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Bailey Tract 'sick,' but council nixes control burn



George Weymouth

Island naturalist George Weymouth, leading advocate of a 60-acre control burn proposed for the Bailey Unit of the J.N. (Ding) Darling National Wildlife Refuge. "The Bailey Tract is sick," Weymouth told the city council last Tuesday, although the council mixed the proposed control burn of the tract until after the summer rainy season on the Islands.

An environmental controversy spread like wildfire among Island naturalists and conservationists early last week, only to be quenched by the Sanibel City Council late Tuesday afternoon.

The controversy raged over a proposal from Glen Bond, General Manager of the J.N. (Ding) Darling National Wildlife Refuge here on Sanibel, to conduct a controlled burn of about 60 acres of the 100-acre Bailey Unit of the Refuge located to the west of Tarpon Bay Road.

Bond approached the city council to

request approval of the proposal last Tuesday. The control burn was to have been conducted on May 23 and only under ideal wind conditions, he said.

Prior to approaching the council with his request, Bond secured the approval and promises of assistance with controlling the fire from the Sanibel Fire and Police Departments, the Florida Forestry Commission, the Florida Department of Environmental Regulation and the U.S. Forest Service.

"It has been many years since this areas has burned and the combustible material has built up, making a potential fire more dangerous," Bond explained in a letter to the city council. "With the absence of natural fire, the wildlife habitat in the Bailey Unit has deteriorated considerably and this burn should rejuvenate it somewhat."

"As a wildlife conservationist I realize some animals may perish in the fire," Bond added, "but I feel the end result will justify their sacrifice."

Although a conflicting schedule prevented Bond from appearing before the council personally last Tuesday, his proposal was more than adequately presented by Island naturalist and ornithologist George Weymouth.

"The Bailey Tract is sick, literally," Weymouth told the council Tuesday afternoon, citing overgrown vegetation and the rapid advance of undesirable exotics such as Brazilian pepper in the Bailey Unit as the reasons for the gradual disappearance of many wildlife species from the area.

"The place was teeming with wildlife ten years ago," Weymouth said, adding that now there are only a mere handful of birds in the area proposed for the burn.

Weymouth said that despite the efforts of Bond and other Island en-

vironmentalists, the Bailey Unit has been neglected too long because the Refuge is understaffed and underfunded by the federal government.

"The Bailey Tract needs to be given immediate attention," he said, "and I think burning is the first thing that should be done."

Weymouth argued that a prescribed burning of the area would restore nutrients to the soil in the Bailey Unit and would aid in the removal of undesirable exotics from the tract, a point which was hotly contended by another noted Island naturalist, George Campbell.

Citing an experimental 5-acre control burn conducted by the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation on their "Nature Trail" property south of Sanibel-Captiva Road last summer, Campbell said that controlled burning has little effect on exotic plant species and that Brazilian pepper in particular must be treated with chemical retardants following the burn for complete removal.

"I'm a fan of control burns. I believe in them at the right time of year," Campbell said. "But this is the wrong time."

Campbell argued that the tract should not be burned now during the spring breeding season of many wildlife species but later, following the summer rainy season when the fire will be somewhat easier to control. He cited other notable environmentalists such as Dr. Frank Craighead and Dr. William Webb in support of his argument.

In reply, Weymouth assured the council that wildlife populations are currently so low in the Bailey Unit that very few would be lost in the fire.

"There are undoubtedly vertebrates and invertebrates breeding in there

now, but you can't have an omelette without breaking an egg," Weymouth said. "This is something that desperately needs to be done, and there's no time of year you can burn that tract without doing some damage to wildlife."

A long-time advocate of control burning, Councilman Charles LeBuff sided with the Campbell school of thought on the matter, saying, "This is an improper time to burn."

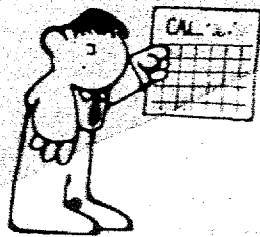
While fully agreeing with Bond and Weymouth on the current unproductivity of the Bailey Unit, LeBuff pointed out that \$75,000 in federal funds is now available to Refuge officials with which to mechanically and manually clean out the overgrowth on the tract.

"I'll believe it when I see it," retorted Weymouth by way of criticizing the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's meager budgetary allocation

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Activities Calendar

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things to do

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

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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.
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how to get there

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political and governmental

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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.

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 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
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 (Kindergarten - 8th) 10 a.m.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SERVICES
 Ramada Inn (end of Donax Street)
 Room 253
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 472-2253
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 Rabbi Simon Friedeman
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 Sunday, 11:00 a.m.

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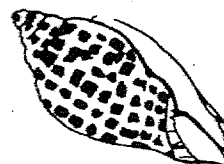
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Council comes down on capital improvement priorities

In a continuation of their regular Tuesday meeting last week, the Sanibel City Council met Wednesday morning in MacKenzie Hall to attend to some unfinished business on the agenda from their long and busy meeting last Tuesday.

In her report to the council Wednesday morning, Vice-Mayor Zee Butler proposed that in light of the recent Supreme Court decision overturning the \$18-million Sanibel Causeway bond validation, the city should begin investigating other sources of funding for a proposed list of much-needed capital improvements for Sanibel which the council had hoped to implement with the proceeds of the bridge refinancing.

"We have projects on this Island which desperately need to get done one way or another," Vice-Mayor Butler told the council, "and we have been singularly unsuccessful in locating any source of outside funding assistance to date."

She proposed that the council reassess its capital improvement priorities and decide upon a list of three or four projects of pressing importance in the city to be funded through a city bond issue which has long been contemplated by the council.

She suggested that the council proceed by selecting three or four projects from a list of capital improvements proposed for Sanibel by the city's Finance Advisory Committee over a year ago.

While the council originally accepted the Finance Committee's recommendations, they have taken no formal action on the proposed capital improvements over the past year while awaiting the Florida Supreme Court's ruling on a lawsuit filed last spring challenging the validation of the Causeway bond issue, the city's primary source of revenue other than ad valorem taxation.

The Finance Committee's recommended priority list for capital improvements on Sanibel included the completion of Gulf Drive from its eastern to western extremities; the upgrading and widening of Sanibel-Captiva Road; the construction of a northern by-pass road to Periwinkle Way; a variety of intersection improvements on the Island; the expansion of Sanibel's bike path network; the acquisition of additional public beach access; the installation of a recreational complex at the Sanibel Elementary School; utility acquisition; and a number of improvements to existing city services, including the proposed site acquisition and construction of a new municipal services office complex to house Sanibel's police and fire departments and the city's

administrative offices, as well as the installation of fire hydrants across the Island.

Vice-Mayor Butler asked that the council narrow the committee's recommendations to a list of three or four workable projects for Sanibel, which would then be submitted to city planners and staff for their review and analysis, and to the Finance Committee for them to prepare cost estimates for those projects to be funded through the general obligation or revenue bond issue contemplated by the council.

With rare unanimity, the council immediately agreed to drop the proposed northern by-pass to Periwinkle Way from the city's priority list.

Councilman Duane White called the proposed limited-access by-pass to Periwinkle "a tragic mistake in the land use plan." Since the controversial northern by-pass was first proposed by city traffic consultants James H. Kell and Associates (JHK), the city council has gradually come to the conclusion that the by-pass would have the unfortunate effect of hastening the development of Sanibel's west end.

Although Vice-Mayor Butler termed the need for improving Sanibel-Captiva Road "critical," Mayor Porter Goss said that the project should not be considered for a bond issue which city taxpayers will ultimately have to support because the road also serves unincorporated Captiva and thus, its improvement should not be funded by Sanibel alone.

Goss said that the inclusion of the proposed improvements to Sanibel-Captiva Road could defeat the proposed bond issue in its entirety, as many Islanders would view the project as "building a road for Mariner Enterprises," and would vote against the city bond issue in a referendum which Goss hopes will be conducted this coming November.

"If we widen that road with city tax dollars, there will be more trucks on it and the taxpayers won't be very happy," Goss remarked last Wednesday.

Goss said that the proposed improvement of Sanibel-Captiva Road will most likely be one of the projects included in a revision of the Causeway bond package for the courts to reconsider later this year. Goss added that new legal interpretations of the Supreme Court's recent ruling indicate that the proposed recreational projects for Sanibel may also be included in the revised Causeway bond package.

Goss proposed that for the sake of the bond issue contemplated by the council, the city focus its attention on a list of four general capital im-

provement areas, including the completion of Gulf Drive, the installation of fire hydrants on Sanibel, the proposed city hall complex, and a half-million dollar package of road improvements for Sanibel, excluding the proposed widening of Sanibel-Captiva Road.

The mayor stipulated that the specific projects to be included in the category of road improvements to be funded by a bond issue should be carefully selected using the recommendations outlined in JHK's report to the city. Soon thereafter, the expansion of Sanibel's bike path network was added to the road improvement category at the suggestion of Councilman Francis Bailey.

City Manager Bill Nungester again assured the council that the city's efforts to open up two new sections of Gulf Drive would bear fruit before the advent of another tourist season.

Nungester said that the city might be able to begin work on clearing a road to connect Middle Gulf Drive with Casa Ybel Road within thirty days, although the road will be only compacted sand and shell with swales as the cost of paving is not reflected in the current city budget.

He added that the granting of only a few more easements was holding up the connection of East Gulf Drive with

Tulipa Way, and that here again no paving of the road is planned for the near future.

On Nungester's recommendation, the council tentatively included the paving of the forthcoming segments completing Gulf Drive as a high priority item on the city's capital improvements list, while urging the city manager to open up both segments in whatever way the city can afford with all possible haste.

The council ultimately agreed on the four general capital improvement categories proposed by Mayor Goss last Wednesday, despite Councilman Bailey's reservations about the proposed installation of fire hydrants on Sanibel.

Bailey said his opposition to fire hydrants stemmed from input he has received from Islanders who feel that the resulting reduction in fire insurance rates might amount to less than the cost of repaying the bonds over the years for city taxpayers.

Finally, the council decided to pursue the modified list of capital improvements proposed by Mayor Goss.

The list of four areas of priority will now be submitted to the city planning department, planning commission, city manager and city Finance Committee for their review and recommendations.

Captiva Shore Patrol holds meeting

The fledgling Captiva Shore Patrol held its first open meeting last Tuesday evening at the Captiva Civic Association. The major discussion centered around the question of whether or not the group should incorporate. The Coast Guard had informed the group that, should a Shore Patrol member damage a boat while effecting a rescue, the individual member could be liable for the damage incurred. The Shore Patrol then decided that, if the expense is not too great, the Captiva Shore Patrol will incorporate as a non-profit organization.

The question of charging for assistance rendered was also discussed. The Shore Patrol was advised that the usual procedure was that charges are imposed only if the operator of the boat receiving help asks to be towed to other than the closest marina where he could help.

"At that point," the Coast Guard advised the Patrol, "you are entitled to ask for a reasonable hourly rate for services".

The Shore Patrol has helped out in over a dozen rescues in the past month. Now three boats are equipped with v.h.f. radios so that the Patrol can be in touch with the Coast Guard at all times. At last Tuesday's meeting, they were given some additional instruction in communicating with the v.h.f. radios.

More donations were received last week from Captiva residents, said

Shore Patrol member Don Day, who wished to express, on behalf of the group, their great appreciation for all the support they have received from local citizens.

To help with funding, the Shore Patrol is also planning a fish fry between July Fourth and Labor Day on Captiva.

Their next open meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 14. For further information, call Bill Lemus (472-1727).

American Legion elects new officers

The American Legion elected officers for the coming year at their monthly meeting recently. Commander is Paul E. Stahlin, Jr.; First vice-commander is Hap Payne; Second Vice-Commander is Allan Poti, Jr., Jack Scott

was named adjutant; John Marshall is Sergeant-at-arms; and Art Ferrier was reelected to the position of Secretary-Treasurer.

Installation of the new officers is expected to take place within the next few weeks.

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Old Sports for Young Sports

Five men's and one women's game were played over the weekend in the Old Sports for Youth Sports League with some upsets, some surprises and a lot of fun for all.

