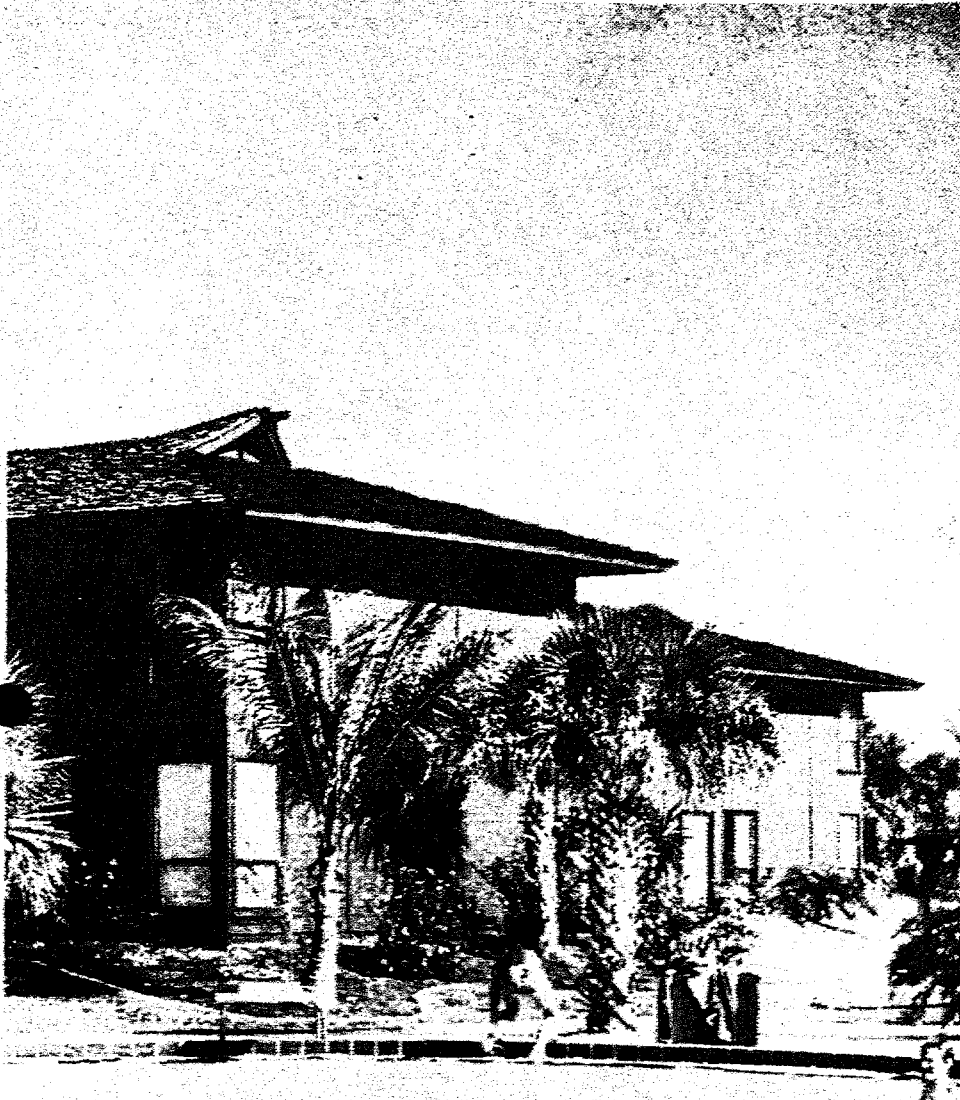
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City planners approve amendment for Bayous

At their meeting last Monday morning in MacKenzie Hall, the Sanibel Planning Commission voted unanimously to recommend that the city council approve a general amendment to the city's land use plan granting Nationwide Realty Corporation a slight density increase for their 208-acre Sanibel Bayous Subdivision off Sanibel-Captiva Road near its intersections with Bowman's Beach and Wulfert Roads.

On April 26, Nationwide attorney Steve Belgemo appeared before the commission to present a proposed general amendment to the plan which would have entitled the developers to 270 additional dwelling units for Sanibel Bayous and complete build-out of the subdivision as approved by Lee County prior to the city's incorporation.

A strict application of the development intensity allocated to Sanibel Bayous in the city's land use plan would entitle Nationwide to only 15 additional units for the entire tract, according to city Planning Director Carleton Ryffel.

The disparity between Nationwide's plans and the city's plan is currently in litigation, although Circuit Court Judge Jack Schoonover recently dismissed the developers' suit against the city for the third time because of Nationwide's "failure to exhaust their administrative remedies within the city" before seeking a judicial waiver of the land use plan's provisions.

To satisfy the court's wishes, Nationwide applied for a general amendment to the plan and presented their case to the planning commission on April 26.

At that meeting, Helgemo told the commission that the developers would settle for nothing less than total build-out of Sanibel Bayous as platted under Lee County standards of the time because of their "vested rights" in the project. He asked commissioners to recommend either approval or denial of the request immediately so that Nationwide could "get on with the lawsuit."

The commission, however, voted to continue the hearing in order to study the matter and work up an alternate proposal, which was prepared primarily by Ryffel and city consulting attorney Charles Siemon.

Their proposal called for the city to give Nationwide a density credit for a 16.7-acre peninsula of wetlands projecting into Clam Bayou and for 7.3 acres of mangrove fringe along Clam Bayou, with the density credit to be applied to other areas of the subdivision pursuant to the clustering provisions contained in the land use plan.

By dedicating the sensitive peninsula and mangrove areas as open space, Nationwide could develop about 25 additional 2-acre lots elsewhere in Sanibel Bayous, Ryffel proposed.

According to Ryffel, this application of the clustering concept would give Nationwide a total of 32 additional dwelling units for the subdivision as a whole, with 104 lots in Sanibel Bayous already sold, according to Helgemo.

Under the land use plan, a single-family home can be built on any individual lot which was purchased from the developer prior to July 8, 1976.

"It is my feeling that our planners' proposal is something the people of Sanibel can live with," said Commissioner George Tenney in moving for the commission to recommend approval of the compromise proposed

by Ryffel.

His motion passed unanimously, and the proposed general amendment will now be heard twice by the city council before it can be adopted into law.

"The petitioners would like to approach this matter with an open mind," Helgemo commented last Monday, "although I would respectfully say that what has been proposed here may or may not be acceptable to my clients."

called the city land use plan's allocation of 17 units to the total subdivision "a discrimination in the application of the plan," and asked why Sea Oats wasn't given a 2.2 units per acre density allocation like other "Modern Platted Subdivisions" on the Island.

Commissioners explained that criteria such as ecological zone,

for ethical reasons, he said.

"Because of this developer's responsibility, we didn't have the ownership patterns of other subdivisions," Haverfield told the commission. "I fail to see how the pattern of ownership becomes a consideration."

"In my opinion, you've punished this developer for being responsible," he



Virginia South Corporation President Charles H. Smith (left) and attorney William Haverfield (right) appeared before the Sanibel Planning Commission last Monday to request the planners' approval of a proposed general amendment to the plan to permit the development of 140

units on the 70-acre Sea Oats Subdivision west of Rabbit Road.

The commissioners deferred action on the proposal until their next meeting to consider new information presented by the developers last week.

Helgemo indicated later that the proposed compromise for Sanibel Bayous would in all likelihood be rejected by the Nationwide group.

The planning commission deferred action last week on a request from the Virginia South Corporation for a general amendment to permit the development of 142 single-family building lots in the 70-acre Sea Oats Subdivision west of Rabbit Road between Sanibel-Captiva Road and Gulf Drive.

Virginia South President Charles H. Smith presented the request and asked that the commission consider the "transitional nature" of the subdivision, which, they said, was begun and partially approved by the time of Sanibel's incorporation in November, 1974.

His attorney William Haverfield

availability of sewer and water, ownership pattern and whether or not the land is filled were used for allocating density in the plan.

Smith said that he opted not to fill the land for environmental reasons. The property is in the interior lowlands and is transected by the Sanibel River.

