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A sparkling blast of a holiday weekend --

more coverage inside!

Sanibel loggerhead nesting season slow

by rich arthurs

"Where have all the turtles gone? is a question of no trifling interest thus far this summer to members of Caretta Research, a nonprofit organization based on Sanibel and dedicated the study and protection of the disappearing loggerhead sea turtle (Caretta caretta).

Every summer between the early weeks of May and the end of July, Caretta Research units up and down both the Guif and Atlantic coasts of Floridal conduct nightly beach patrols in search of nesting loggerheads.

These summer months are the traditional nesting season of the loggerhead when the female of the species crawls up onto quet mechlit beathes to ay her eggs in the sand

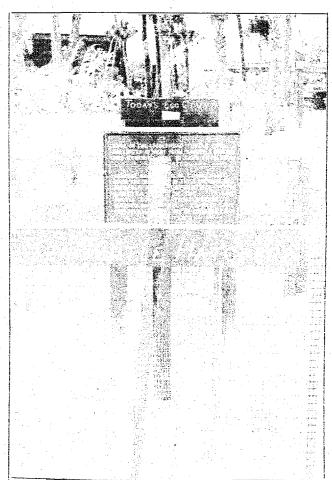
Since it's founding in 1969, Careta Research has worked to monitor this activity, while taking special pains in the attempt to preject loggerhead nests, or clutches, from human and animal predation. In the past nine years the Caretta Research project has grown from originally only Saribel and Captiva to include

Sable in the Everglades National Park, not to mention units on the Gold East Coast as well.

The Caretta program consists of weighing and measuring loggerheads

summer as compared to previous years.

Zajicek reported last week that in his nightly patrols from the Sanibel Lighthouse to the upper reaches of Bowman's



encountered by Caretta patrol units, tagging the specimen for future identification, and in certain cases relocating nests threatened with destruction.

According to Paul Zajicek, leader of Caretta's Sanibel unit, patrol units on Gulf coast loggerhead nesting beaches from Marasota activity on Sanibel is Key in the north to Cape extremely slow this

Beach, ne has not seen one new loggerhead nesting on the Island this year. New turtles, or "recruits," are specimens which have never been tagged before.

By the early weeks of July last summer, Zajicek reported that Caretta's Sanibel unit had tagged 15 new recruits, while observing the return of at least 10 loggerheads tagged in previous years.

Zajicek estimated last week that this season's population of nesting loggerheads in the waters around Sanibel includes only about five "return" turtles, which have been appearing on Sanibel's beach in regular two-week nesting cycles.

Caretta's statistics from previous years indicate that some turtles will nest as many as five or six times in a season, at intervals of roughly thirteen to fourteen days.

Zajicek said that other nearby units such as Bonita Beach Vanderbilt Beach have reported similar lack of activity this summer, while Caretta's unit on Manasota Key in the north reports that loggerhead nesting activity there is running on a par with previous seasons.

Zajicek added that oddly enough, he has received quite a number of reported loggerhead sightings from Captiva. where nesting incidents have been steadily declining in recent years.

Zajicek said that he and Caretta researcher Jim Anholt have been called to Captiva a

number of times in recent weeks and have located a few nests, although their efforts on Captiva are hampered by the distance they must travel to arrive at the scene of the sighting, and by occasionally vague reports from those

sighting the loggerhead. He asked all Islanders who sight logerheads or their nests on Captiva to furnish a precise location for the sighting when they call in to report their discovery.

"Captiva seems fairly active this summer," Zajicek reported last week. "Right now, Captiva is running ahead of Sanibel."

Caretta suddenly found itself without a full-time patrol on Captiva this season because of the recent departure of Caretta's former Captiva unit leader, Pat Hagan.

Zajicek went on to say that Caretta researchers have thus far relocated only one clutch of eggs to the new hatchery which was recently set up at the Sanibel Beach Club on Nerita Street. Under the agreement with Beach Club owners construction of the in previous years. hatchery early in June, two dozen clutches to the concluded. facility by July 10,

around Labor Day, according to Caretta founder Charles LeBuff.

As of last week, Zajicek said that the hatchery contained one clutch, amounting to 105 loggerhead eggs.