Saturday saw Timmy's Nook take on Nave's Plumbing at 4 p.m. Although the Nook didn't give up until the last inning was over, they lost to Nave's by a score of 41-5.

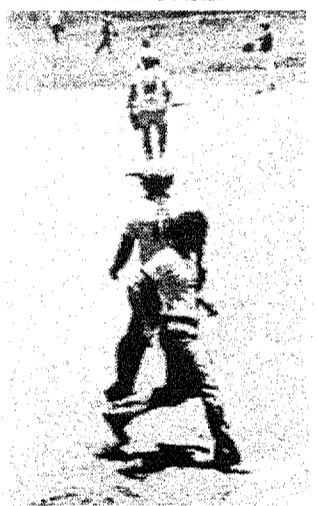
Immediately afterward, in a well-played women's game, the Sanibel Packing Co. Foxes took on Charlie's Angels with a final score of 11 to 5, in favor of the Foxes, with Sheryl Pharr and Norma Hughes both getting home runs for the Foxes.

A full Sunday of men's softball saw Weeds 'n Things play three games and come from behind to win two of them.

Their first, against South Seas, revealed two vastly improved teams from their first games two weeks ago.

South Seas scored four of its seven runs in the first inning, with the remaining three runs coming in the third, fourth and seventh. Weeds 'n Things kept up a steadier pace, battling in two the first inning, three the second, two the third and their last in the fifth, taking South Seas by one run in a final score of 8 to 7.

South Seas players Jim O'Brien and Ron Rich each batted in home runs.



Nave's Plumbing continued their winning streak when they played against the Lions during the afternoon's second game, with John Naumann and John Cimato getting the Lions' only two runs. The high scorer for Nave's was Roger Tabor, despite the hilarious commentary from booth announcer Ray Rhodes. Pitchers doubled up, batters had to step away from the

plate and those in the stands cracked up as Rhodes, in unusual and merciless form, commented on the players, their family ancestry and daily habits. Folks, it's the least expensive -- and funniest -- show in town. He will, we're sure, reap next week what he sowed this week while he is out on the field. Jim Pickens decided that Ray had to have at least three scriptwriters for all his commentary.

In Sunday's third game, the undaunted Weeds 'n Things again came from behind to take the Island Water Association by a score of 15 to 8, with Ray Myers getting a home run for the winning team.



The first inning of the IWA vs. Weeds 'n Things game saw something unusual happen -- Billy Hughes hit a ball out of the park, lapped his own teammate, inadvertently pushing him out of the way, while an IWA player got his glove on the ball just before it went out of the park. Umpire Roger Tabor called both Hughes and his teammate out in an understandably hotly disputed call. Tabor was



right. According to soft ball rules, one team member passing another makes the lapping man out. If he interferes or hits the first runner, as Hughes did, while the ball is still in play, then both runners are out. Now, that's an unusual one.

In the last game of the afternoon, an understandably weary and limping Weeds 'n Things took to the field for the third time that day against Nave's Plumbing. Nave's strongest push came in the second inning when they brought home seven runs. The final score: Nave's Plumbing: 16; Weeds 'n Things: 5.

Sunday, May 29, has the following line-up:

12 noon—Cedar Chest vs. ESI Eskimoes

2 p.m.—Kiwanis vs. West Wind Inn (Watch out, Ray)

4 p.m.—Sanibel Packing Co. Foxes vs. winner of noon

6 p.m.—Nave's Plumbing vs. the loser of the 2 p.m. game.

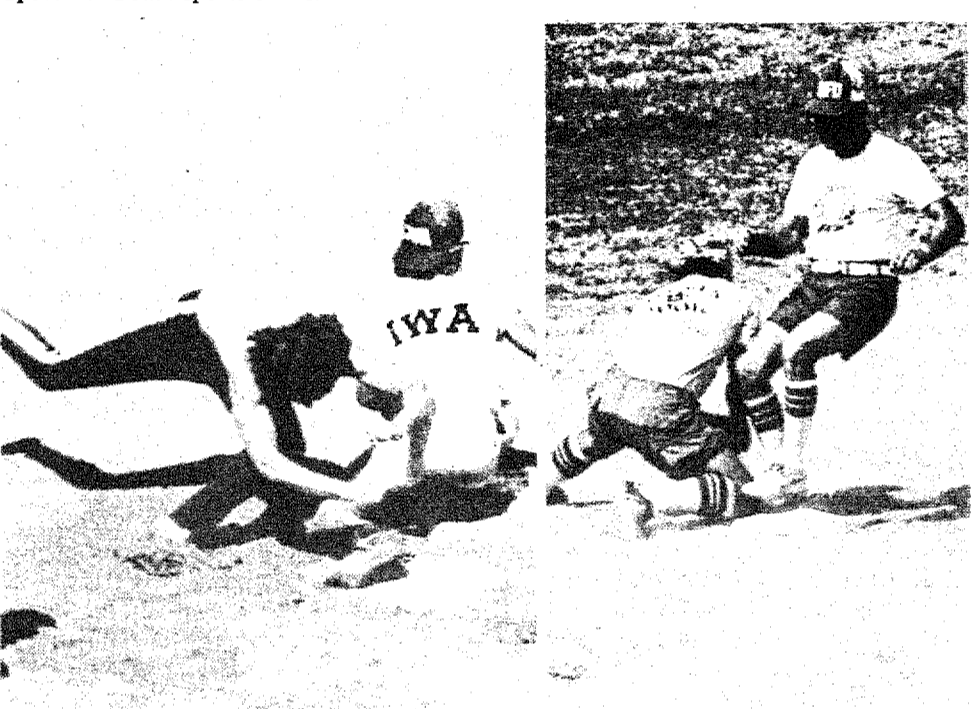
A final note: Dick Muench is collecting enough baseball gloves to open a sporting goods store, which is one of the last things he needs. If you have lost one, call him at the Periwinkle Trailer Park.

Remember this league raises money to support the youngsters in Little League. Come out and support the Island kids -- besides, guaranteed, you'll have a ball.



Charlie Miller tries and just misses a catch from the outfield while Nave's brings in a run during Saturday afternoon's Old Sports for Youth Sports Game.

Porter Goss comes in for Nave's Plumbing, who played Saturday against Timmy's Nook. Final score: 41-5, in favor of Nave's.



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

Aries: Travel is likely, but do take care of possessions, especially those left in a car or boat. Try to keep relations with in-laws on a harmonious basis.

Taurus: Be more conservative than usual and conventional, too. This is no time to kick up your heels. Find ways to get more with what you have. You may have to say no to one who would like a loan.

Gemini: You are apt to find this is not too good for pursuing ambitions; dependants will be insolent or cannot be depended upon. Some news coming about a baby.

Cancer: You could have some difficulty with the law, and some mental confusion that hampers your work. Try to stick to routine and control your impulses.

Leo: Minor things may go wrong, but the overall pattern is likely to be very satisfactory. Avoid being hasty in blaming anyone for delays; logical reasons are behind them.

Virgo: Unexpected changes in financial conditions and the arrival of visitors from afar may keep you busier than usual. Best not to take a trip. Remain calm when your plans are suddenly changed.

Libra: Try to keep clear of quarrels that develop among others. Aspects favor writings, ideas, trips, messages. Don't fail to speak up about your qualifications when asked.

Scorpio: A partner may displease you, or you could be turned down if you ask for favors now. Avoid arguments about property interests or taxes. Avoid shopping for expensive items.

Sagittarius: Don't be forced into a decision by a young person. Indiscretion can

injure your prestige. Try to avoid excess; older relatives, or co-workers, may be a drain on you.

Capricorn: Try not to criticize a young in-law, or be too talkative in a group. This is not a good time for opening new credit accounts. Concern for young people can make you tense.

Aquarius: A new acquaintance can be very boring. Unexpected elements disrupt your routine; avoid making decisions without consultation. If you start a trip, exercise caution.

Pisces: Decisions you make now regarding family plans and decisions may not be very permanent or reliable. Don't mail hasty letters without a cooling off period.

ECO-SWF study "basically successful"

Almost 70 Southwest Florida government officials, conservationists and press people gathered at Boca Grand Saturday, May 14, for an all-day study of the endangered coastal counties. The day started out with a beautiful three-hour boat cruise of the Charlotte Harbor area, followed by a luncheon at the Gasparilla Inn, and then an afternoon seminar in the Boca Grand Community Center.

The Environmental Confederation of Southwest Florida (ECO-SWF) was host for the day, which was predicated on acquainting

government officials with some of the major problems and dangers now facing the critical estuarine system, marshes and off-shore barrier islands, all of which are being threatened by ever-increasing uncontrolled growth in the delicate environmental area.

"Altogether, I would say the day was basically successful," Roy Bazire of ECO-SWF told the ISLANDER. "It looks as if perhaps all of Lee County will be designated as a critical area, and that's certainly a step in the right

direction."

It also appears the I-75, "Which is a logical boundary," Bazire said, will be used to define one boundary of the water area to be protected.

While a majority of those attending were government officials, including Sanibel's mayor, Porter Goss, representation on the Lee County level was conspicuously low, as Roy Roberts was the only elected county official present... and he just stayed for lunch and about a quarter hour of the afternoon seminar.

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City now owns a tractor

The Dept. of Public Works took possession last week of a new Case farm tractor to help the City of Sanibel in doing its own landscaping clean-up. Formerly the work had been contracted out.

The new tractor will be used to trim vegetation along the roadways and to sweep the bike path, as well as to grade the edges of the roads so there will be less of a gradient between the pavement and the shoulder.

By purchasing a little equipment of our own and doing our own maintenance work, we expect to see substantial savings," said John Goode, Director of the Public Service Department. The City also received delivery Monday of a one-ton dump truck.

"Our own maintenance men have already started a project on Bay Road cutting the brush back and opening up the right of way," continued Goode. "We are going to do this in an orderly fashion throughout the Island, so it will all be cut back by next season, providing much greater visibility."

Island League of Women Voters

Sanibel Planning Commissioner Joe McMurtry was the featured speaker last Monday at the Sanibel-Captiva Unit of the Lee County League of Women Voters' regular monthly meeting at the Sanibel Community House.

McMurtry, a retired director of traffic planning with the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation, met with the group last Monday to lend advice as to how they should proceed with a study they have agreed to perform on the feasibility of some sort of mass transit system for Sanibel and Captiva.

As a starting point for the proposed study, McMurtry suggested that the group use the density allocations for Sanibel as outlined in the city's comprehensive land use plan as a guide for determining future population centers on the Island for the purpose of long-range mass transit planning.

McMurtry proposed that the group correlate such factors as the probable total build-out of the Islands with existing and future public parking areas and beach access points in their approach to the idea of mass transit for Sanibel and Captiva.

He added that the probable total build-out of Captiva and especially South Seas Plantation, should be investigated for the purpose of mass transit planning, while Unit member Paul Howe suggested that the group look into the possibility of getting South Seas to assist

with funding the proposed mass transit system for the Islands.

In this respect, McMurtry said that an investigation of the probable cost and alternate methods of financing the proposed transit system should be a major area of the group's study. He suggested that the Island Unit of the League get in touch with Lee County Director of Transportation Ben Pratt, the director of bus operations, in Williamsburg, Virginia, and Disney World officials to gather information on the cost of various types of transit lines which might be workable on the Islands.

"I think the Islands lend themselves beautifully to a mass transit system," McMurtry told the group, while at the same time saying that most day-trippers would probably not use the system unless the city were to make it mandatory and provide a public parking area near the Causeway in which visitors could leave their cars upon coming to the Island.

Unit member Charlotte Heimann pointed out that the failure of a previous bus system on the Islands sponsored by the Island Chamber of Commerce was due to the fact that the bus didn't stop for most of the small shops along Periwinkle Way, thereby disappointing the businessmen who were supporting the system.

McMurtry agreed that the convenience and the cost of the system to its customers are primary factors with respect to the success of

mass transit on the Islands.

The Island Unit of the League has thus far received offers of assistance with their study of the feasibility of mass transit for the Islands from the Island Teen Club and Kiwanis Club, while some members of the Captiva Civic Association have offered to assist with the part of the study relating to Captiva this coming fall.