Smith told the commission that he had envisioned home construction at an elevation of 13.5 feet in the subdivision and that he had offered to donate two 100-foot buffer strips along the Sanibel River to an appropriate conservation agency.

Smith said that because he had waited for HUD approval before placing the subdivision on the market, he managed to sell only four lots in Sea Oats before the city's building moratorium was imposed, during which he was reluctant to sell the lots

added.

"We're perfectly willing to do everything we can to work with you," commission chairman Ann Winterbotham told the petitioners, who accepted a two-week continuation of their hearing to enable the planners to give the matter more thorough consideration.

In other action last week, the planning commission voted to recommend that the council approve a corrective amendment they have prepared to adjust the boundaries of commercially designated land in the Permitted Uses Map which accompanies the land use plan.

In most cases, the commercial zone boundaries were realigned to conform insofar as possible to existing property lines in the city.

Softball

story and photos
by gwen stevenson

The Lady Lions met the ESI Eskimoes on Sunday to start off the first "Winners" round of the Old Sports for Youth Sports. The Lady Lions took the opener 31 to 9, with Isabel Gavin getting two in-the-park home runs for the Lions.

The second game was the annual Kiwanis-Lions classic for the brown Jug, won this year by the Kiwanians with a score of 8 to 4. "It was a hard playing game," said Kiwanian Dick Muench. It certainly activated some appetites as Lions cooked up hot dogs on a tailgate for the winners.

The second women's game of the afternoon saw the Sanibel Packing Co. Foxes (otherwise known as Francis' Foxes) take on Priscilla Murphy's Sea Horses. The final score: Foxes: 41; Sea Horses: 3.

In the last game of the day, the Island Water Association played the West Winds Inn in a fast and smooth ball game that saw West Wind take IWA by a score of 11 to 4.

The next round of the Old

Sports for Youth Sports is this Saturday when Timmy's Nook meets Nave's Plumbing at 4 p.m. In the Ladies' division, Charlie's Angels tackle the Sanibel Packing Co. Foxes at 6 p.m.

Sunday at 12 noon, Weeds 'n Things plays South Seas Plantation. At 2 p.m. the winner of Saturday's game between the Nook and Nave's plays the Lions Club.

4 p.m. Sunday, the winner of the noon game between Weeds 'n Things and South Seas meets the Island Water Association.

At 6 p.m. Sunday, the winner of the 2 p.m. game meets the winner of the 4 p.m. game. And if you aren't thoroughly confused by now, you never will be.

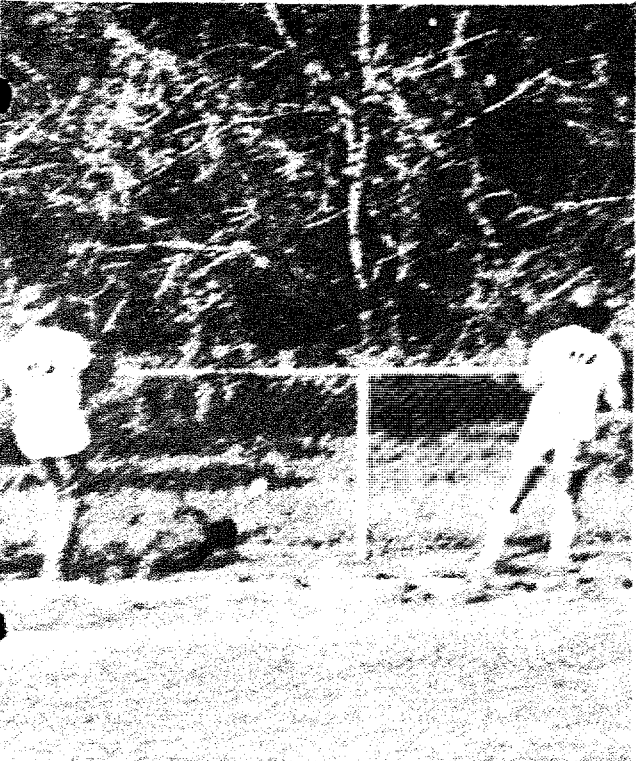
But it all looks like some great softball in store this weekend, so go on out and help support your favorite team.

Umpires, scorekeepers and callers are always welcome...if you can help out in any of these areas, see Dick Muench in the press box before game time. Please remember that dogs are not permitted at the ball park and litter hurts.

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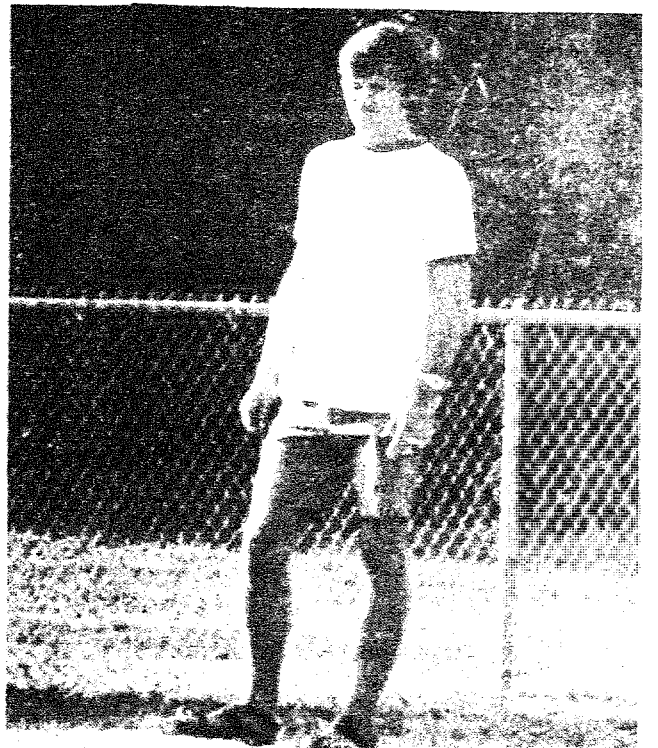
Hot dogs, beer and softball still make the world go round as is evidenced by the filled-to-capacity school parking lot during the almost eight hours of Old Sports for Youth Sports Sunday



Going, going, gone! That arrow is pointing to a homer slammed out of the ball park by West Wind player Oscar Gavin. It really took off, and was one of the longest-hit homers in Sanibel softball history.



Sanibel-Captiva Kiwanis president Keith Trowbridge displays the Brown Jug trophy captured by the Kiwanians in their annual square-off with the Lions. The Kiwanis team has won the trophy four out of the five years the teams have been playing.



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The Kiwanis gang after their win against the Lions 8 to 4. Standing L. to R. Dick Muench, Steve Bissell, Harry Kair, Steve Reynolds and Jug, Hank Groh, Mike Nazarawh, Keith Trowbridge, Mark McClintick. Sitting, L. To R. Ben Bjerke, Brian Bissell, Chris Wollenberg, Bob Harak, Charlie Dutton, Don Bissell. David Muench is mascot.