Zajicek could offer no firm explanation last week for the uncommon lack of nesting loggerhead turtles on Sanibel and elsewhere in the area this summer. He said that a number of theories have emerged in the attempt to explain the phenomenon-most prominently that the prolonged cold spell of the past winter has somehow served to delay the loggerhead nesting season by anywhere from two weeks to a month—although

Caretta researchers are not taking any bets.

Zajicek said that Caretta's Bonita Beach unit discovered one butchered loggerhead this season, but that no other poaching or destruction loggerheads has been reported.

He added that no other Caretta unit on either coast has reported sighting any turtles that which resulted in the were tagged on Sanibal

"We're just going to sit Caretta members were it out, hang tight, and see to have relocated up to what happens," Zajicek

Meanwhile, the whereby the eggs would mystery remains. Where have hatched sometime did the loggerheads go?

Capt. Leon Crumpler dead at 85

Capt. Leon Crumpler, 85, died Wednesday. His title of "Captain" was more than honorary, since he skippered all of the Kinzie Brothers' ferries including the "Best," the "Rebel" and the "Yankee Clipper," when the residents and visitors of Sanibel and Captiva were dependent on a regular ferry service in the pre-Causeway days before May, 1963.

Riding with Capt. Leon was often-and possibly always-more than just a boat ride. When the porpoises decided to play in the front wake of the boat, Capt. Leon would toot the ferry whistle once. Those who didn't know always looked up and said "What was that for?" to which those in the know replied, "Gee, why don't you take a walk up to the front of the ferry to find out?"

Needless to say, each and every passenger was charmed, not only by the playful porpoises, but also by Capt. Leon's thoughtfulness in alerting them.

were times, There however, when Capt. Leon leaned almost perhaps too far to provide regular service. Few who were around at the time will forget the fog bound trips during the spring of 1962, when the fog was so heavy it was hard to see your hand in front of your face, let alone the end of the ferry. But Capt. Leon didn't let a mere thing like fog stop him-he

park their car on the Sanibel side of the ferry run (as well as one on the Punta Rassa side) and about every two minutes, he'd toot one toot,

and the car would repeat the whole performance. While the ride a bit longer, he never missed the dock on pushed tide was running too shut off the engine, and wait either end of the run-an hard against him. He finally

arranged for someone to minutes, at which time he close to a full fledged hurricane, and he found that not only could he not get to this system perhaps made. Sanibel, he could not seek safety up river, as the wind-



Capt. Leon (facing camera) on the last voyage of "The Best" May 26, 1963

to hear the car respond with accomplishment he seemed two beeps of its horn.

At the sound, he'd nod, perhaps change direction three degrees-or mayhap ten-and run the engines for another two

Malone"

to take for granted, though the passengers most often thought of it as more of a miracle!

One time, however, he didn't make the dock at all-at least, not on the same day the ferry left the Punta Rassa slip. It seems that what Capt. Leon thought merely a "passing turned out to be

maneauvered the ferry into the relative sately of the bay flats, where he the ferry and the passengers rode out the storm throughout the

Capt. Leon, who arrived in Lee County from North Carolina in the early 1920's. started running boots for the Kinzie Bros. shorty after his arrival here, when the boat service to the blands consisted of stemboat Andrew Kinzie.

When the Kinzies started the ferry service in 1927 between Punta Rassa and the Islands, the first boat left the dock. "The Best," only carried passengers and freight, with powered wagons on the Island end of the trip. The first ferry boat designed to carry cars as well, "The Islander," started playing its way back and forth in 1935 and the very last trip was made on Sunday, May 26, 1963, the day the Causeway opened for business.

Capt. Leon was along all the way-from the first ferry to the last. The last ferry trip was made by two boats, "The Best" with Capt. Leon at the wheel, and "The Rebel," skippered by Capt. William Rhodes. Both boats were the scene of a late breakfast, prepared by the Hearsts who, at that time, did all the cooking for Island Inn, and were hosted by the Dick Kearns and the Paul Kearns, with just about every Islander of note aboard one of the two vessels. The youngest guest was Yevonne Nave-the oldest, Uncle Art Gibson-but the honors that day went to Miss Charlotta Matthews, whose family started the Island Inn and who had been a resident of Sanibel longer than anyone else around, since she arrived in 1891.