The group plans to prepare a working format for their mass transit research at their next meeting, to be held at the Sanibel Community House

Marief Goss and Charlotte Heimann, Program Committee; and Sue Johnson, Hilda Rusch and Charlotte Hamlet, Hospitality Committee.

Membership Committee Chairman Helen Webb reported last week that the Unit now includes 23 year-round members, although the general public is warmly invited to attend all of the group's meetings and join in their discussions of current problems on the Islands.

The group's chosen area of study and action for this year is transportation and



Joe McMurtry

at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 26.

In other action last Monday, the Island Unit gave their unanimous approval to a slate of candidates for Unit officers which was presented by the group's nominating committee.

Officers of the Island Unit of the League for the coming year include Carlene Bowen, Unit Leader; Paul Howe, Publicity Officer; Dora Jones, Secretary-Recorder; Oester Welch Levi, Finance Chairman; Helen Webb, Telephone Committee Chairman;

traffic problems on the Islands.

Another ongoing effort of the League of Women Voters is the publication and circulation of their informative pamphlet outlining the structure of local government and voting regulations.

According to Oester Welch Levi, the League's county government pamphlet including information about Lee County's three municipalities, will be distributed on the Island through participating businessmen within the coming month.

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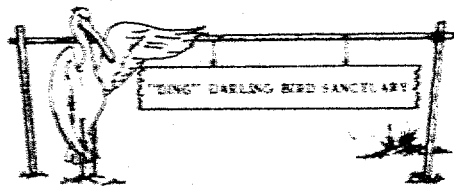
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weekdays - through 6:30 p.m.

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
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.: "Salome," Rita Hayworth (1953); Wed.: "Fire Down Below," Jack Lemmon, Rita Hayworth (1957); Thurs.: "All The King's Men," Broderick Crawford (1950); Fri.: "Our Man In Havana," Alec Guinness, Maureen O'Hara; Mon.: Jungle Larry (1/2 hour); Tues.: "My Sister Eileen," Janet Leigh (1955).
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
11:50
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-Chico & The Man
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
28-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 - Starting Mon., May 30, Ch. 20 will show "Bonanza" at 4 p.m., eliminating "Bewitched" and "Hogan's Heroes"
26-The Edge of Night
4:30
11-Mike Douglas Show

20-Hogan's Heroes
26-Dialing for Dollars:
Tues: "Bandit of Zhobe," Victor Mature; Wed., "Face of A Fugitive," Fred Mac Murray; Thurs: "Ghost of The China Sea," Brian Keith, Fri: "The Three Stooges Meet Hercules;" Mon: "Suicide Mission," Leif Lorren.
5:00
20-Emergency One! - Starting Mon., May 30, Ch. 20 will air "Iron-sides" instead of "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-"Concept - a dead issue?" WINK's Jean Meadows looks at the reasons and ramifications of the closing of the half-way house, "Concept."
20-Hollywood Squares
26-Bobby Vinton
8:00
20-NBC Movie of The Week: "The Man With The Power," with Vic Morrow as a man hired

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26-Happy Days
8:30
11-M.A.S.H.
26-Laverne & Shooley, too!
9:00
11-CBS Movie Special, in which James Stewart, forever followed by forever talking Henry Fonda, inherits "The

Cheyenne Social Club," which, he finds out with Horror, is an establishment dedicated to providing men of the Old West with dance, drink and warm female ummmm "friendship."
26-Rich Man, Poor Man
10:00
20-"Suzy Visits Old Blue Eyes and Old Brown Eyes," in which syndicated columnist Suzy Knickerbocker interviews Frank Sinatra and Muhammed Ali,

probably NOT a pair to draw to.
26-Family
11:00
11-News Eleven
20-Eyewitness News
26-NewsScene
11:30
11-CBS Late Movie: "Linda," starring Stella Stevens, Ed Nelson and John Saxon
20-The Tonight Show
26-ABC Tuesday Movie: "The Dairy of a Mad Housewife."
1 a.m.
20-The Tomorrow Show

wednesday - 7 p.m. till sign-off

7:00
11-Wild Kingdom
20-Adam 12
26-To Tell The Truth
7:30
11-Untamed World
20-Gong
26-Wild World of Animals
8:00
11-Good Times
20-The Life & Times of Grizzly Adams, about a man and his bear.
26-The Brady Bunch
8:30
11-"Roosevelt & Truman," a comedy adventure about—not the presidents—but a bail

bond and security guard agency(!?)
9:00 approx.
11-CBS News Minute
20-NBC News Minute
9:00
11-CBS Wednesday Movie: "Red Sun," in which Charles Bronson, Ursula Andrews, Alain Delon and Capucine star in an oldy Western about a man who risks his life for honor. (And what else is new?)
26-Baretta
10:00
20-Jackie Gleason is the

roastee on "Dean Martin's Celebrity Roast"
26-Charlie's Angels
11:00
11-News Eleven
20-Eyewitness News
26-NewsScene
11:30
11-CBS Late Movie: Peter Falk as Columbo and Martha Scott in "Playback"
20-The Tonight Show
26-"The Rookies" & ABC Mystery Movie: "The Centerfold Murders"
1 a.m.
20-The Tomorrow Show

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thursday-7 p.m. till sign-off

7:00 11-Fort Myers Symphony Annual Young Artists Awards, in which five young people (including Irene Moss from Captiva) compete for scholarships.	8:30 26-What's Happening?	11:00 "Madness & Medicine"
20-Adam 12	8:58 11-CBS Newsbreak	11:00 20-Eyewitness News
26-To Tell The Truth	9:00 approx. 20-NBC News Update	11:30 26-NewsScene
20-Hollywood Squares	9:00 11-NBA on CBS - the 2nd championship game	11:30 11-News Eleven
25-"Lehigh Acres - Here We Grow Again"	9:30 26-Barney Miller	11:30 20-The Tonight Show
8:00 11-The Waltons	9:30 26-ABC News Special - "Fidel Castro Speaks" (Woof, Woof???)	11:30 26-Thursdays Night Special: "Gerald Rivera"
20-NBC Thursday Movie: "The Lindbergh Kidnapping Case," a dramatization of the kidnap murder of Charles A. (Lucky) Lindbergh's 20 month old son for which Bruno R. Hauptman, on circumstantial evidence alone, was convicted of murder and executed.	10:00 26-ABC News Closeup	12 Midnight 11-CBS Double Feature
26-Welcome Back, Kotter	11-Hee-Haw	Late Movies: Telly Savalas as Kojak in "Loser Take All" and Ben Murphy and Bonnie Bedelia in "Heatwave"
	20-Adam 12	1 a.m. 20-The Tomorrow Show
	26-To Tell The Truth	
	20-The New Candid Camera	
	26-Nashville On The Road	
	8:00 11-CBS News Hour: Con-	

friday - 7 p.m. till sign-off

7:00 11-Hee-Haw	8:00 20-Chico & The Man
20-Adam 12	
26-To Tell The Truth	
7:30 20-The New Candid Camera	
26-Nashville On The Road	
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9:00 approx.	9:00 11-Enigma and adventure pilot about an international law organization and their struggle for justice.
10:00 20-The Rockford Files	10:00 11-Hunter
11:00 20-Quincy	11:00 20-Quincy

11:30 11-CBS Late Movie: "What's A Nice Girl Like You" starring Brenda Vaccaro, Jack Warden, Roddy McDowell and Jo Anne Worley.	12:40 26-Friday Night Theater
11:30 20-The Tonight Show	
12:40 26-Baretta	

(All Night Flicks till 7 a.m.) 1) "The Horror Of Frankenstein," Ralph Bates (92 mins); 2) "OSS Mission For A Killer," Frederick Stafford (93 mins); 3) "The Second Best Secret Agent," Tom Adams (93 mins); 4) "Catch As Catch Can," Vittorio Gassman (95 mins).	1 a.m. 20-The Midnight Special
11:55 26-Schoolhouse Rock	
12 Noon 11-Fat Albert - The Cosby Kids	
20-Land Of The Lost	
26-ABC Short Story Special - "Valentine's Second Chance"	
20-The Kids from C.A.P.E.R.	
26-American Bandstand	
1:00 11-CBS Children's Film Festival	
20-Fla. Wrestling Champs	
1:30 26-Indianapolis 500 Festival Parade	
2:00 11-WINK-End Movie: "Air	

saturday - all day

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

11:30 11-"Bugs Bunny" and "Roadrunner" Hour	10:00 11-Tarzan, Lord of The Jungle
10:00 26-"Scooby Doo" & "Dynomut"	10:25 20-Speed Buggy
10:30 26-Schoolhouse Rock	10:30 11-New Adventures of Batman
11:00 26-Kroffts Supershow	11:00 11-"Shazam" & "Isis" Hour
11:30 20-Big John, Little John	11:30 26-Super Friends

11:55 26-Schoolhouse Rock	1:00 11-CBS Children's Film Festival
1:30 26-Indianapolis 500 Festival Parade	2:00 11-WINK-End Movie: "Air

Tall, dark and winning horse all up Hill (hopefully)

Many people were delighted to see Seattle Slew take the Preakness 1 and three-sixteenth mile course in 1:54 and two-fifths seconds. Just two-fifths of a second off the track record. They won money and racing fans love to see a traditional dark horse suddenly appear on the scene. There is, however, one other reason for Islander John Hill, who runs his marketing and creative services business from Woodbridge offices. He is especially happy. His brother, veterinarian Jim Hill was the one who persuaded Mickey and Karen Taylor to purchase the horse for \$17,500 two years ago and has remained with them as their advisor.

to take Barbara, 14-year old Kevin, 13-year old Kristina and 12-year old Sam to the Belmont Stakes in New York.

Seattle Slew got his rather unique handle when Dr. Jim Hill and the Taylors repaired for some refreshment after his purchase in 1975 at the summer sale of Kentucky yearlings.

The "Seattle" part came from the city closest to the Taylors' White Swan home in Washington and "Slew" from Florida's watery bottomlands where the Hills were raised. Dr. Jim Hill now makes his home in Garden City, New York.

John Hill, whose love of horses goes back as far as his brother's, "only not professionally," told the ISLANDER, "that what makes Slew truly different is that he is a great athlete—as great in his own right as Ali was in his prime or Nadia Comaneci."

Seattle Slew is the only horse ever to win the Derby and the Preakness with a completely unbeaten record. Three weeks from Saturday, the Belmont Stakes will be the final test of the Hills' faith in their dark horse.

"Sure, I've won money on Slew," said John. "but at the Kentucky Derby, I bought a bunch of \$2 tickets I intend to keep as souvenirs.

Both John and wife Barbara attended the Run for the Roses in Louisville, although John went alone to Baltimore for the Preakness. Now that Seattle Slew has taken two of the three Triple Crown races, he plans

Architects' rendering



Community Church expansion detailed

Fenton & White Associates, Periwinkle Place, have drawn up the design for the proposed expansion of the Sanibel Community Church. According to their plans, the new addition will contain a 2,000 square foot all purpose room large enough to seat 200 or provide dining for 150. Other facilities include a kitchen, a nursery and pre-kindergarten room and expansion of the sanctuary.

If all permits can be obtained (the new facility requires a special amendment to the Comprehensive Land Use Plan) the additional seating capacity for the sanctuary is expected to be ready by Christmas, with the remainder slated for completion by early 1978.

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Super sipping at Sanibel Inn

Two of the most attractive and eligible bachelors on the Islands happen to work—diligently and creatively—at the Sanibel Inn lounge bar.

Michael Rehr has been at the Sanibel Inn for over a year—from a Miami stint of seven years. Asked about the Islands, Michael told the ISLANDER that, while he started in the business by accident seven years ago, he is still at it and loves it. Evidently the feeling is returned because the crowd at the Sanibel Inn lounge keeps growing... and

to be Scotch and soda." (Author's note: That'll be the day!)

Michael had a neat drink, concocted of an assortment known only to him of rums, a little Galiano, tropical fruit juices and Michael's own personal touch served up in a frosty 25 oz. snifter. M-m-m good! That's a favorite at the lounge luncheon served daily from 11:30 until 2:30 p.m. Another perennial favorite at the lunch is the Sanibel Inn's very special bloody Mary. Being an extremely discriminating bloody Mary drinker,

Blend fruit and sugar until pureed; add remainder of ingredients, blend with crushed ice. Serve straight up. Makes five, six-ounce drinks (or if serving in your own home, it makes 10 3 oz. wineglass ounce drinks).