Sheriff Frank Wanicka enjoys Coke and conversation at the Second Annual Grecian Ball Saturday night. —

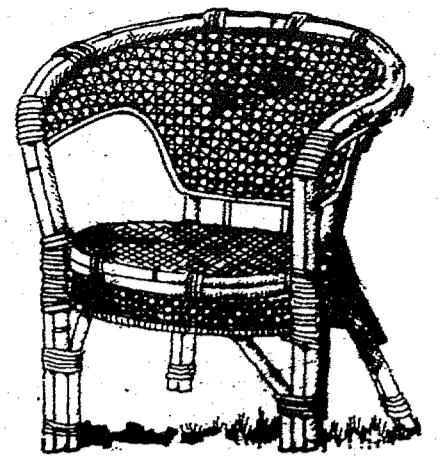
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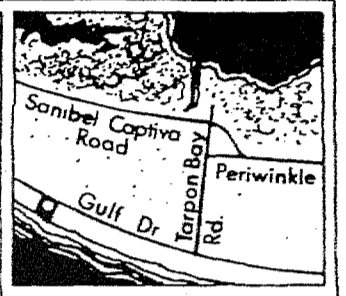
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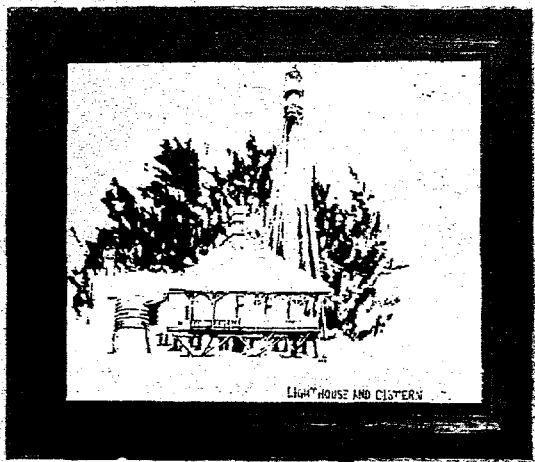
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Linda Horne saves a life, thanks to SPD training

Saturday evening, May 7, was a memorable day for Wellington McConnell. He was dining at the Coconut Grove when a food particle lodged in his throat. As he ran from the dining room, head waitress Linda Horne followed him into the parking lot where she administered the "Heimlich Maneuver" to Mr. Wellington.

The Heimlich Maneuver is a procedure whereby someone either grabs the victim in a bear hug about three fingers below the rib cage, or, if they're on the ground, strong fist punch in the same area will force the wind out of the stomach and clear the air passages.

Linda had learned the Heimlich Maneuver, along with other emergency first aid when she had attended a special course given by Lee County Emergency Medical Service in cooperation with the Sanibel Police Department.

The Heimlich Maneuver, while simple, is almost foolproof in saving someone

who is choking. "Not knowing how to do it," said EMS technician John Christmas, "is like not vaccinating your child against polio."

"If I hadn't attended the course," Linda Horne told the ISLANDER, "I wouldn't have known what to do. I would probably have hit him on the back, the old-fashioned way."

"Choking deaths are so needless," added EMS technician Russ Batchelor, who has used the technique to save his own one-year old daughter.

"Many times when people are choking," said Christmas, "those around him think he is having a heart attack and there is nothing the bystander can do. The way to tell the difference, he continued is that, when someone is choking, no air is getting through at all and the victim is unable to speak. During a heart attack, the patient can usually talk. Also the Heimlich Maneuver is something you can administer to yourself."

This often happens in restaurants apparently because people are laughing, talking and eating at the same time. One thing not to do, however," adds Linda, "is to go off by yourself. Not wanting to disrupt other diners is courteous, but not if it means the difference between life and death. Go to the front desk, the kitchen or anywhere where there is help. During the SPD and EMS course, I think every single restaurant on both Islands was represented.

John Kontinos, owner of the Coconut Grove, had insisted that all members of his staff attend.

The EMS technicians on duty at the fire hall are anxious to teach this life-saving maneuver to anyone who wishes to learn. It takes about five minutes to demonstrate the technique and, if you are interested, just give them a call or stop by the station.

Again, a well done from the ISLANDER to Linda Horne.

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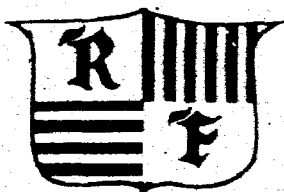


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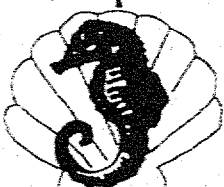
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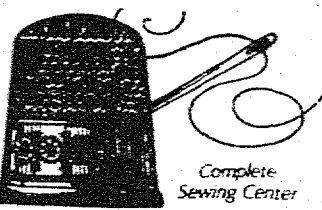
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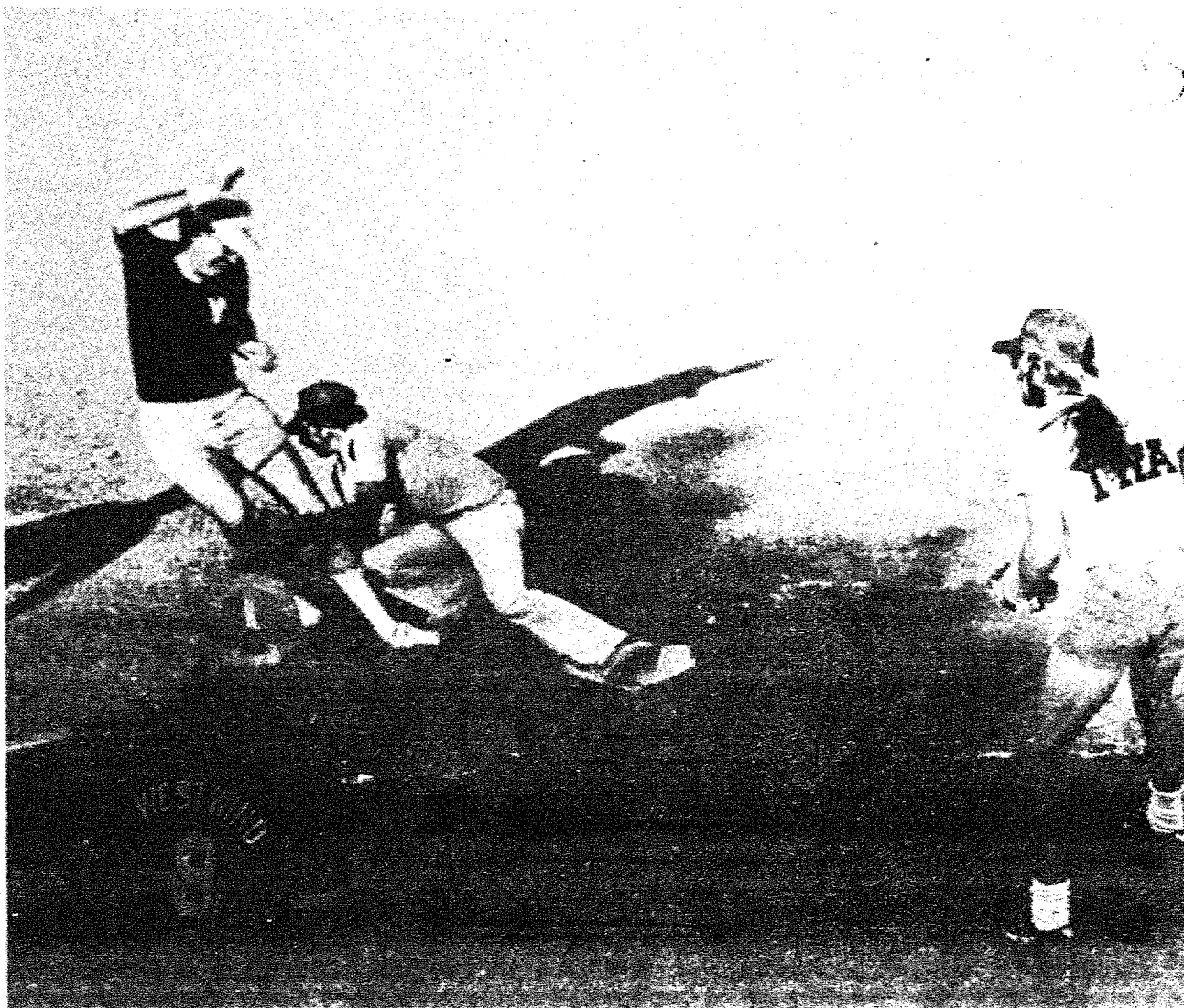
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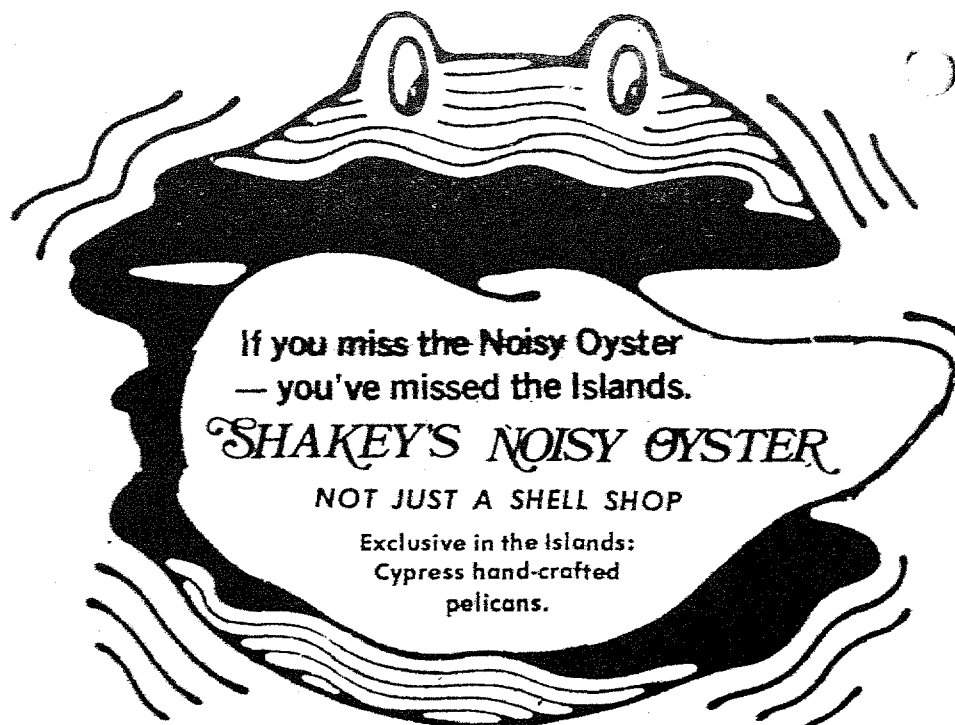