The stories of Capt. Leon are endless-perhaps a favorite was the time a married couple drove aboard in their expensive car which had a custommade cage where the auto's trunk was originally. The

"Gladys" captained by occupant of the cage was a chimpanzee, who proceeded (though it was a dead, flat calm) to get miserably seasick as soon as the ferry

"Well, folks," said Capt. Leon. "anything with two both being met by mule arms and two legs which gets seasick classifies as a paying passenger, so I'd be obliged for the fifty-cent fare for him."

"Don't be silly," said the woman. "That is obviously an animal, not a man!"

"If it gets seasick, it's a passenger," replied Capt. Leon. "However, I'll give you folks a break-I'll only charge you half-fare."

The husband began to sputter, at which point a fellow passenger quietly pointed out that it would be better to pay a quarter the it would to be perhaps no. make it back to the dock.

They paid.

It has been said many a time that to know a certain person was to love him with Capt. Leon, that was not a cliche-it was truth!

Capt. Leon's grandsons Richard, Matthew and Job Chappelle, Michael Briggs and David and Dean Lott were pall-bearers at the funeral this past Saturday, with the Rev. Morris K. Seckman officiating. Buriel was at Fort Myers Memorial Gardens.

Capt. Crumpler is survived by his wife, Mrs. Leon L. Crumpler of Punta Rassa, a son, Andrew L. Crumpler, three daughters, Ruby Lott, Barbara Briggs and Gloria Chappelle, all of For Myers, a brother, two sisters, 11 grandchildren four greatgrandchildren.



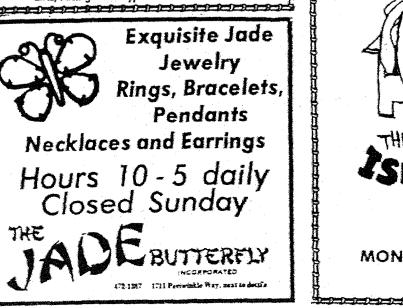


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County land plan sinks another director

by rich arthurs

On July 1, Lee County planning Department Director John Davidson resigned his post amidst controversy over the development of a comprehensive land plan for Lee County, marking the third such incident in the recent history of the county's low-key planning

Davidson, who cited 'personal reasons' for resigning the post he has held for less than a year, has in recent months come in for criticism from sources both within his department and elsewhere over his lack of sound planning credentials and inability to guide his staff in the preparation of comprehensive land use plan for Lee County.

Davidson's predecessor, Bill Harris, resigned the job in March of 1976 over his failure to gain the former county commission's approval of a Lee county plan. The planning department's first director, Mac Irwin, was fired by the commission in 1973 during a controversy over the quality of his work.

Davidson's credentials as director of the planning department, which include a degree in mechanical engineering and engineering experience in India and Jamaica, came in for scrutiny recently in a report on the county's planning effort prepared by the consulting firm of Post, Buckley, Schuh and Jer-

There is general concern that there has been a lack of progress toward complishment of the comprehensive plan,' the report listed among its major findings.

There is concern that the planning staff leadership has not focused on the primary mission of planning in Lee County, the report continues.

The consultants proceeded to recommend that the county commission 'designate a staff director oriented

assimilation of planning data multiple sources; preparation and publication of planning reports and implementation of a review process,

In light of the requirements of Chapter 163 of Florida Statues that all local governmental bodies in the state must adopt a comprehensive plan by July 1, 1979, the firm recommends that the commission 'define the primary goal of the planning staff for the next two years to be the preparation of the Lee County comprehensive plan.

The county's planning department and planning effort as a whole has been shrouded in controversy since its inception.

In the past, former commissions have blamed the lack of good progressive planning in Lee County on incompetent planning directors, while past and present members of the county planning department

point to negative attitudes held by former commissioners and other prominent Lee Countians as the major obstruction to agressive land use planning in Lee County.

At the very least, it seems that the job of planning for one of the nation's fastest-growing metropolitan areas has taken its toll on planning department directors.

The county commission is once again expected to face the necessity of finding leadership for Lee County's planning effort at their meeting this Wednesday.