Paul started as a bartender six years ago and his maturity belies his mid-twenties years. His family has been in the restaurant business for two generations and he grew up with it. He began seasonally with a Cape Cod summer and, when the seasons changed, he came, naturally to



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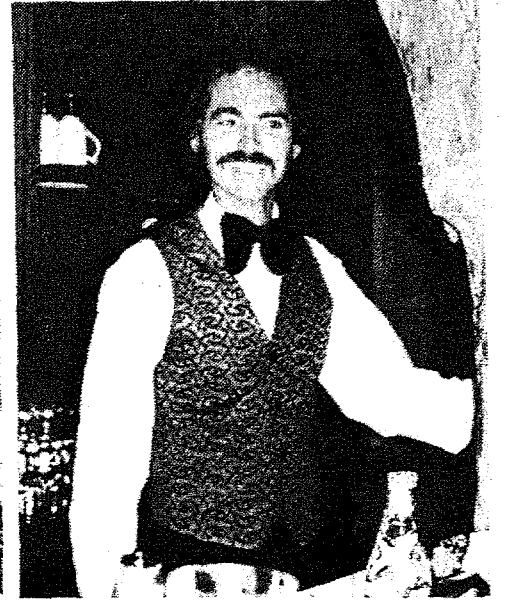
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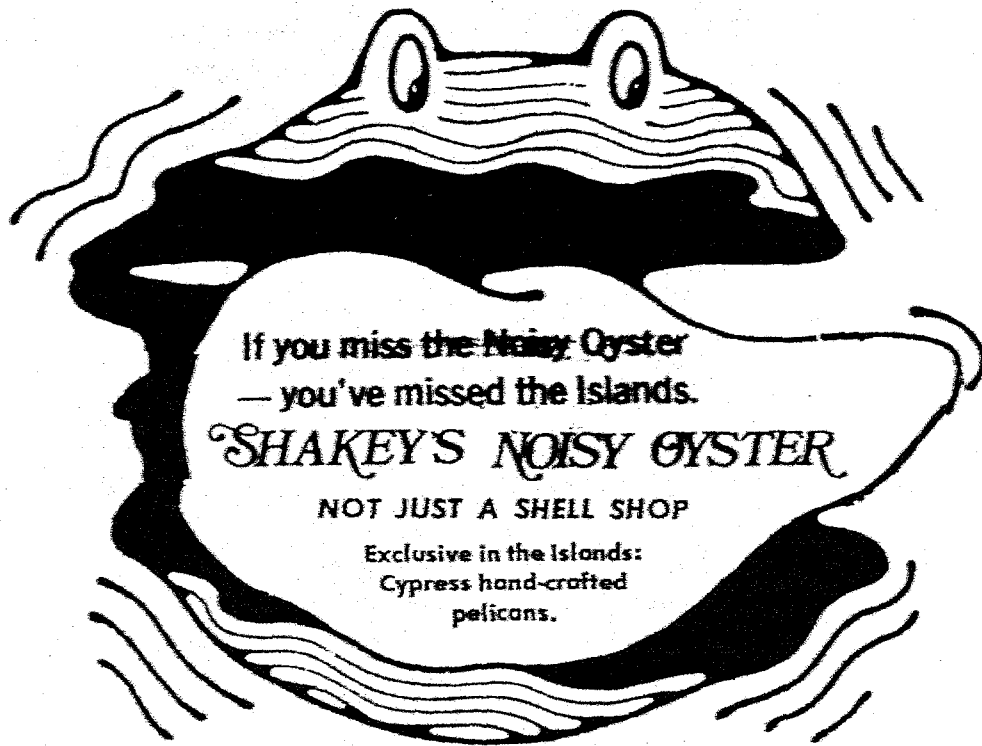
JEAN and CHARLEY DUTTON



The latest addition to the Sanibel Inn bartending staff, Paul Formica, gets caught in the act—of bartending.



Michael Rehr, at the Sanibel Inn for over a year, has an uncanny memory for customers' preferences, in drinks, of course, which he does superbly amid the woodsy decor.



growing... and growing!

"I feel far more comfortable here," said Michael, resplendent in nighttime vest and bowtie, "there is a completely relaxed atmosphere; people, given half a chance, would rather be friendly than otherwise."

The Sanibel Inn will be featuring special summer drinks, some of which are already on the menu, such as pina coladas, Singapore slings, knock-out zombies and planter's punch, plus the addition of new tropical drinks for Island heatwaves.

There are also super drinks known as the "Bartender's Secrets"—so secret that neither bartender knows what the other's special is. "On bad days," said one, "it is liable

having tasted the famous Rusty Scupper's, 21's, Tavern on The Green's, etc., we think you'll agree that this ranks up there with the best.

At most luncheons, you will generally meet Paul Formica, who serves up sandwiches, salads and sippers with great charm and personality. Paul can make a super smooth and slightly different Marguerita for those who prefer to find their lost shaker of salt at the Inn as well as his special—a frozen fruit daiquiri:

1 pint of fruit (strawberry, banana, pineapple or any combination of two of the three)

3 tsp. sugar
8 oz. sweetened sour mix
4 1/2 oz. white rum

Florida. He arrived on Sanibel to visit a friend, was offered a job and liked it so much, he decided to stay. Paul can be found on his day off refereeing softball games and playing for Weeds 'n Things, besides fixing up the home he now leases on the Gulf and hopes to own.

As anyone who remembers the Golden Sands will agree, the Islands' gathering places depend as much on the personalities of the individuals behind the bars, as what they serve.

The Sanibel Inn, successor to the Golden Sands, has quite a different atmosphere but the friendliness, service, special drinks and personalities still abound. Go see and enjoy!

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Islanders at work and play

by gwen stevenson

Mike Toomey received a postcard from "Miss Lillian" Carter thanking him and his mother, Mrs. Reed Toomey, for her striking coquina necklace — a one of a kind item created by Pauline Tuttle of Tuttle's Sea Horse Shell Shop. Miss Lillian told the Toomeys that she might give the necklace to Amy.

Chuck and Doris Urban of Kalamazoo are back on the Islands for their fourteenth visit since 1958 and are staying at Blind Pass Condominium. Chuck went out fishing with guide Jerry Way and landed two snook, one eight pounds, one ten.

But the one that got away, in true fish story tradition, was a 50-pound cobia that they wrestled right up to the side of the boat and, with gaffer in hand, it flipped off. Had there been a cuss jar handy, we would suspect they would have filled it.

The Urbans have been fishing with Jerry for 12 years, so there'll probably be another chance.

Twin Palms Marina on Captiva is expanding under the workmanship of Don Day. The Marina will double its capacity and be ready in approximately 30 days.

Terry Weinberg, who owns Sasibelle on Periwinkle Way, is opening a branch store on Fort Myers Beach. Grand opening is slated for June 1.

Watch the ISLANDER for further information.

Bob Potts almost missed the boat — and this was no ordinary boat. Seems that while vacationing in Dubronvik, Yugoslavia, they were going on a water excursion to an island in the Adriatic when Potts noticed, "omigod, no beer," whereupon he hopped off the boat and ran into a little pub, purchased six warm bottles,

waited for his change in dinars and then ran back to the boat to find it ten yards off shore and outward bound.

After some loud noises, they came back and retrieved him, whereupon he found that not only was the boat stocked with cold beer, there were fifty cases of it. Fortunately, Potts has a super sense of humor.

He told the ISLANDER that the rest of the trip was terrific.

Along with Peter and Mary Skehan and 166 other members of the Associated Grocers of Florida, they stayed at the Cavtat, with daily tours into the mountains and along the coast.

They also had two side trips — one to Rome and one to Athens. Doris won a box of candy for blowing up balloons during one of the trips.

Asked how many mountains of slides he had brought back, Bob said that all his pictures were in his head — that when he takes slides, they just stay in a drawer. Welcome back — we're glad you had such a wonderful trip.

If you haven't been by the Sanibel Inn lately, you may be surprised at some of the changes — Linda Lisle, who can really belt out a song, is currently appearing nightly starting at 9 p.m. They have a daily happy hour when bar drinks are \$1.00 and domestic beer is 75 cents and a special Lounge Lunch menu from 11:30 a.m. until 3 p.m.

For those of you who wind up getting hungry at odd hours, the Sanibel Inn also serves cold sandwiches from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. and from 10 p.m. at night until closing. This fills a real gap in Sanibel eating — heretofore, if you wanted to nosh at odd hours, you were probably out of luck.

If you stop by Silver by Lasak in Periwinkle Place, you will notice a different

face behind the counter... the Lasaks have left for their permanent home in Stowe, Vermont — and their other Silver by Lasak shop.

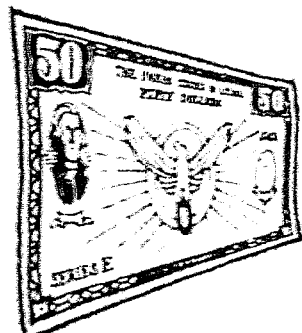
Bob Care of Island Floor Covering has a new partner — Dick Azzalino. In case you're just returning to the Islands, they are now located in 1633 Plaza on Periwinkle Way between the Bank of the Islands and Casa del Mama.

The many friends of Belton Johnson will be pleased to know that, though he is still in Punta Gorda's Medical Center Hospital, he is improving. We all wish him a speedy recovery and quick return to the Islands.

Karen Booth tried valiantly to rescue a sick pelican with Jessie Dugger of CROW last week. When they approached the pelican with a net it flew across the canal and landed on the seawall by the Moorings — undaunted, they chased the pelican across the canal and — the obstinate pelican flew away.

The pelican has a damaged leg but is able to fly (obviously) and freed itself, reported Karen.

Realtor Ralph Call has just returned from the



Security blanket.

Florida Real Estate Exchangers National Marketing Session—a three-day seminar on tax laws and marketing held in Clearwater. The sessions were attended by brokers from all over the United States.

A celebration two years in the planning came to fruition on May 18 when Stanley and Martha Brown of Sunset South renewed their wedding vows at St. Michaels and All Angels Episcopal Church, after fifty years of married life. A reception followed at the clubhouse at Sunset South attended by eighty of the couple's friends and catered by Gert Webb. The Brown children, Thomas Brown, of Indianapolis, Marianne Jardine of Provincetown,

R.I., and Phyllis Feldstein of Toledo, had all collaborated in the festivities.

Although the Browns have lived on Sanibel for nine years, they spend much of their time travelling throughout the country visiting their children and ten grandchildren and plan a trip to the Orient within the year.



Congratulations, Mr. and Mrs. Brown and the ISLANDER'S best wishes for another fifty years.

Jim Harrison of Periwinkle Trailer Park, who was taken to the hospital via helicopter 28 days ago, has returned home, much to the happiness of his family and friends.

Hugh Alexander of Island Boat Rentals at Sanibel Marina told the ISLANDER that he just recently acquired his captain's license and will be skipping the 26-foot sloop "Shan-down IV" and the 33-foot custom English racer-sight seeing ship "Mystique."

Cheri Anne Atkins, daughter of Anne and Wyman, celebrated her eighth birthday on Sunday, along with 25 friends from the second grade of the Sanibel Elementary School and Cheri Anne's neighbors from Donax Village. The birthday girl's grandparents from Florida's East Coast were also on hand for the birthday and pool party.

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Council hears EPRET report

At their regular meeting last Tuesday in MacKenzie Hall, the Sanibel City Council heard a progress report from EPERT team members Marty Holtz, Bill Hughes, Jim Pickens, Thomas Brymer, Jerry Muench, Dr. Ingalls Simmons and team leader, Sanibel Police Chief John Butler, who are responsible for coordinating the evacuation of the Islands in the event of a severe tropical storm or hurricane.

Chief Butler announced at the meeting that Cypress Lake High School has been designated as the shelter for Sanibel and Captiva residents should they be ordered to evacuate, with Islanders to follow MacGregor Boulevard, Gladiolus Drive and Winkler Road to reach the shelter.