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11-Carol Burnett
26-Feather & Father Gang
11:00
11-News Eleven
20-Eyewitness News
26-ABC Weekend News
11:15
26-American Theater (All night movies till 7 a.m.)
1) "Day Of The Jackal,"

Edward Fox; 2) "Black Gun," Martin Sarder; 3) "These Are The Damned," McDonald Carey; 4) "Captain Pirate," Louis Hayward.
11:30
11-Movie Classics: "Flirtation Walk," made in 1934 starring Ruby Keeler, Pat

O'Brien and Dick Powell in which a young Army private disappointed in love because his love is the General's daughter, gets appointed to West Point, where they have a kissing rock.
20-NBC's Saturday Night, the funniest night of the week.

12:30
11-Face The Nation
20-Meet The Press
26-Directions
1:00
1:00
11-Untamed World
20-Sunday Film Festival: "My Geisha," in which Shirley MacLaine, Yves Montand and Bob Cummings star in the tale of a movie empress who wishes a role from her director-spouse.
26-IWA Professional Wrestling
1:30
11-NBA on CBS Playoff Basketball Game
2:00
26-TV 26 Afternoon Feature: "Victory At Sea," 1961
3:00
20-Italian Open Tennis Championship - final live round from the Foro Italico in Rome.
3:30
26-ABC's American

Sportsman
4:00
11-Memorial Tournament
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-Indianapolis 500 Time Trials
6:30
11-CBS Evening News
20-NBC Sunday News
7:00
11-Sixty Minutes
20-Wonderful Disney
26-"Nancy Drew" and-or "The Hardy Boys" Mysteries
8:00
11-"Ben Hur," played by Charlton Heston in the 1959 version of what happens when a Judean aristocrat defies the paganism of ancient Rome.

20-Columbo
26-ABC Double Feature: "Lucan" and "Good Against Evil"
8:58
11-Newsbreak
9:30
20-The Big Event: "The Story of Princess Grace - Once Upon A Time Is Now," with Lee Grant hosting at a close look at Grace Kelly as an actress and as the wife of the Prince of Monaco.
11:00
20-Eyewitness News
20-ABC Weekend News
11:15
26-Sunday Film Festival: "Deborah," starring Gig Young
11:30
11-News Eleven
20-Sunday Late Movie: "Mosquito Squadron," with David McCallum
12 Midnight
11-CBS Sunday News
12:15
11-I Spy

sunday - all day

6:57
11-Morning Devotional
7:00
11-The Christophers
26-TV 26 Morning Feature: "1,001 Arabian Nights"
7:15
26-Davey & Goliath
7:30
11-Rex Humbard
20-The Lucy Show
8:00
20-Jimmy Swaggart Show
26-Mr. Magoo
8:30
11-Oral Roberts

20-Norman Vincent Peale
26-The Lone Ranger
9:00
11-Old Time Gospel Hour with Jerry Falwell
20-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
26-Cathedral of Tomorrow
26-Gilligan's Island
11:30
26-Animals, Animals, Animals!
12 Noon
11-Camera Three
26-Issues & Answers

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7:00
11-Gunsmoke
20-Adam 12
26-To Tell The Truth
7:30
11-The \$128,000 "??"
26-Treasure Hunt
8:00
11-"Hello Dolly!" starring Barbra Streisand and Walter Matthau and super!!! Even good!
20-Little House On The Prairie
26-Great Day
8:30
26-Monday Night Baseball

8:58
11-Newsbreak
9:00 Approx.
20-NBC News Update
9:00
20-NBC Monday Movie: "Rosetti & Ryan: Men Who Love Women," in which two flamboyant lawyers are retained by a young socialite accused of husband-icide but who declares, in actuality, that the deed most foul was done by an intruder who was a

stranger!
11:00
11-News Eleven
20-Eyewitness News
26-NewsScene
11:30
11-CBS Late Movie: "Kojak: No Immunity For Murder" and Dennis Weaver as McCloud in "The Park Avenue Rustlers"
20-The Tonight Show
26-"Streets of San Francisco" and "Toma"
1 a.m.
20-The Tomorrow Show



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Islanders at work and play

by gwen stevenson

Jim and Juanita Hermes are pleased to announce the arrival of five-year old Michael. Michael joined 11-year old brother Greg just in time for a very happy Mother's Day at the Hermes household.

Martha Reynolds has been active in putting the Sanibel Inn aquarium into beautiful shape. Stop by for a tall, cool one and admire her handiwork. The Reynolds will be leaving the Islands shortly for their annual migration to Cashiers, North Carolina. They will be missed and we'll look forward to seeing them in the fall.

Currently closed for vacation is the Harbor House. They will reopen Friday, June 10, with their fresh seafood.

Lew Phillip's karate class has found a home. They are now meeting at the Sanibel Arms. These kids are truly dedicated and they must be relieved to know that the classes can and will keep going.

Tin Can Alley is closing its doors. "We just wanted a small business out of our home," said co-owner Nancy McNamara, "and with this shop, it just got too much." If you are interested in one of Bryce McNamara's unique metal sculptures, he can be reached at 472-2902.

Other vacationers include The Island Bake Shop, re-opening June 3 and Jade Butterfly, who will be back and open for business around mid-June.

Eddie Waitt, an eight-year Island resident, late of Photo Sanibel, has departed the Islands for the best of reasons—Eddie is marrying Rene Buffalohead this summer and will be living in New Orleans. Seems their trip from Sanibel was a little more exciting than anticipated.

Lightening struck the pavement just ahead of their car and blew out all four

tires. No one was injured—except in the pocketbook—but we hope when they come back for a visit, as we're sure they will, the auto trip will be less eventful.

We hear that the Dunes has super hamburgers, as well as sandwiches, for a quiet and reasonable lunch. They're open from 11 a.m. until 1:45 Monday through Saturday and they serve beer.

Dr. and Mrs. Wegryn and Father Beauregard are off "roughing it" on a Windjammer cruise. The Werner Heinstains joined them in Miami for a barefoot week aboard the multi-masted sailing vessel.

Dave Holtzman purchased the Surfrider Motel from Bill Such on May 9. It is still being operated as the Surfrider and will be listed with AAA. Holtzman anticipates no fundamental structural changes in the 40-unit hostelry, though he is contemplating making it a member of the "Best Western" group, as is the Shell Harbor Inn, which Holtzman also owns.