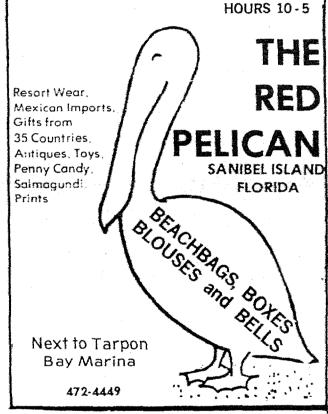
With the ever-increasing demands being placed upon County's already inadequate roads, water supply, sewer, schools and other public services, county taxpayers should hope that the current commissioners can learn from the mistakes of the past in making their selection.



Signal Inn celebrated its opening this weekend with the celebration of the marriage of Terry Kerouac of Clearwater and Fran Davis of St. Petersburg, who were married by Rev. John Choate against a backdrop

mangroves, sun, sand and surf. The wedding party,(I. to r.): Sue Piotrowski, matron of honor; the new Mrs. Terry Kerouac, Terry Kerouac, the groom;Sage Piotrowski, the best man; the Rev. John Choate who performed the ceremony.

See Signal Inn story on page 22







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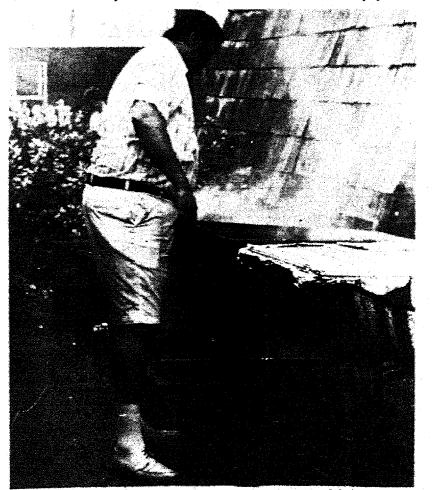


And still they came ... over 500
enjoyed the American Legion's fish fry
(or shall we say feast?) Sunday,
preliminary estimates hint that
funds raised may exceed \$2,000!

Your astrological week

especially cast for Sanibel and Captiva Islands by madam dorinda

but that obviously didn't bother these four merry picnicers!



A damp Sam Price continues to cook up chicken, sausage, etc., donated to the Dunes affair by Sam's Meats & Deli.

The Bank of the Islands donated the beverages

(not counting the rain, which came from a Higher Source!)

Aries: You should avoid engaging in too much social activity or making rash monetary moves. You can be unusually effective in the conduct of private affairs, secret projects.

Taurus: Don't let your impulses get you into a peculiar involvement now. You will work best at something you expect to display to the world. Young persons in your life might be source of danger or controversy.

Gemini: If buying, consider mistakes you have made in the past. Home and family interests cause concern in that you will feel your responsibilities heavier now. Trip possible around the 13th.

Cancer: Don't procrastinate with arranging necessary contacts; your natural hesitancy may lose you an opportunity. Be more hopeful; things will work out for the best if you stick to your ideals.

Leo: A partner or associate may have a better grasp of the situation than you do. Interesting developments in the near future are connected with your social circle. Set a good example for youth.

Virgo: Preservation of existing social, intimate relationships is accomplished by a charitable attitude, reluctance to criticize. A change for the better in work coming soon.

Libra: Choose your words wisely so as not to arouse jealousy or resentment with coworkers. Don't schedule unnecessary travel. Your judgment of issues and people should be tops.

Scorpio: This is a favorable time for finishing up old business matters. Accent cooperation, allow your mate or partner to take the initiative in important matters. Get rid of things not useful.

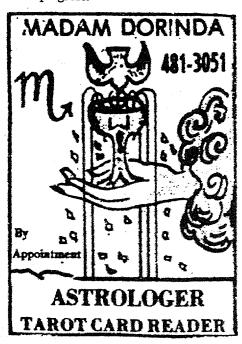
Sagittarius: Whatever has entertainment value is favored. Remember to keep dues

paid up; be prepared for unexpected expenditure. Marital and partnership problems may create emotional disturbances.

Capricorn: Stay in the background to avoid complications and emotional scenes with neighbors and kin. Keep confidences to yourself. You will get attention whether you want it or not.

Aquarius: You may be having so much fun that you forget necessary routine which could cost you a lot in time and money. These are negative days for buying and selling. Watch for hazards at home, or work.

Pisces: A change in job or assignment is likely. Visits, conversation are congenial and children are a source of pleasure. Be bold in asking questions and directions for faster progress.