Butler said that the mayor of Sanibel is responsible for issuing the order to evacuate the Islands once a bonifide hurricane warning has been issued by the U.S. Weather Bureau, and that once the order is given, everyone is required by law to evacuate.

Upon the issuance of a hurricane watch for the Islands, Butler said that an emergency meeting of the city council will be called to monitor the storm's progress until it either blows to somewhere else or the council decides to issue an evacuation order.

Butler explained that if a tidal surge were to wash out the Sanibel Causeway before the evacuation of the Islands is complete, those trapped on the Islands should use the Bank of the Islands, the Island Cinema, the Catholic Church, the Sanibel Elementary School, and the Sanibel Fire Department as emergency shelters. He said that Islanders should think of "vertical evacuation" to the upper floors of tall condominiums on the Islands only as "the very last resort."

Butler said that many Island grocers have pledged their supplies of canned food and other necessities to storm refugees who may be trapped on the Islands in the event that the Causeway washes out, while Dr. Simmons said that the EPERT team keeps a stash of emergency narcotics in a safe deposit box at the Bank of the Islands should they be required during the slow process of restoration following the storm.

Butler said that once the evacuation order is given, the team will strive to notify Captivans first because of the greater distance they must travel and two bridges they must cross in evacuating.

The EPERT team will employ the SPD's



EPRET head John Butler

Plectron system and CB radios to communicate among one another if telephone lines are knocked out by a storm surge, Butler reported.

Because of the reputed dubious structural soundness of Cypress Lake High School, Councilman Francis Bailey suggested that healthy Islanders with homes that have been demonstrated to be sturdy during past storms should stay put rather than evacuate, both for their own safety as well as that of tourists and invalids who should be among the first to be evacuated.

Chief Butler and other councilmen objected vehemently to Bailey's suggestion. "If we get hit by a major hurricane on this Island, we're going to be in real trouble not only before the storm but for days and days afterwards," said Councilman Duane White.

The council as a whole commended the EPERT team for being so well prepared for this year's hurricane season, which begins officially each year on June 1.

Coastal setback variance considered

The Sanibel City Council last Tuesday heard a first reading of an ordinance specifically amending the city's comprehensive land use plan to grant Donald J. Anderson a 35-foot encroachment on the city's coastal construction setback line to enable him to build a single-family home on a Gulf-front lot in the Tradewinds Subdivision south of Sanibel Captiva Road.

Anderson has made at least a dozen appearances before the city council or planning commission in recent years to plead for his right to build, and the city has investigated a number of alternate proposals for Anderson's property in the attempt to avoid violating the coastal setback line, one of the city's most cherished development standards.

The city had offered to abandon a small section of Gulf Drive north of Anderson's lot to give him room to build his long awaited home without violating the coastal setback, until a recent engineering survey of the property revealed that Anderson would still be unable to build a suitable house on the lot landward of the setback line even with the acquisition of some additional acreage from the city's abandonment of the section of Gulf Drive.

Councilmen Zee Butler, Duane White and Francis Bailey voiced strong reservations

last week about granting any variance to the coastal setback because of the likelihood that their action will set a legal precedent for others to follow, while Mayor Porter Goss spoke in support of the proposed solution to Anderson's problem, saying that there are only a half-dozen lots on Sanibel in a similar situation.

The ordinance will be given a second reading and be eligible for adoption by the council on June 7.

Trailer Park denial upheld

Word was received last Thursday that the Second District Court of Appeal in Lakeland has ruled against Islanders Gordon Tracey and Velna Ridge in their appeal for judicial permission to develop a travel trailer park in the vicinity of Dunlop Street on Sanibel.

In the recent decision, the appeal court upheld Circuit Judge Thomas Shands' denial of their suit for declaratory relief from the provisions of the city's comprehensive land use plan.

In the lawsuit, which was heard by Shands last July, Tracey and Ridge claimed that their vested rights in the project entitled them to proceed with the development of a trailer park as they had proposed originally prior to the city's incorporation in November, 1974.

O&D STUDY CONDUCTED AT CAUSEWAY TOLL PLAZA

A group of Lee Countyans working for New York traffic consultant Arthur Goldberg were in evidence at the Sanibel Causeway toll plaza last week to ask motorists where they came from and where they were going as part of a week-long origin and destination study being conducted by the county in preparation for revising the \$18-million Sanibel Causeway refinancing package for the courts to consider later this year.

The circuit court validation of the Causeway bond package was overturned recently by the Florida Supreme Court because many of the roads slated for improvement with the bond proceeds do not qualify as approach roads to the Causeway, the court ruled.

The traffic study conducted last week is intended to guide the county in working up a new list of road projects to be included in the revised bond package.

Sanibel City Manager Bill Nungester reported last week that upon the completion of the study, he will meet with the county's traffic consultants to analyze the results and assist the county in preparing the revised bond package.

The hours of last week's study were staggered from day to day so that the results would reflect the use of the Causeway at all hours of the day and night.

Members of the study team stopped cars at random so as to keep a steady flow of traffic moving through the toll plaza, with the actual use of the Causeway to be projected from the random sampling of bridge users conducted last week.



Study held at Causeway toll plaza

City employees to get pension plan

Last Tuesday, the Sanibel City Council gave a unanimous nod of approval to the concept of a city sponsored pension program for all full-time city employees which was recommended by City Manager Bill Nungester and the city's Finance Committee with the assistance of Larry Snell.

After advertising specifications for a pension plan for Sanibel and receiving 11 proposals from various insurance companies, the Finance Committee recommended that the city select a pension program offered by Banker's Life of Des Moines, Iowa.

Snell explained to the council that the recommended Banker's Life plan is a non-contributory pension program in which premiums would not be paid by employees but by the city itself, with full vesting for city employees after five years in the plan.

Nungester proposed to the council that the city begin the proposed pension program on October 1 of this year. He estimated that the first annual premium in the plan will cost the city about \$45,560—about 14 per cent of the city's current annual payroll, or about 7 per cent of the city's current operating budget.

In a written memorandum to the council, Nungester expressed the opinion that the pension program recommended by the Finance Committee provides better benefits and is more sound financially than the State of Florida's present retirement system.

"It's not a rich plan, not a poor plan, but one that will provide city employees with sufficient security," Snell told the council.

Between Snell and Nungester, all of the council's queries with respect to the proposed pension plan were answered to the council's apparent satisfaction, as they directed Nungester to prepare the necessary legislation and budgetary estimates to begin the program under the city's operating budget for the upcoming fiscal year.

Nungester will submit the proposal to the council once again for their final approval.

In a related matter, Nungester reported last week that because of a favorable experience in medical insurance during the

past year, the city can look forward to a small decrease in health insurance rates in the year ahead.

To try night meetings on trial basis

At the insistence of Councilman Duane White, the city council agreed last week to hold at least one evening meeting every quarter on a trial basis to accommodate Island businessmen and working people who cannot attend the council's customary sessions during working hours.

White argued that the council's recent public hearing on their proposed Street Graphic Ordinance for Sanibel indicated a need for the council to improve their communication with Sanibel's business community, while other councilmen pointed out that past night meetings have met with very poor attendance on the whole and place an undue burden on the city's staff.

Over the summer, the council plans to hold special night sessions for public hearings on the proposed Street Graphic Ordinance, proposed revision of the city's Occupational License Ordinance, and proposed city budget for the coming fiscal year.

Tentative date set for

The Sanibel City Council has tentatively scheduled a workshop meeting for the evening of Tuesday, May 31, to discuss the problem of effluent disposal by the Sanibel Sewer System (formerly Jamestown-Beachview) with Mariner Properties President Bob Taylor.

City Manager Bill Nungester reported last week that officials of the Sanibel Sewer System, which is owned by Mariner Properties, have met recently with city representatives and officials of the Florida Department of Environmental Regulation

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Fire Commissioners & Council agree to joint meeting

The City Council and the Fire District Commissioners have agreed to hold a joint workshop session on Tuesday, June 14, at 8:30 at MacKenzie Hall. The Commissioners have not met with City Council in over a year. The purpose of the meeting is to bring both groups up-to-date on fire plans, including one of the city's priorities in a bond issue which would be an extended system of fire hydrants.

"The possibility of the city taking over control of the Fire District, now under control of the State, might be discussed, but only as a long-range possibility," said City Manager William Nungester.

Amendment proposals given public hearing

During the afternoon session of their meeting last Tuesday, the city council heard a wide array of specific, general and corrective amendments which have been proposed for the city's comprehensive land use plan.

Aside from hearing a first reading of an ordinance containing a general amendment to the land use plan proposed by John Kontinos and William Frizzell to permit the development of 213 dwelling units on about 190 acres of land in Phase II of the Dunes Subdivision off Old Bailey Road, the council entertained first readings of ordinances specifically amending the land use plan as proposed by:

—Pelican's Roost, Inc., a non-profit Ohio corporation, to permit the construction of a 21-unit condominium project on a 3.42-acre Gulf-front lot off Donax Street next to the Ramada Inn;

—Jeffrey Doremus and Craig T. Distelhorst to permit the construction of a single-family home seaward of the coastal setback line on a bayfront lot in the Sanibel Harbors Subdivision;

—Rosalyn Bell to permit the construction of a single-family home seaward of the coastal setback on a bayfront lot in the Sanibel Harbors Subdivision;

—and a corrective amendment proposed by the city planning commission to readjust the boundaries of zones designated commercial and restricted-commercial in the city's land use plan.

All of the proposed amendment ordinances listed above are scheduled for a second reading and possible adoption by the council at the afternoon session of their regular meeting to be held on June 21.

City to rent additional office space for planning

The Sanibel City Council gave their unanimous approval last Tuesday to a recommendation from City Manager Bill Nungester that the city lease additional office space in the Legel Building at 1473 Periwinkle Way to give city planners elbow room in which to conduct a five month-long effort to clarify the ecological zones outlined in Sanibel's comprehensive land use plan.

One of the main foundations on which the logic of the land use plan was built, the ecological zones map will be realigned by city planners and planning consultants

Wallace, Roberts, McHarg and Todd of Philadelphia on the basis of new aerial photographs and topographical maps of Sanibel which have been prepared over the past year at considerable expense to the city.

Nungester told the council last week that the ecological zone clarification would be completed within four to six months, and would cost the city an additional \$6,950 not allocated for planning in the city's current operating budget, which will be funded from Sanibel's share of federal revenue sharing funds received this year.

Burn nixed . . .

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for the maintenance of the Darling Refuge.

"That's a tinderbox in there," commented Councilman Duane White. "I'd rather see it burned after the rainy season."

Councilman Francis Bailey moved to deny Bond's request until after the coming summer rains, and the motion carried unanimously.

One upshot of the discussion last Tuesday was that the council ultimately agreed with George Campbell that the city should address the need for a regular program of control burning for all conservation lands on Sanibel to insure the health of the Island's unique natural environment and to minimize the threat of wildfire during the dry season.

"I wasn't disappointed," Bond said later last week with respect to the council's denial of his request for a city burning permit.

"I would have burned if they would have allowed it, but I'm not going to fight them," he added. "The reason why I wanted to burn now rather than waiting for the wet season was that we need to burn the dead vegetation which has accumulated in the sloughs, and you can't burn water."

Bond said that the objective of the Fish and Wildlife Service is to retain water on 50 per cent of the Bailey Tract. He said that because of the buildup of dead vegetation in the sloughs, less than 10 per cent of the tract is covered with water at the present time.

"The Bailey Unit is pretty sick," Bond continued. "We really need to get those sloughs dipped out."

Bond said that his office would use the federal money available for the Refuge to dip out the sloughs running through the tract with machinery, and that he will probably apply for another permit with which to conduct a controlled burn on the Bailey Unit next fall or early next winter.

"I've considered the wildlife, but there isn't really that much out there that would be affected by a burn," Bond concluded.

Bond added that the Main Tract of the Refuge is reasonably healthy and needs little attention at present, aside from additional rain to keep the 5 mile-long "Wildlife Drive" compacted and open to motorists.

Bond said that if the current dry spell continues, the weeks ahead may find the Wildlife Drive closed to traffic once again.