The Surfrider managers are Mr. and Mrs. Early and the motel will, we're sure, be operated in the same fine manner as Shell Harbor Inn.

Paul Howe's wife is off visiting London, Wales and the West Country of England doing some genealogical research. To cheer up the temporarily single Mr. Howe, Jack Roemer gave him a "bachelor" party at the Coconut Grove on May 5.

The Islander extends a friendly welcome to new residents Cheryl and Ronald Weaver, who have moved to Sanibel from Columbus, Ohio. He is an associate architect at Fenton and White, Periwinkle Place. The Weavers have two children, three-year old Carrie and one-year old Andy and live on Donax Street.

Sally Woods Woodring,

recent bride of Preston Woodring, is now co-owner of Ada's Health Foods of Sanibel on Periwinkle Way across from the Bank. They just opened with a fantastic selection of health foods—do go see them.

Ann Bailey has just returned to the Islands after her freshman year at the University of Jacksonville. She will be spending just a couple of weeks here before going to Cape Cod to run a tee-shirt shop for the summer.

After a sophomore year at Jacksonville, Ann plans to finish at the Rhode Island School of Design. She is leaving Sanibel on the 24th or 25th of May and is looking for someone to share the trip with her. If you're headed north at that time, call her at 472-1755.

Becky and Bob Rauschenberger of Sanibel have increased their family recently with the welcome arrival of 12-year old Michelle, who joins their other daughter, 12-year old Mindy. Both girls are in the sixth grade at Canterbury.

Rodney Shoap, the percussion section of the Jerry Dycke Duo which is now playing at the Top 'O Mast II at the Ramada Inn on Sanibel, said that he really felt like an Islander last week, in that he almost had a head-on confrontation with what was at least an eight foot alligator!

Seems Rodney was on his way back into Fort Myers after the night's music was done, when he was (fortunately) proceeding SLOWLY along Tulipa-Donax and had to swerve his car to the other side of the street as an alligator, "which took up at least half of the width of the road," decided to bumble across the street.

Congratulations, Rodney, on becoming an honorary Islander and in helping to preserve the fight for wildlife... AND for not wrecking your car!

By the by, Jerry and Rodney will be playing and singing and drumming and

stuff at the Top 'O Mast through the end of May nightly except Sunday, in case you'd like to drop in to hear some foot-stompin' and dancing music.

Here is a close-up view of the one-of-a-kind coquina necklace given to "Miss Lillian" and worn by President Jimmy Carter's mother during her visit to the young people (future voters, all) who participated in last week's student government day.

Seems that Miss Lillian had expressed a desire to obtain some Sanibel shells, and, since no one had time to go a-beaching and a-collecting, Mrs. Reed Toomey took off her very own necklace and presented it to Mrs. Carter.

This made a lot of people very happy—Mrs. Toomey, who was delighted to have her gift accepted, Mrs. Carter, for being the proud possessor of a striking and unique piece of jewelry and, not in the least the last, Pauline Tuttle of Tuttle's Sea Horse Shell Shop who just happened to be the original designer and creator of the Sanibel shell necklace.

"Tis not everyone who can say they have designs on the President's mother!"

Hmmmmmm.

Wonder if Pauline and Bob'll have discrete little imprinted crests made up which read "Suppliers to the Family of the President of the United States???"



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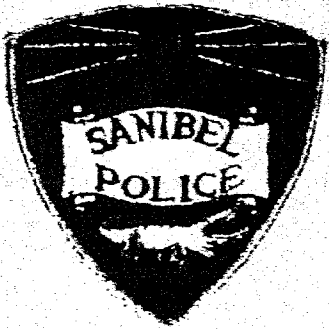
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police reports

'Twas a MOST un-alarming week, as alarms only went off four times, which is a record low. "That" alarm accounted for half of 'em. The emergency boxes were used three times, twice for stuck - in - the - sand cars and once for assistance for a lady who had locked her keys in her car trunk.

The ambulance was called thrice and the medical chopper once; four dark house checks were intensified because of open windows, doors, etc., the Sanibel Police Department rendered assistance of one kind or another 24 times, one speeding citation was issued, three other traffic violation citations were issued, four nekkid people were warned, while none were found on a third check of the beach areas, four small brush fires were reported and put out, two loud parties were de-noised, all the noisy dogs must have gone underground as no one complained about any, one watch, and one wallet and one pair of prescription glasses were repoted lost, and two wallets, one motorcycle helmet and one set of car keys were found and

turned in at the SPD office.

A call came in to report that three male juveniles were skateboarding in such a manner as to obstruct traffic. They were. They were also told not to do it anymore, which they evidently complied with.

A bogus \$100.00 bill was discovered in a bank deposit. Bill was taken around to various places of business so that they might be forewarned and to be on the lookout for other possible fake bills.

Two employees of one place did use a golf cart to go on to the property of another place and were reported by the second place as being trespassing. When officer found them, they did not like being told they were trespassing and one called police station to report that he didn't much like being told he could be arrested if he trespassed again.

A place of business called in to report a possible bogus \$100.00 bill. When officer arrived, owner of bill was quite angry; however, when it was explained why the bill was being checked, the owner of the bill immediately calmed down and said he understood the necessity, as he was in business himself. The bill was okay.

Murder-suicide discovered by officer on patrol. Details in 5-10-77 ISLANDER.

A complaint was made about a truck which allegedly gone through private property on to the beach, knocking down a

barricade and tearing up some newly planted sea oats in the process. At time of complaint, officer on duty was escorting a house down Gulf Drive.

The next day, the officer on duty spoke to the owner of the truck, who said he had instructed an employee to take a shredder to the beach, but had instructed him to go over property shredder was to be used upon. Employer then stated he would make sure employee would not violate private property again and would see original complainant to see what repairs would be made to the sea oats, etc.

Call came in to report an alarm going off in a home on Captiva. LCSO notified and, after arriving on the scene, asked for assistance in that a car was parked in the driveway of the loud sounding house. Turned out to be the owner of the house, who was trying to find out why the alarm went off in the first place.

A call came in complaining of noisy birds which were "annoying and irritating" his guests. Officer arrived on scene and listened for birds. No bird sounds heard on first attempt. Then talked to complainant and explained there was no city ordinance prohibiting noisy birds and therefore matter was a civil one, to be handled by a lawyer. Officer then listened for birds again and finally heard one. Said bird noise did not irritate officer, however.

A complainant reported a vehicle was speeding and driving recklessly up and down the road. Found

vehicle and driver, who said he was sorry if his driving offended anyone and he would "hold it down" in the future.

The fingerprints found on the scene of a break-in at the school matched up with a resident of the Islands. This resulted in the matchee being arrested for burglary and transported to Lee County Jail.

Suspicious van reported. Officer investigated. Occupants were a-sportin'...

Officer on routine patrol was approached by a man who stated he had removed a 6 h.p. outboard from his sailboat and left it on the ground whilst he hand-towed his boat into a sheltered area. Also said that at no time was he more than 300 feet away from the motor, but when he went to get it, it was gone. It was gone because someone else had found it, thought it to be abandoned and took it to the police station for safe-keeping. Motor and owner re-united.

An alligator, about six feet long, was sighted in the water and later on the beach by a citizen having a beach lunch. Alligator was also attempting to have a beach lunch, as it was reported chasing birds. SPD called alligator expert. Not home. Called another alligator expert, who was also having lunch and therefore stated he would "play it by ear" until repast was finished.

A complaint was made about a loud noise, which may have been, in caller's opinion, a shot gun or a loud tire blowout. Officers investigated. Did not hear or see anything, but found man with weapon. Weapon had not been fired and man had legal reason to have possession of same.

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The first meeting at the new time on June 8 will be a general and budget meeting according to Fire Control District administrative assistant Phil Verdang.

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Father Arthur Kontinos, Parish Priest for the Greek Orthodox Church of Southwest Florida at Fort Myers, chats after dinner.