STORK SIGHTINGS SOUGHT

The Florida Audubon Society and the Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission are requesting public assistance researching one of the lesser known birds of the Sunshine State, the wood stork.

According to Audubon researcher John C. Ogden of Tavernier, 300 nesting storks have been marked on the left wing with a red rectangular plastic tag held by a yellow button.

Persons sighting the marked birds are urged to report the date and location of the sighting to John C. Ogden, 115 Indian Mound Trail, Travernier, Florida 33070.

Islanders at work and play

by gwen

stevenson

Congratulations are certainly the order of the week this week to Maude and Harvey Meyer of Captiva on the birth of the first great-grandchild on Harvey's side, an eightpound, seven-ounce boy. named Michael Alan. The proud parents are Linda and

Alan Daniels of Gennessee, Idaho. Alan, who is Harvey's grandson, is taking an aircraft mechanic's course there and is also serving as chief of police.

-and to Anne and K. Kemper, who celebrated 40 years of marriage last Sunday (July 3). Mr. and Mrs. Kemper III were from the New York area and moved to Sanibel in August of 1974.

-Maude Meyer also told us that she has spotted two turtle crawls and nests in their area. According to Caretta Research, nesting has been more active this

year on Captiva than in previous years or than it is this year on Sanibel. We will be looking for baby turtles the first week in August.

Mr. and Mrs. John Clifford and their daughter Patsy, of Owings Mills, Maryland, are visiting their son, Thomas Clifford, who makes those beautiful shell boxes and cases at Elsie Malone's Shell Shop. With what we suspect was an inside tip, we're told that Patsy found a four inch junonia while shelling on the beach in front of Zic Zac about a week ago. Although

plentiful earlier in the season, after a few heavy storms, finding one on shore at this time is a special treat.

Tom's nine-year-old daughter, Francy, of Chambersburg, Penn., who is visiting here for the summer, was delighted when she recently got a chance to visit Disneyworld accompanied by Grandmama and Grandpapa Clifford shortly after they arrived on Island.

Mary Ann Hylton was conference coordinator recently for the Church of the Brethern Annual Conference in Richmond, Va. During the five-day seminar, attended by over 9,000 conferees from all over the world, there were the usual conference coordinator's trials and tribulations designed to try the patience of Job-the most crucial of which happened, through no fault of the coordinator's, 30 minutes before the appearance of the keynote speaker, Andrew Young. All the lights went out in the colosseum as the audience was filing in. A solution reached by the inventive Mary Ann was to have them turn on the arc lamps used mammouth facility-and there was light!

Idle Hours (Craft and Hobby Shop) in Periwinkle motel occupancy rates were Place is offering something reported to be in excess of 90 constructive to fill up those hours-Mini-craft classes every Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday mornings from nine until 11 a.m. Each class costs \$5 and includes all materials. The classes are for beginners of all ages.

The Tuesday sessions will be devoted to weaving. "The type of weaving we will be working on is the flat-loom average since 1973 in this kind," said shop-owner and instructor. Barbara Boulton, "and the finished product can be used as Memorial Day Festivities: either a pillow, wall hanging Porter Goss and Bob Potts, or pocketbook."

Students will be supplied frider, respectively, gave Barbara thinks finished the project by the Potts donated his to the time the class is over at 11 Lions Club.

If learning macrame interests you, it's available off to a fine start were Ray on Fridays. Barbara is and Sue Fenton who hosted planning on teaching her an office party for friends macrame students how to and employees of the armake shell necklasses chitectural firm of Fenton during those classes.

by the end of the class, they ladies, gentlemen and may carry all their kiddies enjoyed themselves materials home with them in the noon sunshine with and Barbara says, depend unch around the pools. ding on how busy she is with the shop, she will be glad to help out with some extra the opening of Chez Roninstruction, if needed.

Lessons are limited to five date of Thursday students each. If you're has been set. The new her at 472-1039.

Back from University Hospital with a

were relatively clean bill of health and showing his father around the Islands last week, was Gary McCandless. Gary, a geologist, has been making his other home in Belem, Brazil, recently and managed to acquire a tropical nasty, but has evidently convinced it that he was not its cup of tea.