"Weeds n things" graphic gets

temporary approval

City Council gave approval last Tuesday to the Weeds 'n Things sign as it now stands.

Ray Davis, owner of the shop, was fined \$6 court costs on April 27 in Lee County Court for installing a new sign without applying for a sign permit when his original sign was damaged.

Davis' reason for not applying for the permit was based on the fact that he would not have been allowed to have any sign at all during the busy Easter season while his application was being processed.

Under a new amendment to the renewed emergency sign ordinance, special provisions have now been made for someone whose sign is destroyed to erect a temporary sign while a regular sign permit is in process.

The council also voted unanimously last week to approve the issuance of a temporary sign permit requested by Leslie Schurck for a sign at Sanicore Apartment Rentals at the Lighthouse Point Condominium at Sanibel's east end.

age workshop

to address the problem of effluent at the site of the system's main treatment facility off Donax Street. Nungester said that DER officials have been taking "a hard look" at the method of effluent disposal employed by the system and that Taylor wants to meet with the council to gain the city's help in working out a long-term solution to the problem that will be acceptable from both environmental and business planning standpoints.

The council has tentatively set a second workshop with Sanibel's Fire District Commissioners for the same evening.



Paving slated to start this week

Work began last week on the long-awaited paving to enable the fire trucks to respond to emergency calls without running the risk of being mired in sugar sand. The blacktop is expected to be put in place sometime this week.



police reports

A couple of informational and-or warning items before we get down to the police reports per se--- if you have not as yet learned the Sanibel shuffle, we suggest you do so soon. The Sanibel shuffle is what one does as soon as one enters the warm waters of the Gulf so as to avoid being hit by an unhappy sting-ray.

Sting rays, which are sort of a light tan and cream color, come in close to shore in this kind of weather and nestle right down in the sand. Understandably, if you think about it from their point of view, they object to being stepped on, so if you shuffle your feet along the bottom of the Gulf, the sting ray will have time to get out of your way, since he doesn't like being stepped on any more than you like being stung by him.

This is almost an infallible way to escape the sting with one exception--- if you happen to be going swimmin' and a-shufflin' with a lot of friends, a sting ray who is moving to get away from one of your friends may hit you by mistake--- but, then again, you could always get hit by lightning too!

Another thing--- even though it is a slow time of the year, there are still not nice people around who are just waiting for you to leave your purse or wallet in your car while you go shelling or swimming--- please take your valuables with you instead of leaving them in your car. Even a locked car.

If you have something of value which is too bulky to carry, put it in your trunk BEFORE you park at a beach access or a park--- unfortunately, there are also people who are on the lookout for the unwary visitor or resident who opens the trunk after arriving at a public parking area.

Now--- on to the news.

Alarms went off 25 times (we had a feeling that last week's low of four ding-a-lings wouldn't hold) with "that" one ringing 14 times, another, 5, and still another, three times. All were caused by loud noises or something else not related to burglary.

The call boxes were only used once; three dark house check were intensified because of open windows or doors, the SPD gave assistance of one sort or another 14 times, the ambulance and EMTs were needed five times, two traffic violation citations were written, five construction and-or heavy equipment operators requested police escort, two complaints were made about loud music and one about a noisy dog, one set of keys was found and turned in and two boys, a bunch of i.d. papers and a wallet were reported lost.

A report came in about an abandoned bike which was lying on its right (?) side in a ditch. UTL.

Dog bites man in unoccupied resort area. Seems man was trying to stop a dog fight.

A loud cement mixer was reported as being a bother in the wee hours of the morning. Seems that the cement mixer operator was due to lose a lot of money if work was not finished in time, and besides, it would only take 15 more minutes. Original complainant decided to be patient for 15 minutes. Everything okay.

Somebody drove a vehicle of some sort over a lawn and through some bushes. Vehicle GOA.

Know the difference between unlawful and illegal? Unlawful is an action which is in violation of a law or ordinance; illegal is a big, sick bird. Okay, say it slowly now.

A call came in to report that a bunch of kids were running around and making loud noises.

A complaint came in about "garbage blowing on their property." Officer investigated and did find one (1) piece of tinfoil and one

(1) piece of plastic. Spoke to owner of place where said items originated; dumpster being installed.

A sick pelican led a number of people on a merry chase but finally got away.

Those two lost boys reported on earlier were not really lost; they had just missed the bus and so were walking to school.

An auto B & E was reported with the resulting loss of \$415.00 of things, mostly CB radio equipment.

Somebody hit a power pole, resulting in a hot wire lying on the road. To disconnect hot wire, Cablevision cable had to be cut.

Abandoned vehicle removed according to a city ordinance.

A complainant stated that a vehicle was on the beach. Well, it wasn't below the vegetation line, so it wasn't illegal.

Another auto B & E --- this added up to \$195.00.

And ANOTHER auto B & E, with the loss of a ring and cash amounting to \$510.00 total.

A call came in reporting flares and or fireworks being set off on the beach in a specific area. Officer couldn't find any.

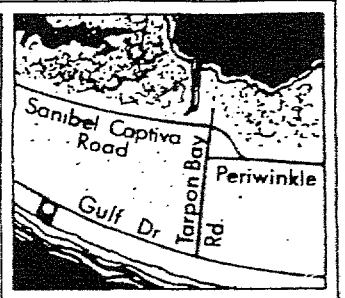
Someone ripped off a heavy brass coffee table from a place of business. When wondering how such a thing could have been accomplished, we were informed "very carefully."

Someone or ones has (have) been calling gulf front homes and then hanging up as soon as the phone is answered. One such callee thought that perhaps calls were made to see if anyone were home.

Broken window reported. Turned out to be a mysterious broken window, as it appeared to be broken from the inside to the outside. (somebody threw a chair or something?)

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Council revamps street graphic proposal

Mindful of the overwhelming input they received from Sanibel's business community at a special public hearing held on May 10, the Sanibel City Council met in a special workshop session last Wednesday to revise their proposed Street Graphic Ordinance for Sanibel in hopes of rendering it more acceptable to Island businessmen than the proposal which was aired and which met with vehement op-

recent public hearing. The council agreed to increase the maximum allowable size of certain types of signs on the Island to:

—40 square feet plus 10 square feet of supports for signs denoting resort housing complexes and subdivisions;

—4 square feet for real estate signs, over which "sold" can be displayed for one week following the sale of the advertised property;

—6 square feet for

two years for signs which do not conform to the city's current sign ordinance and to five years for those which conform to the city's past and current sign regulations.

According to Sanibel Mayor Porter Goss, a revised draft of the ordinance was to have been typed late last week and submitted to the Island Chamber of Commerce for businessmen to review as soon as possible. The



Not wanted . . .

By adopting the proposed Street Graphic Ordinance for Sanibel, the city council hopes to avoid an unsightly proliferation of advertising signs on the Island, such as this crassly commercial panorama which greets motorists on nearby Fort Myers Beach.

position at the recent public hearing.

After considerable debate last Wednesday, the council responded to the concerns of Island businessmen by deciding to rewrite the proposed ordinance so as to permit somewhat larger signs and more "items of information" on signs than had been called for under the previous draft of the law.

By deleting all mention of "syllables" in defining "items of information" for the purpose of the ordinance and by increasing the allowable number of items of information to be displayed on some types of advertising signs in the city, the council hopes to avoid much of the opposition that was offered at the

construction signs; and —30 square feet for building-mounted signs denoting single businesses not in shopping centers, among others.

The council agreed that if the owner of a single business not in a shopping center wants to erect a ground-mounted sign, he may do so within 20 square feet of surface area and 10 square feet of supports, unless his business is screened from view by a vegetation buffer, in which case he would be entitled to 30 square feet plus 20 square feet of supports.

The council agreed to another major concession to Island businessmen last week by increasing the period for compliance with the proposed ordinance to

Chamber's Civic Affairs Committee headed by Bill Frey has been particularly active in monitoring the council's efforts to draft a new and more equitable code of sign regulations for Sanibel.

Goss said that the council would hold another public hearing on the proposed Street Graphic Ordinance only if the Chamber and Island businessmen offer strong objections to the revised draft prepared by the city last week.

If last week's revision satisfies Sanibel's business community, said Goss, then the council will give the proposal a second public reading at their meeting on June 21, at which time the ordinance will be eligible for adoption as a law of the city.





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Astro Sean Combs winds up for another dynamite pitch in the Little League heart-stopper last week when the Yankees beat the Astros by one run. Sean is also quite a golfer.



An astro rounds first, headed for second while umpire Ray Rhodes keeps his eye on that ball.

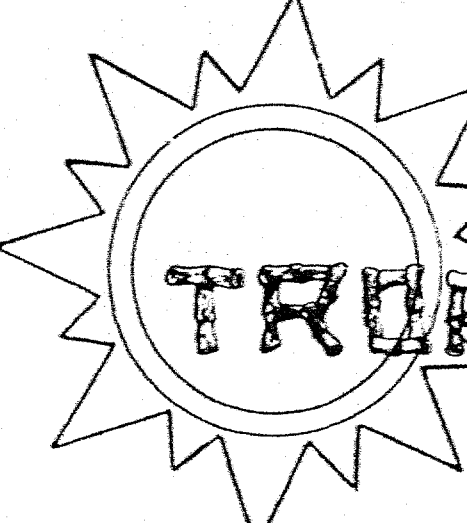
*Special events
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The Little League season will finish up next month with some pretty special events. On Saturday, June 4, after the games, The Sanibel

Inn will host the Little Leaguers at a banquet during which trophies will be given out to the Island players.

The league tournament banquet will be held on June 10 at the Fort Myers Beach American Legion, for the teams from both areas, when League awards will be presented.

On June 18, the Girls' County Tour will be held on the Beach. The Dodgers will play at 1:00 p.m.; the Tigers at 5 p.m. and the Indians at 7 p.m.



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20-Mission Impossible 3:00

20-Music Hall America 3:30

26-High Rollers 4:00

20-Grandstand 4:15

26-Peter Gunn 4:30

20-Major League Baseball '77 - Cincinnati vs. Los Angeles backed up by Atlanta vs. San Francisco 4:30

11-CBS Sports Spectacular 6:00

26-ABC Wide World of Sports 6:30

11-News Eleven 6:30

11-Thirty Minutes 8:30

26-Peter Marshall Variety Show 8:58

11-CBS Newsbreak 9:00 approx.

20-NBC News Update 9:00

11-All In The Family 9:00

11-Lawrence Welk 7:00

20-Eyewitness Weekend 7:30

20-Last of The Wild 8:00

11-Mary Tyler Moore 8:30

20-Emergency! 8:30

26-Wonder Woman 8:30

11-Bob Newhart 8:58

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11-All In The Family 9:00

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11-Morning Devotional 7:00

11-The Christophers 7:15

26-TV 26 Morning Feature: "The Great Sioux Massacre" 7:30

20-Davey & Goliath 7:30

11-Rex Humbard 8:00

20-The Lucy Show 8:30

20-Jimmy Swaggart Show 8:30

11-Oral Roberts 9:00

20-Norman Vincent Peale 9:00

26-The Turney Family 9:00

11-Old Time Gospel Hour with Jerry Falwell 9:30

20-Tony & Suzanne Alamo 9:30

26-Old Time Gospel Hour 9:30

20-Changed Lives 10:00

11-Catholic Mass 10:30

20-Hour of Power 10:30

26-Insight 10:30

11-Day of Discovery

20-NBC Saturday Movie: "Le Mans" starring Steve McQueen who, as a veteran race driver, has survived two accidents in the tuff Le Mans 24-hour race and tries for a third time.

26-Starsky & Hutch 9:30

11-Alice 10:00

11-Carol Burnett 11:00

26-Feather & Father 11:00

11-News Eleven 11:10

26-ABC Weekend News 11:10

20-Eyewitness News 11:15

26-American Theater (All Night Movies till 7 a.m.)

1) "Limbo," Kate Jackson (112 mins); 2) "The Running Man," Lee Remick, Lawrence Harvey (103 mins); 3) "Beat The Devil," Humphrey Bogart (89 mins); 4) "It Happened To Jane," Doris Day (98 mins).