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2nd annual Greek Ball huge success

Over 650 people danced and ate and enjoyed themselves Saturday evening at the Second Annual Grecian Ball, sponsored by the Greek Orthodox Church of Southwest Florida. The Ball was held at the Fort Myers Exhibition Hall and featured Greek food, Greek dancing and Greek entertainment.

There were dolmatoes (stuffed grape leaves) and Shis-Ka-Bobs, the flakiest of pastry for the Greek Cheese pie. Greek salad, feta cheese and baklava for desert.

Mrs. John (Bella) Kontinos chaired the event which was attended by over 150 Islanders.

The Ball was sponsored to gain financial support for the newly established Greek church and parish and to contribute to the social and cultural enrichment of the community, according to the Reverend Father Arthur Kontinos, Pastor of the Parish Council of the Greek Orthodox Church of Southwest Florida.

The entertainment program was chosen to be

both enjoyable and to authentically demonstrate the beauty of Greek Costumes and dancing.

Vasili's Giorgo's & Starvos Orchestra of Miami played Greek and American music, Greek folk dancing was performed by the Greek Guard of Tarpon Springs Senior High School. Yasmin performed middle eastern dances.

The following recipe for Fannie Frank's Pastitsio - baked macaroni with meat sauce - is reprinted from the program which contained recipes for many of

the other dishes prepared by the Ladies of the Greek Orthodox Church of Southwest Florida.

Pastitsio

"Baked Macaroni with Meat Sauce" by Fannie Frank

Step 1: 1 1/2 pds. of ground beef

2 onions chopped
1 can (16 oz) Tomato Sauce
Salt & Pepper to Taste
Dash of Cinnamon

Chop onion and saute lightly in a little oil. Brown meat and add remaining ingredients along with 1/2 cup of water and simmer

about 1/2 hour covered.

Step 2: Boil 1 pound of large Macaroni in salted water as directed (do not over cook - should be slightly firm). Drain and rinse.

Step 3: Butter 11 1/2 x 13" pan lightly. Spread half of macaroni on bottom. Cover with meat sauce to which has been added a little grated parmesan cheese. Spread remaining macaroni on top and bake for about 45 min. at 325 degrees.

Step 4: Prepare the following Sauce: In a pan melt 3/4 stick of butter. Add

3/4 cup of flour a little at a time blending and stirring constantly. Add 3 cups warm milk to sauce stirring constantly. Add one tablespoon grated parmesan cheese and a dash of salt and continue to stir until thickened over low heat.

Step 5: Beat 2 eggs. Add about half of the sauce a little at a time to egg mixture...then reverse and add egg mixture to remaining sauce and blend thoroughly. Pour sauce over macaroni and bake another hour until golden brown at 350 degrees.



Look into the camera, not at me



Councilman Bailey enjoyed himself, too, along with 650 others at Saturday's gala event.

Businessmen and council exchange views on proposed sign law

In a special evening session last Tuesday, the Sanibel City Council met with at least 120 members of the Sanibel-Captiva Chamber of Commerce to sound out the Island businessmen for their views on a proposed Street Graphic Ordinance intended to replace the former and unpopular Sign Ordinance for Sanibel. After having been originally worked out and enacted by Island businessmen through the authority of the Lee County Commission prior to the city's incorporation in November, 1974, Sanibel's Sign Ordinance has already undergone two transformations in the city statutes.

Over the past year, the ordinance has gradually come in for so much criticism that the council decided six months ago to try yet another renovation of the law in hopes of improving it to everyone's satisfaction once and for all.

Since that time, three proposed drafts of new sign regulations for Sanibel have emerged via the efforts of the city's Sign Review Committee, now defunct, the city council, and most recently the Chamber's Civic Affairs Committee led by Bill Frey, while the former Sign Ordinance has been challenged in a lawsuit filed by Island realtor Bob Buntrock.

Buntrock's suit alleged that the Sign Ordinance was inequitable and unenforceable—common criticisms among the Island's business community.

Throughout the city's recent attempts to prepare a workable revision of the sign code, a major stumbling block has been how to equitably regulate while at the same time accommodate the hundreds of signs of one type or another which have been erected on Sanibel over the years under drastically different sets of standards.

From the comments made last Tuesday evening, it appears that the council's current proposal, dubbed the Street Graphic Ordinance to escape the stigma attending its predecessors, has done little if anything by way of appeasing Island businessmen.

Islander Bob Dugger told the council plainly that many Island businessmen are "downright worried" about some of the provisions in the proposed Street Graphic Ordinance, which he called an attempt "to hamstring our business."

Dugger presented the council with an informal petition signed by over 30 Island businessmen objecting to especially restrictive provisions in the new proposal governing the maximum size and number of "items of information" to be permitted advertising signs on Sanibel.

"Twenty square feet and five syllables just isn't enough," Dugger told the council in reference to how the proposed ordinance would affect him personally. "We need more!"

Practically every one of the twenty or more businessmen who addressed the council last Tuesday voiced opposition to the proposal to limit signs to only five "items of information" which would in most cases include the name or logo of the business and four additional syllables or words in which to express type of business, wares, and business hours, among other things.

"I think everything governing aesthetics should be stricken from the

proposed ordinance," said Bob Buntrock, a leading critic of the former Sign Ordinance.

Buntrock summed up the feelings of many businessmen who attended the meeting when he said, "I want the buying public to tell me my sign's too cluttered, not the city."

Some Island businessmen have long maintained that those who display truly objectionable advertising signs on Sanibel will be weeded out naturally by stiff business competition if only the city would let well enough alone.

into conformance with the new regulations.

Island realtor Stan Johnson said that the city was "leaning on the business community" with respect to the proposed fee for sign permits, while Mayor Goss pointed out that there would be no fee for the city's registration of existing signs on Sanibel pursuant to the council's proposal.

Led by Bill Frey speaking on behalf of the Chamber of Commerce, many members of the audience last Tuesday urged the council to extend the period

information primarily, and not a large advertising campaign," Goss explained the council's position. "The intent is to simplify signs on the Island so we have clean readable signs for motorists to follow."

Goss said that many of the provisions in the proposed ordinance are geared to minimizing the distraction to motorists posed by wordy, cluttered advertising signs right next to the highway, to which Cookie Dugger remarked that smaller signs are as apt to be a traffic hazard as larger signs because nearsighted motorists will slow down in order to read the finer print.

"I believe we have put some teeth in the ordinance for a change," Goss responded to Buntrock's complaint over the city's poor enforcement of past sign laws on Sanibel.

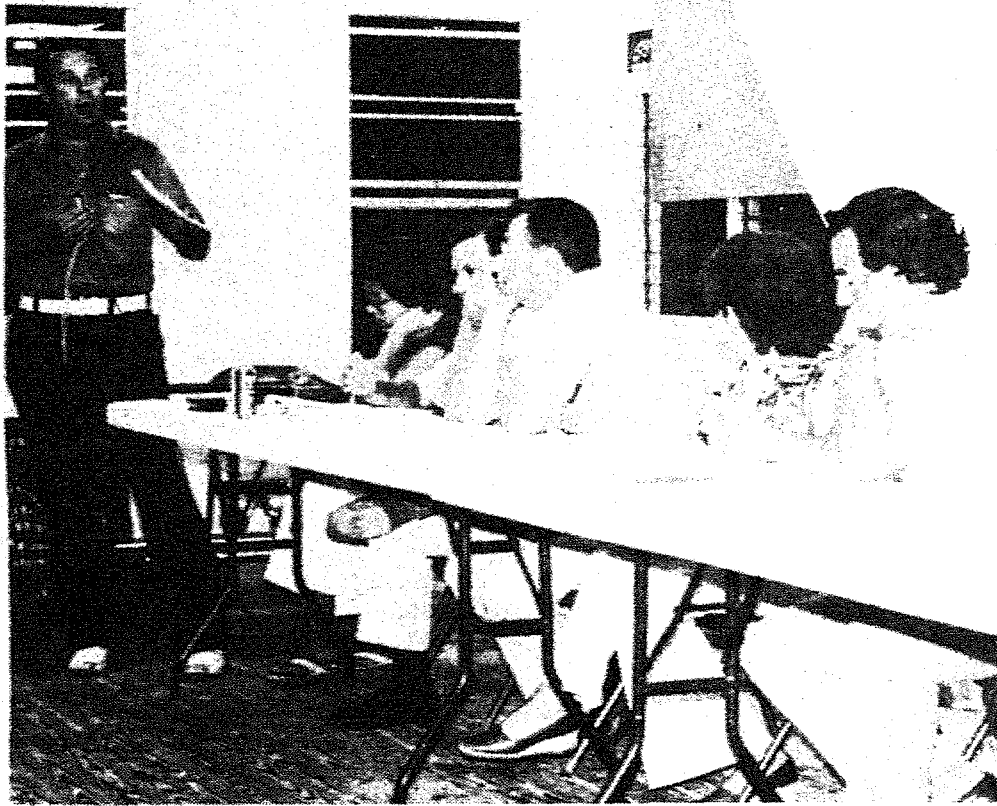
A penalty clause in the proposed ordinance would require violators of the law to pay \$500 or spend 60 days in jail for each day of violation.