> Dr. Garrett McCandless, Sr., of Franklin, Pa., thoroughly enjoyed his visit. he told the ISLANDER, and found that he and Paul Howe had many Philadelphia friends in common. (Belem, incidently, translates to "Bethlehem" in English, which must, somehow, be appropriate....)

The Caloosahatchee Chowder and Marching Society held their Ladies Day sailing event June 25. Krista Wilson and Winnie Comlossy, with husbands Dwight and Fred, sailed the Wilson boat to a first place finish in her division (Class A corrected time). Skipper Krista and crew celebrated their well-deserved win at the Mucky Duck.

According to Florida Trend, a magazine relating to business and finance, the Florida Composite Index for March in the southwest portion of the state was for ice hockey in the revised upward by almost 20 points to 190.8, with tourism accounting for over half of the upward revision. In the same region, hotel and percent.

> There was other good news in the employment element of the index, which was also revised upward. The preliminary data available for the April value of the index is that it is probably going to climb at least two points higher. This is the highest March

A postscript to the who won two week-long Wednesdays will be family vacations at South allocated to needlepoint. Seas Plantation and Surwith a kit, yarn and picture. away their prizes-Mayor that Goss returned his to the everyone will likely be Children's Center and Bob

Getting the Fourth of July and White Associates on If students aren't finished Friday. Twenty-seven

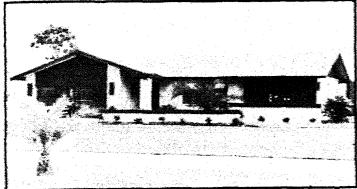
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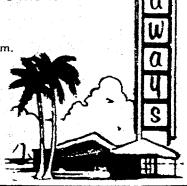
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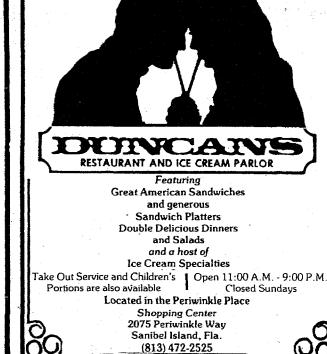
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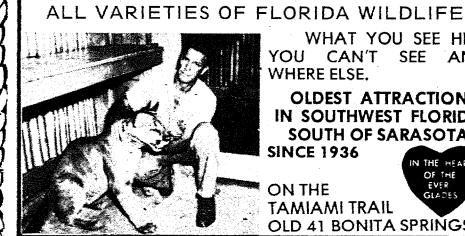
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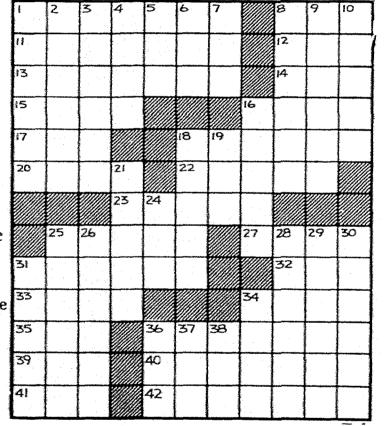


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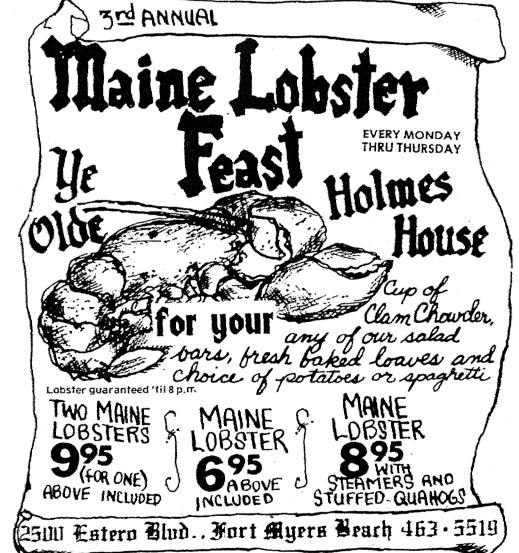
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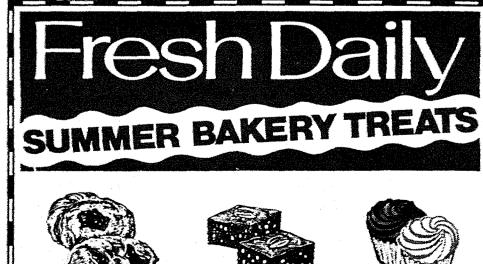




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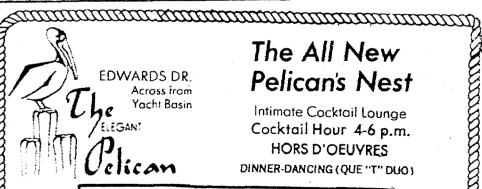
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New chamber brochure

Within recent weeks, a new guidebook has appeared on the Islands featuring one of the most colorful overviews of Sanibel-Captiva living ever to greet visitors to Island shores.