11:30

11-Movie Classics: "Crime School," starring Humphrey Bogart, Gale Page and The Dead End Kids in the 1938 film in which a crusading commissioner transforms a bad reform school into a real one which helps boys get on the right track for the future.

11:40

20-NBC's Saturday Night, which, if you haven't already discovered it, is well worth watching.

26-Jr. Almost Anything Goes 10:55

26-Schoolhouse Rock 11:00

11-Riverside Baptist Church Services 11:30

20-Cathedral of Tomorrow 12:00

26-Gilligan's Island 12:00

26-Animals, Animals, Animals! 12:00

11-Camera Three 12:30

20-Medix 12:30

26-Issues & Answers 12:30

11-Face The Nation 1:00

20-Meet The Press 1:00

26-Directions 1:00

11-Untamed World 1:00

20-Sunday Film Festival: Double Feature: Tony Curtis in "Arrivederci, Baby," the tale of a lady killer - literally. Billed as a comedy. Followed at 2:40 by "Hurry Sundown."

26-Victory At Sea 1:30

11-Partridge Family 2:00

11-Porter Wagoner 2:00

26-TV-26 Afternoon Feature Movie: "Thirteen Frightened Girls" 2:30

11-"International Racquets Competition," featuring stars in the four sports which use racquets - tennis, squash, badminton and ping-pong. 2:40

20-"Hurry Sundown" the 2nd feature in Ch. 20's double movies, starring Diahann Carroll, Faye Dunaway and Burgess Meredith in a story of a Southern conflict within a family. 3:30

11-NBA on CBS - the National Basketball No. 3 Championship Game 3:30

26-ABC American Sportsman 4:30

26-ABC's World Invitational Tennis 5:00

20-"The Land," a religious documentary 6:00

11-News Eleven 6:30

20-Last Of The Wild 6:30

26-High Rollers 6:30

11-News Eleven 6:30

20-NBC Sunday News 6:30

26-Name That Tune! 7:00

11-Sixty Minutes 7:00

26-Wonderful Disney 7:00

26-"Nancy Drew" and-or "The Hardy Boys" Mysteries 8:00

11-Rhoda 8:00

20-NBC Mystery Movies: "Richard Brockleman," "The Missing 24 Hours" and (at 9:30) "Benny & Barney, Las Vegas Undercover" 8:30

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11-Sonny & Cher 11:00

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20-The Tonight Show 1 a.m.

26-"Streets of San Francisco" and "Toma" 1 a.m.

20-The Tomorrow Show 1 a.m.

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7:00

11-Gunsmoke 9:00 approx.

20-Adam 12 9:00

26-To Tell The Truth 9:00

11-Maude 9:00

11-The \$128,000 "???" 7:30

26-Treasure Hunt 8:00

11-The Jeffersons 8:00

20-Little House On The Prairie 8:00

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Wanted - junior angler contestants!

Perhaps the biggest news in this week's Island Open Fishing Derby is that there are no entries in the "Junior Angler" category at all. If you are under 14, register soon at the most convenient spot for you—the Bait Box, the Real Eel, Hook, Line & Sinker or any of the marinas on both Islands—the chances are quite good that you'll win a prize!

And don't

forget—registered fishermen and women who attend the Tuesday evening awards announcements at the Chamber of Commerce building on the Causeway approach are eligible for a mystery prize. For instance, Mark Bruno won a \$10 gift certificate from the Real Eel, Doreen Slitor, a \$10 certificate for a dinner for two or more at the Castaway's, Erma Henry won 220 yards of 14 lb. test Stren fluorescent line and John Frank won an adjustable rod holder, courtesy of Moss Marina on Fort Myers Beach, this past Tuesday evening.

The week's first prize winners in the fishing categories were:

—Lucille Fulton of Creola, Alabama, for a 3 lb., 8 oz. sea trout she caught at the fishing pier on May 9 using live shrimp as bait.

—Ed Hall, Sr., of Boca Raton, for a 14 lb., 10 oz snook he hauled in at midnight on May 13 when fishing from the pier on Sanibel.

—Mark Bruno of Sanibel for a 22 lb. cobia which he caught the morning of May 9 at the Causeway, using live ladyfish as bait.

There were no entries in the redfish category this week, and there have been no entries in the junior angler category at all.

Grand prize standings so far are:

Sea trout—Robert Muscillo of New York, 6 lbs.

Snook—Codman Hislop of Captiva, 29 lb., 12 oz.

Redfish—Bob Helper of Ohio, 9 lb., 2 oz.

Cobia—Nart Bruno of Sanibel, 22 lbs.

In addition to the grand prizes (vacations at local motels), a number of 'mystery' grand prizes will be awarded the final night of the contest, Tuesday, May 31. They will be won by drawing names of those registered derby fishermen present, plus one to the angler with the largest fish of record, the most fish entered, the contestant from



Mark Bruno, winner of the Cobia division in the Fishing Derby, grins as his name goes up on the winners' board at the Chamber of Commerce.



A group of Island Fishing Derby registrants wait expectantly for the week's results to be announced and the "goody bag" prizes to be awarded.

the most distant point and the best sportsman, plus some other categories they haven't thought up yet.

The mystery grand prizes include a Penn 309 reel, courtesy of the Penn Fishing Tackle Co. of Philadelphia.

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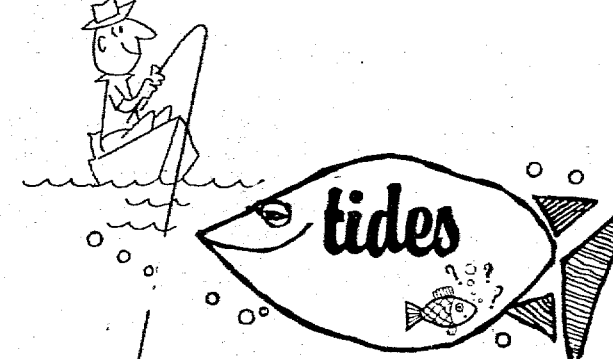
Tuesday, May 24 — Monday, May 30

DAY	DATE	PLACE	TIME	VISITORS	HOME
Tue.	May 24	Beach	5:30	Beach Bank Royals	Lions Cubs
Tue.	May 24	Beach	7:30	Sanibel Tigers	Kelly's Athletics
Tue.	May 24	Sanibel	5:30	Sanibel Astros	Carlos Bay Braves
Wed.	May 25	Beach	5:30	Kiwanis Pirates	Rotary Red Sox
Wed.	May 25	Beach	7:30	Sanibel Indians	Bobbi-Del Cards
Thu.	May 26	Beach	5:30	Sanibel Dodgers	Lions Mets
Thu.	May 26	Beach	7:30	Beach Bank Roy	Sanibel Astros
Thu.	May 26	Sanibel	5:30	Kiwanis Orioles	Sanibel Giants
Fri.	May 27	Beach	5:30	Sanibel Yankee	Carlos Bay Braves
Fri.	May 27	Beach	7:30	Rotary Red Sox	Lions Cubs
Sat.	May 28	Sanibel	9:30	Kelly's Athletics	Sanibel Tigers
Sat.	May 28	Sanibel	11:00	Bobbi-Del Cards	Sanibel Indians

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Mon.	May 30	Beach	5:30	Sanibel Dodgers	Kiwanis Orioles
Mon.	May 30	Beach	7:30	Kiwanis Pirates	Lions Cubs
Mon.	May 30	Sanibel	5:30	Lions Aux. Angels	Sanibel Giants



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Day	Date	12:12 AM L	6:54 AM H	11:10 AM L	* 4:40 PM H
Tue	24	12:12 AM L	6:54 AM H	11:10 AM L	* 4:40 PM H
Wed	25	1:02 AM L	7:43 AM H	12:53 PM L	* 5:53 PM H
Thu	26	1:51 AM L	8:18 AM H	2:31 PM L	7:20 PM H
Fri	27	2:37 AM L	* 8:53 AM H	3:54 PM L	8:52 PM H
Sat	28	3:25 AM L	* 9:27 AM H	4:55 PM L	10:15 PM H
Sun	29	4:00 AM L	** 9:59 AM H	5:51 PM L	11:36 PM H
Mon	30	4:39 AM L	** 10:31 AM H	6:44 PM L	---

Tides courtesy of Priscilla Murphy, Realtor, Inc.

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

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

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

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Sometimes we who live along the Islands, forget what a thrill it can be for a person to see a school of large tarpon roll on the top of the water for the first time. Non-fishermen probably won't understand the feeling, but for those who have heard about these strong fish and have come here to catch one, seeing that first tarpon jump sticks in the mind.

It happened a couple of days ago in Captiva Pass for two friends from Jacksonville. We were cruising through the pass on the way up the Islands when a few of the silver fish rolled in front of the boat. There was a moment of shock, when these guys could just stare, then came the mad scramble for rods, pinfish, hooks and places to cast. One fella stepped not on, but in, his tackle box, getting up to the bow of the boat.

Fishing for tarpon is only a religion with some people. There are many sayings about hunting for these fish and one goes that if you can see them, you probably won't catch them. There are exceptions, of course, but not this time.

We chased, along with a dozen other boats, this rolling school of tarpon all over Captiva Pass for over an hour. We threw every bait we had to them. All were ignored. I thought my friends were going to cry every time a tarpon would break the surface 20 feet from our boat.

Finally, one-by-one, the boats moved away as we did, with my two frustrated fishermen looking back as the tarpon continued to roll.

After lunch we stocked up

on bait and did some back bay fishing, but I could tell they guys were still thinking about the morning fishing and all those tarpon in the pass. We headed for Redfish Pass.

The best way to cover the

large area of the passes is to drift the boat slowly with the current, hoping that a snook, grouper or silver king will hit the bait.

We had drifted for 30 minutes before one of the rod tips bent straight to the water. For an instant I thought we had a bottom snag. Then the three of us looked up just in time to see a huge tarpon come leaping out of the water and crashing down a 100 feet from the boat. We had three rods out with heavy line and one with a 10-pound line. Guess which one the tarpon chose to fight us on?

Back and forth we went, the boat trying to keep up with the fish. One angler was cheering from the deck while the other on the bow, fought hard to crank in a little line.

But you know tarpon! This one did a U-turn and suddenly all three of us knew that it was headed back under the boat. Five seconds later the line went limp. I thought our fisherman was going to dive in after his

fish. "I always wanted to catch a tarpon," he said sadly.

Well, that is how to get tarpon fever. They say that you have to loose six before you can land one.

This exciting sport requires a stiff boat rod with a large capacity reel with 30 to 50 pound line and fresh pinfish. That seems to work best for the passes. When you have the fighting room in the Gulf or bays, you can get away with lighter tackle.

People come from around the world to fish for tarpon here, but many of us living here have never tired of it. It only takes one lost fish to get tarpon fever for life.

Memorial Day happenings here

All over the country on Monday, May 30, families will be eating hot dogs, hamburgers, having picnics and drinking beer.

The Islands are no exception. After an afternoon of softball, there will be a picnic for everyone at the Sanibel Elementary School. The Old Sports for Youth Sports League will supply the hot dogs, hamburgers and beverages. The ladies are asked to bring desserts, beans, cole slaw and other items in the picnic line,

said Dick Muench, who's in charge of the festivities. Donations will be collected to cover the League's costs.

The softball schedule for the Day is as follows:

12 noon: Sanibel Tigers vs. Sanibel Indians: Senior Girls' Exhibition Game
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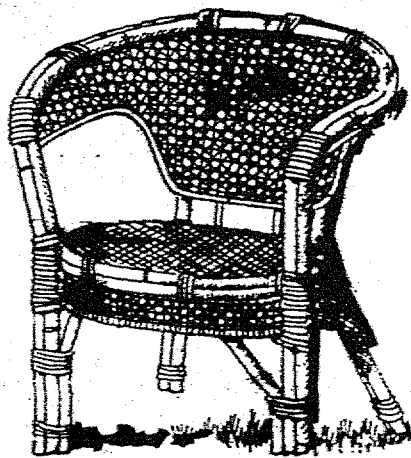
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The current lease, at a cost of \$1 per year paid to the Florida State Internal Trustees Improvement

Fund explicitly restricts the use of the property to fire control.