Goss thanked the Island's business community for its overwhelming attendance at the meeting, which before it ever got underway was moved from MacKenzie Hall to the Sanibel Community House because City Manager Bill Nungester feared that the overflow crowd might cause the council's accustomed meeting room to collapse.

Goss noted that last Tuesday's meeting marked the best exchange of views between the council and the business community in the two and a half year history of the city.

The mayor added that the council would now take another look at the proposed Street Graphic Ordinance in light of the concerns voiced at Tuesday's hearing, while saying that the councilmen themselves were still undecided on many of the provisions in the proposed ordinance that were opposed by the business community.

"This is by no means a finished product," said Councilman Duane White in assuring the businessmen that the council will hold ample public hearings on the proposed legislation before adopting the Street Graphic Ordinance as a law of the city.



The council entertained input from Island businessman Bob Buntrock, a prominent critic of the city's past sign regulations.

Chet Smith objected to the proposed "Items of information" clause as being an infringement upon the freedom of speech, and said that the provision would render 90 percent of existing signs on Sanibel in violation of the proposed ordinance.

Mayor Porter Goss said that a cursory impact study of the 306 signs on file in city hall indicates that 30 percent would exceed the size restrictions in the proposed ordinance and that another 9 percent would fail to meet the setback criteria, while asking businessmen to comment specifically on how they stand to be affected by the proposed law.

Individual comments included Louis Letizia's observation that restaurants could not display their dinner hours within 5 items of information, while Ralph Woodring asked if the same provision would prevent him from posting a price list for his bait outside of his shop, where most of his customers are wont to do their buying.

Gordon Tracey questioned what provisions had been made in the Street Graphic Ordinance for businessmen who must display one or more manufacturer's logos outside the store to retain their franchise with the company.

Other concerns of the business community included the proposed \$50 fee for new sign permits to be issued by the city, as well as the provisions in the proposed ordinance governing the length of time in which Island businessmen must bring their signs

for compliance with the new ordinance by at least one year, while a majority of the individual business owners at the meeting favored a 40 square-foot maximum limit for all signs on the Island rather than the 20 square feet the council had proposed for individual stores not located in shopping centers.

Advertising signs on Sanibel were limited to 50 square feet in area under the city's former Sign Ordinance.

Frey also suggested that a maximum of 10 items of information on signs would be more workable for most businessmen than the minimum of 5 which was proposed by the council.

"Why can't our signs be grandfathered in?" asked Sam Price in urging the council not to regulate existing signs in the city.

While most businessmen at the meeting agreed to the need for some kind of control over advertising signs on the Island, a few suggested that some of the older signs which have come to be landmarks on Sanibel should be exempted from the provisions of the new sign ordinance.

Islander William Kimball asked the council to strive for a "mixture of pure idealism and practical common sense" in drawing up a new sign code for Sanibel.

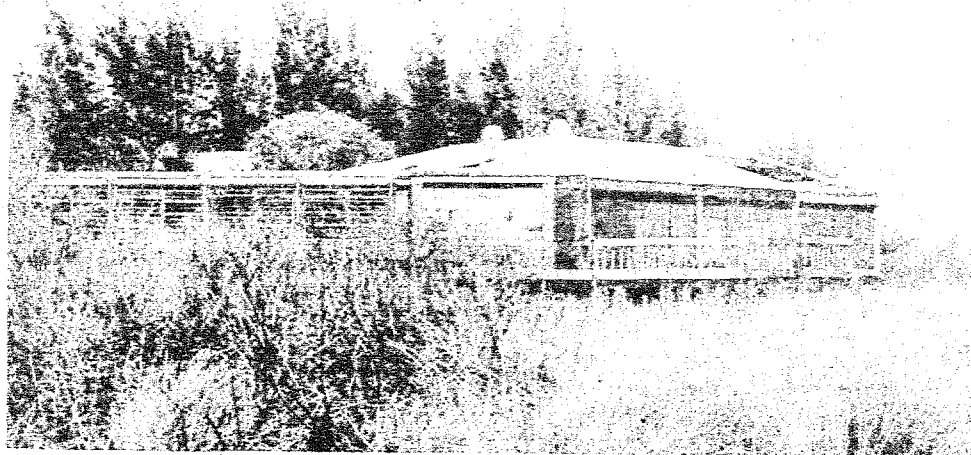
"We are not about to enact an ordinance that the community doesn't want," Goss assured the gathering Tuesday. "There's no attempt here to make it rough for the business community," he added.

"We want signs on Sanibel to convey



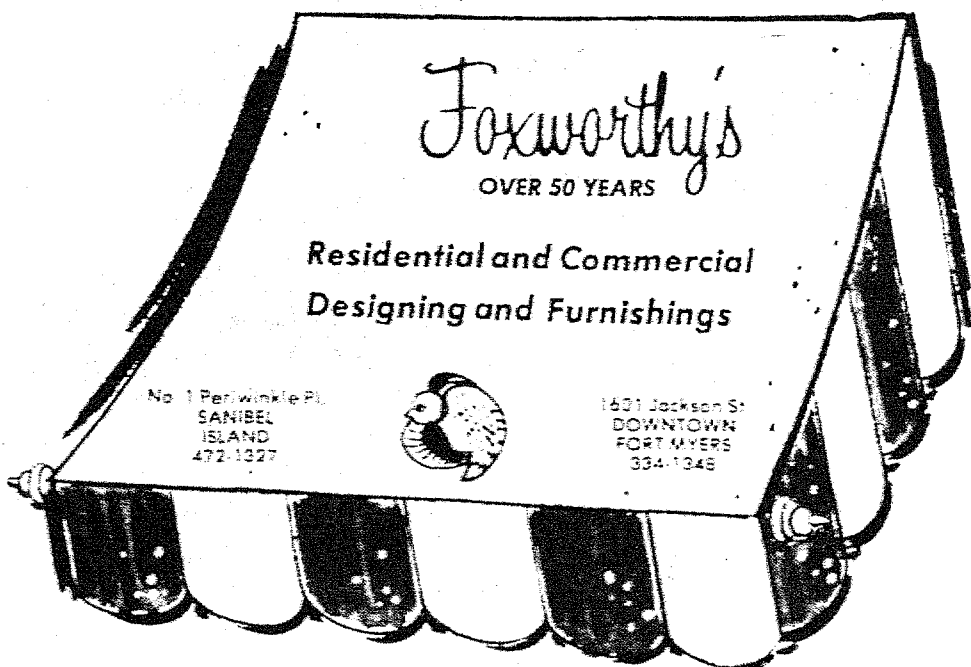
In a well-attended evening council session especially for Island businessmen last Tuesday, Islander Sam Price asked the Sanibel City Council to adopt a hands-off policy for all existing advertising signs in the city pursuant to the oft-invoked "grandfathering clause" which has gained considerable popularity on Sanibel since November 5, 1974.