"Sanibel and Captiva...
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Islands in the Sun" is the
title of this new tourist
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the Sanibel-Captiva
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Written, photographed and produced by Brownell Associates of Sarasota, the Chamber's new guidebook contains 61 pages of beautiful full-color photography covering everything from shopping the Islands, accommodations and restaurants to wildlife, shelling boating and civic affairs.

The brochare also includes short feature articles on almost every imaginable aspect of Island life. In this respect, the booklet provides newcomers to the Islands an introduction to Island civic groups and

clubs, conservation agencies, annual events, history, activities, fishing, churches and government, among other features of life on the seashell Islands.

All of the material in the booklet was composed by Brownell's staff and was edited by the Chamber's Executive Director Walter Klie.

The cost of publishing the booklet was supported by the sale of the advertising it contains, which, according to Klie, amounts to about sixty percent of the guidebook's content.

Klie added that 25,000 copies of the brochure were printed for use as Chamber "mailers" in response to those who write in requesting information about the Islands.

Aside from mailing, the new guidebook is being distributed primarily through the Chamber of Commerce welcome station on Causeway Road. Copies of the brochure are available to Islanders and visitors at 25 cents per copy.

the weather

The Islander's undaunted weatherman, Walter Klie of the Sanibel-Captiva Chamber of Commerce weather station on Causeway Road at Sanibel's east end, reports that almost three inches of rain fell on Sanibel throughout the month of June.



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The morning-freshened air invigorated those Islanders and guests who arose in the pre-dawn hours yesterday to attend the Fourth of July Sunrise Service on the Causeway. Even Mosquito Control's DC-3 dipped his wings in salute as he passed by the area shortly before the beginning of the service.

Nature, its beauty and the parallel of our natural resources to a godly life was the message of the dawning 201st birthday of the United States.

Mayor Porter Goss, in his greetings, reminded the audience that we on earth are trustees of God's bounty and suggested that a return, for guidance, to the Country's Constitution would render us the inspiration we need to keep the country safe for our heirs as our forefathers did for us.

Wilbur Shannon introduced Allan Hartley, a Sanibel resident, author and artist who has spoken in over 1,000 churches throughout America and who delivered the morning's message.

Mr. Hartley likened God's way to that of a mangrove, enlarging upon a theme in Rev. Arthur Kontinos' morning scripture reading. The godly life, said Mr. Hartley is a parable to that of the mangrove—the mangrove's sea pods float along the water and then it puts down roots and grows.

"America," he continued, "is great when it is good. When America has strayed from that path, America has not been great. The spirit of liberty is truly the spirit of him who lived 2,000 years ago," Mr. Hartley said, "one that we have never learned, but never quite forgotten." "America," said Mr. Hartley "has come closer to that spirit than any other country."

Concluding, he pointed to the breaking sunrise and said it was a symbol of what we can see day-by-day, if we but have the eyes to see and the ears to hear.

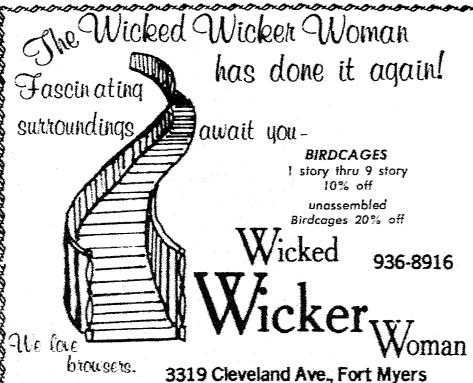
Laurel Kearns in traditional and pretty red, white and blue, told the gathering, in her address on a teenage Islander speaks of God and Country, that hers is not a turned-off generation-that, in facing the challenge of becoming a citizen, they must be and are willing to take action and not just sit back."