"Without clearing the move with state officials, the Fire Department's lease would be in jeopardy," said Fire Chief Allen Nave.

The issue became a moot point Thursday afternoon when the Fire District was told that the removal of their Fire Department equipment from the Rabbit Road

location would definitely increase the fire insurance rates of residents who live within a three-mile radius of the present station.

Until the new fire station at the corner of Bowman's Beach Road and the intersection of San-Cap Road is complete, the Fire District is unable to consider offering the Rabbit Road location to the SPD.

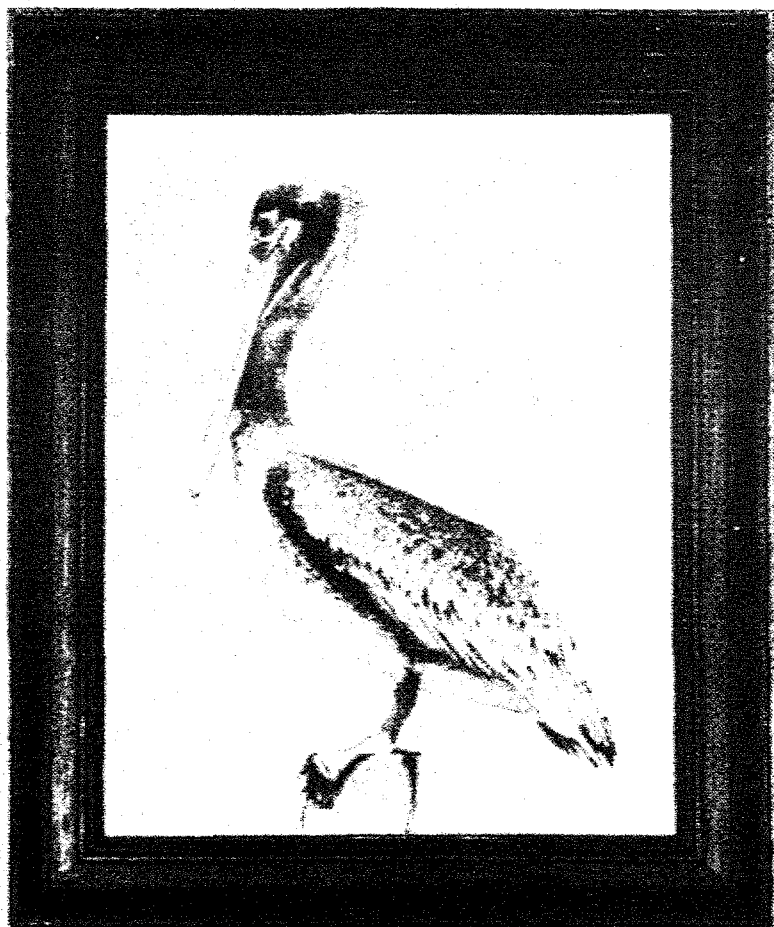
Fire chief gets autograph

Lillian Carter

What do you do when the President's mother makes an historical -- and unexpected -- visit to Community Center when you're having lunch? You grab the closest thing -- a place card in this case -- and get it autographed.

Said Fire Chief Allen Nave, "She came in so unexpectedly, and I wanted her autograph, so I got it on the only thing I could find."

What did he think of Lillian Carter? "She was very spirited. I was impressed with her and with the way she got along with the kids. She really likes the kids," Nave said.



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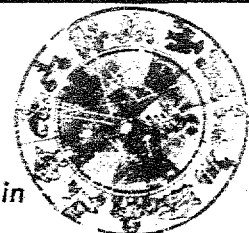
Date	Hi	Lo	Rainfall
May 13	82	70	None
May 14	84	65	None
May 15	(no reading taken)		
May 16	88	68	None
May 17	89	69	None
May 18	89	70	None
May 19	90	70	None

Weather around the country

City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp	Los Angeles cy	71	58
Albuquerque c	83	53	Louisville pc	82	62
Anchorage cy	55	43	Memphis pc	91	68
Asheville r	78	58	Miami Beach pc	82	68
Atlanta cy	82	62	Milwaukee c	86	58
Billings r	71	49	.02	Minneapolis pc	69	58	.26
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Boston c	89	64	New Orleans pc	87	64	.03
Buffalo c	88	67	New York c	80	64
Charleston S.C. r	81	70	Oklahoma City r	80	65
Charlotte N.C. r	84	66	.09	Omaha r	76	56
Chicago c	93	68	Philadelphia c	83	60
Cleveland pc	87	60	Phoenix c	98	68
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Duluth cy	65	56	.24	St. Louis c	89	65
El Paso c	87	51	Salt Lake City pc	74	60
Hartford c	89	57	San Antonio cy	80	69
Honolulu pc	85	72	.01	San Diego cy	65	58
Houston cy	82	74	San Francisco r	55	51
Indianapolis c	86	60	Seattle r	66	49
Jackson Miss. pc	88	66	Spokane r	69	52
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by gwen stevenson

As we were sitting at a local watering hole early last week, a couple beside us regaled us with the tale (tail?) of an alligator in an older and well-known Sanibel subdivision who had decided to sun himself on the heretofore relatively deserted beach. Well, if you think the beach was empty beforehand, try sharing it with a six-foot alligator and see how much company you have!

The couple, indubitably from Ohio, suggested cleverly, we thought, that Sanibel begin its own ethnic brand of joke-based on alligators. So, for what it is worth, we offer the following true 'gator tales.

Two little dear ladies came to stay at a main road motel. They awoke to a brilliant sunny Sanibel day, got dressed and prepared to sally forth to the beaches. They opened their front door and there, to their everlasting—and we truly trust this did not send them into such—found a very happy, contented alligator on the doorstep of their

cottage smiling up at them...

Another individual we know decided that this family was hungry and needed some "Sanibel steak" several years ago, whereupon, he happened upon one such and proceeded to prepare him for a long stay in the family freezer.

When all was calm, he loaded the alligator into the back seat of the car and proceeded up San-Cap Road, with his wife, coincidentally, in the car directly behind.

Halfway through the trip, ye olde "Sanibel steak" came suddenly back alive and began to thrash around in the back seat, with the lone driver attempting to navigate the car and subdue the supposedly dead alligator. All the wife could see from her vantage point was this 'gator flailing around in the back seat...

We guess everything worked out—they're still here; the alligator isn't.

Another Island resident wanted to go to the Everglades for whatever reason and wound up

discharging a shotgun into an alligator. Well! Maybe it was a lucky shot and maybe he was out-a-poachin' - we don't know. We do know that it is a felony to kill alligators and really, is it worth it? Anyway, this individual, realizing he had himself a dead 'gator in front of him, raced into the water to retrieve the beast when up popped two eyes and a b-i-g nose right beside him, whereupon he streaked (literally) for shore, with the live alligator hot on his tail. He got to a tree before the 'gator got him, fortunately, or unfortunately, depending on your point of view. End of poaching (?) trip.

Do you have a favorite ethnic 'gator story??? If so, send same to the ISLANDER, P.O. Box 3, Sanibel 33957. The most outrageous will be awarded an undetermined prize at this time, depending upon the caliber of entries. P.S. They must have happened before May 20, 1977. Oh, only green alligator stories will be considered. Names will be withheld if requested.



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Bridge

by Alfred Sheinwold

Which would you rather have in time of need—an extra king or queen or the ability to glare threateningly at an opponent? Most of us would settle for an extra queen, but the fellow with the venomous glare does all right most of the time.

East dealer
North-South vulnerable
NORTH
♦ Q 10 4
♥ 9 5 3
♦ A Q J
♣ A J 10 9

WEST ♦ 7 5 2
♥ 8 4
♦ 9 6 5 2
♣ K 8 6 5
EAST ♦ 6 3
♥ A K J 10 7
♦ K 8 7 3
♣ 7 2
SOUTH ♦ A K J 9 8
♥ Q 6 2
♦ 10 4
♣ Q 4 3

East South West North
1 ♥ 1 ♣ Pass 4 ♣
All Pass
Opening lead — ♥ 8

East took the top hearts and led a heart for West to ruff. West then led the eight of clubs and glared fiercely at South.

South was very unhappy. Everything had gone too quickly, and now he felt sure that East had the king of clubs. Why else would West be making those frightening faces?

South timidly put up dummy's ace of clubs, drew trumps and tried the diamond

finesse. East took the setting trick with the king of diamonds and returned a club to get another trick.

IRRELEVANT FINESSE

The diamond finesse was irrelevant. Even if it worked, South would be able to discard only one club. He would still need the club finesse.

If the club finesse worked, however, South wouldn't need the diamond finesse. He would discard a diamond on a club.

No matter what West returns at the fourth trick, South should take the club finesse and refuse the diamond finesse.

Even if an opponent huffs and puffs and threatens to blow your house down, you must still play a hand by logic rather than by fright.

DAILY QUESTION

Partner opens the bidding with one spade, and the next player passes. You hold: ♦Q104 ♥953 ♦AQJ ♣AJ109. What do you say?

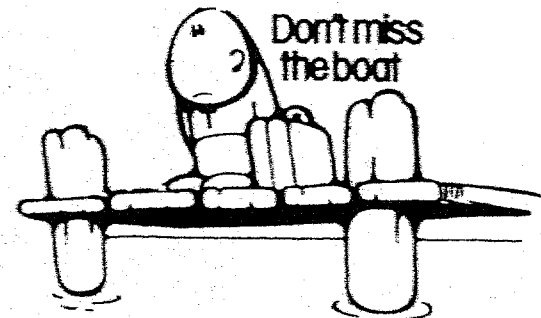
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Avery Daugherty, Emily Muench and Dianne Potts are in their second seasons as officers, while Sara Johnson, who isn't a parent

but does enjoy kids, will be looking after field trips.

The Center, open to children from two and a half through five years of age, will hold a summer session running from July 5-29 and August 1-26.

Morning hours will be 9 a.m. to noon. Depending on enrollment, the afternoon session will probably run from noon through 3 p.m.

The fee is \$60 per month for daily morning attendance. The two-day charge is \$24 and the three-day charge is \$36. For those enrolled in the morning session, which is basically a teaching program, afternoon enrollment is

available for \$1.00 per hour.

To raise additional funds the Children's Center is now holding a raffle. Ten Island motels have donated a week's vacation for a

family. The participating hostels include: Island Inn, the Ramada, Sanibel Beach Club, Sanicore Lighthouse Apartments, Shell Harbor Inn, South Seas

Plantation, Surfrider Motel, Snook Motel and the West Wind Inn (all subject to availability). Tickets are available in front of Bailey's General Store and Friday afternoons at the Bank of the Islands as well as at certain participating Island businesses. The costs are

\$1.00 each, 6 for \$5.00, 12 for \$10.00.

The drawing will be held Memorial Day afternoon at the Sanibel Elementary School and you don't have to be present to win — although with all the fun planned for Memorial Day at the ball field.

Obituaries

Kenneth R. Mull
Memorial services were held for Kenneth R. Mull, 65, at St. Michael's and All Angels Church on Monday, May 17, following his death on Friday, May 13.

Mull, a member of the Sanibel Captiva Lions Club and St. Michael's Church, lived at 413 Mariner Point on Sanibel.

He is survived by his wife,

Virginia Mull of Sanibel, three sons, Kenneth, Stephan and Douglas, all of Illinois, one daughter, Miss Margaret Mull of Michigan, and six grandchildren.

The Mulls moved to Sanibel from Michigan about four years ago, shortly after Mull's retirement from his position as vice president of a packing company.

Herbert L. Pickell

Herbert L. Pickell, 72, a Sanibel resident until a month ago, died May 14 in Singer Island, New Jersey. Funeral services and burial took place in Chester, N.J.

Pickell, a civil engineer and owner of two New Jersey construction material firms, was a member of the Sanibel Community Church and the

Sanibel-Captiva Kiwanis.

He is survived by his wife, Elizabeth, of Beach Haven, N.J., two sons, Herbert of Madison, Wisconsin, and Mark, of Beach Haven, two daughters, Mrs. Elizabeth Merring and Mrs. Edward Nelson, both of New Jersey, a sister, Mrs. Joseph Tichener, also of New Jersey, and eight grandchildren.



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