Foundation moves in Conservation Center



The new Conservation Center rises above a spartina marsh in the center of the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation's 207-acre Nature Trail property south of Sanibel-Captiva Road.

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Construction crews finished installing electrical wiring and hookup to the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation's ambitious Conservation Center project late last week, according to Foundation Director Dick Workman, with the Foundation to have moved its administrative offices into the new building over the weekend.

The recently completed Conservation Center, an unvarnished wood structure elevated above a spartina marsh on the Foundation's 207-acre Nature Trail property south of Sanibel-Captiva Road, contains a large open-air exhibit area capable of accommodating up to 75 people for lectures and film presentations as well as a separate wing to house the Foundation's offices, laboratory and darkroom.

Workman said last week that the Foundation is still in the process of preparing exhibits and readying the public wing of the building to accommodate the various educational programs planned by the foundation, with a grand opening of the facility to the public expected by mid-June, he conjectured.

The job of building exhibits and working up a format for the Center's programs will continue through the summer, Workman said, with a full slate of informative presentations on various aspects of the Islands' ecology slated to begin this fall.

Workman reported that the Foundation's board of directors is currently reviewing about 15 applications they have received for the position of naturalist-in-residence at the Conservation Center, and that three of the best qualified applicants would be interviewed within the next few weeks.

The Foundation is seeking an in-house naturalist who will be responsible for working with Workman to prepare and coordinate the exhibits and research programs planned for the Conservation Center.

Workman anticipates that the board will come to a decision on the hiring by early June and that a naturalist should

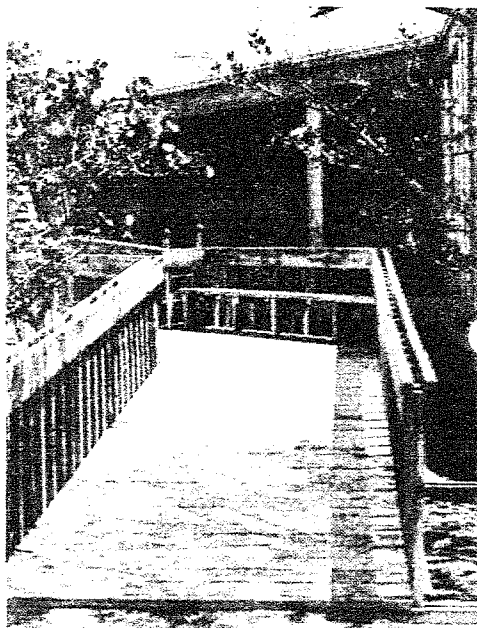
be aboard by July or August.

The chore of moving the Foundation's office for the second time in the past year was accomplished with the assistance of volunteer labor last weekend. Since last summer, the Foundation has been temporarily quartered in the Sanibel Lighthouse courtesy of J.N. (Ding) Darling National Wildlife Refuge officials.

Workman said last week that the Foundation offices would be open for business by Monday of this week in the new Conservation Center at 3333 Sanibel-Captiva Road.

When asked when he thought the operation of the office would return to normal following the move, Workman remarked that "Our operation was never too normal to begin with, but I think we can get our act together within three or four months."

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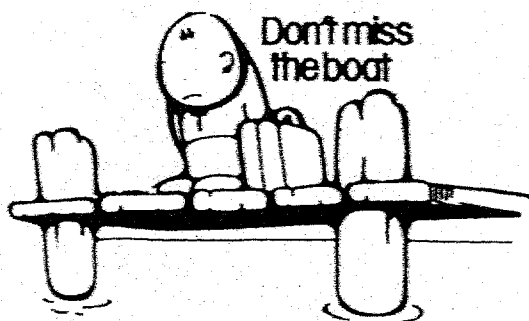
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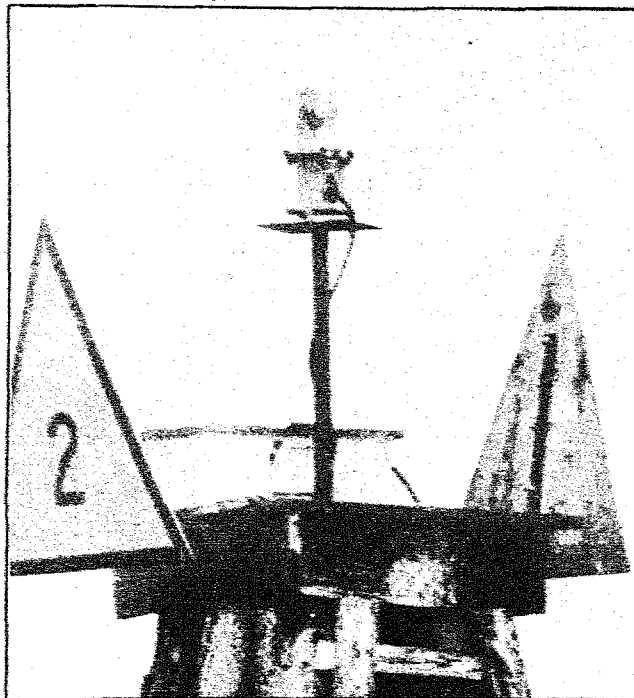


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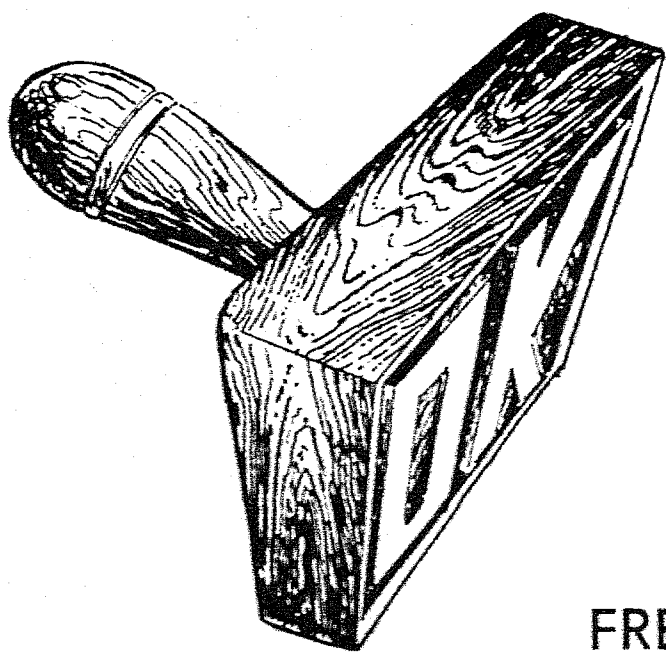
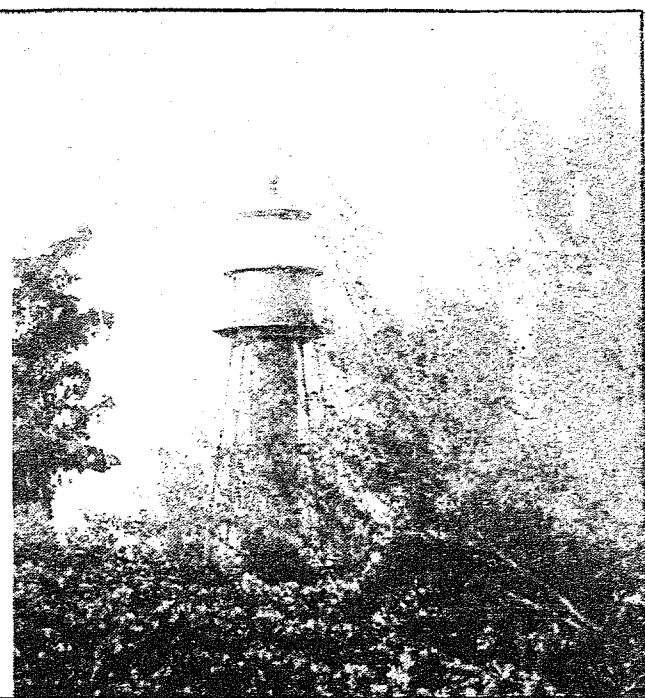
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