"A natural goal for our generation," Miss Kearns said, "would be to try to make the world better for our children, but we can't do it alone. The United States can't do it alone. We need God's help. We need to go back to basics and to need God in our day-to-day lives."

A patriotic songfest was directed by LeeRoy Friday, while Vincent Cannamela sang a gospel song and a patriotic melody finishing with a stirring rendition of "America."

The invocation was given by Rev. Gerald Frost, First Baptist Church while Rev. Judson Westgate, The Shepherd of the Islands Lutheran Church gave the benediction.

Mark Kyllo led the Pledge of Allegiance.



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Wetlands property withdrawn

Council received a report from the threemember committee they had appointed to review a number of pieces of property which were offered for possible city acquisition as the site of a future municipal services office complex for Sanibel.

At that time, the Site Selection Committee recommendations as to the best of the fifteen or more sites offered to the city. The committee's three top choices, in order of priority, were:

-a 14-acre wetland tract south of Island Inn Road offered by the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation for \$105,000;

-the 7.76-acre Blakely property fronting on Periwinkle Way just west of the Episcopal Church, carrying a price tag of \$324,500; and

-a 4.6-acre tract directly across Periwinkle Way from the Sanibel Community House offered by the Sanibel Community Association for \$195,000.

The committee's recommendations were offered at the close of their review of all of the sites offered for city purchase, which were evaluated over a period of some months on the basis of criteria such as size

Late this past April, the Sanibel City wetlands would make it impossible to defend the restrictions of the plan now imposed on privately-owned wetland property," Bosselman informed Councilman White, the chairman of a special ad hoc committee on site selection which the council appointed recently to study the matter.

"The distinctions suggested by the presented the city council with their Foundation between municipal construction and private construction are questionable at best," Bosselman continued. "If city hall were to be built in the wetlands, private developers would surely suggest that the restrictions on private development were designed to bring down the price so that the city could pick up land cheaply-a fatal flaw from a legal standpoint."

"In my opinion," Bosselman concluded, "the ultimate result of constructing city hall in the wetlands would be widespread development of condominiums and commercial structures on other wetland sites."

In the wake of Bosselman's opinion, Foundation Chairman Dewitt Jones submitted a letter to Councilman White last Thursday withdrawing the Foundation's offer from further consideration by the city.

"I'm sure you and your associates on the city council recognize that our offer was



City Council's special ad hoc committee on site selection, which met last week to debate the merits of various pieces of property that have been offered to the city for acquisition as the site for a proposed city office complex.

and cost of the parcel, location, environmental character of the site, probable cost of developing the land, and accessibility to traffic on the Island, among others.

Last week, the Site Selection Committee's first choice for the site of a future city hall-the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation's property south of Island Inn Road-was withdrawn from consideration by the city because of possible conflicts with Sanibel's comprehensive land use plan which might arise were the city to attempt to develop the site.

At the present time, the Foundation's property south of Island Inn Road in the Sanibel Gardens Subdivision is designated wetlands-lowlands in the ecological zones map contained in the city's land use plan.

The land use plan imposed stringent development standards on the wetlandslowlands and expressly prohibits comecological zone. According to City Manager Bill Nungester and Planning Director Carleton Ryffel, a new city hall would of necessity be classified as a commercial use under the current provisions of the plan.

were to a great extent resolved last week by have only two sites to compare." a letter to Councilman Duane White from the city's consulting attorney Fred Bosselman, development in the city's site selection of the Chicago law firm of Ross, Hardies, process would move the Blakely property to O'Keefe, Babcock and Parsons. Bosselman the top of the city's purchase priority list. has been active both in the preparation and followed closely by the Community in the defense of Sanibel's land use plan in Association's property on Periwinkle Way.

struction of a municipal building in the never offered." he concluded.

made in good faith with a view to helping the city," Jones informed White in the letter. "However, based on Mr. Bosselman's opinion that use by the city would have just the opposite effect, it seems clear that we must withdraw our offer from consideration as we would not want to do anything that would jeopardize the land use plan."

Although Councilman White was not available for comment prior to the ISLANDER deadline last weekend, we spoke with Fred Valtin, chairman of the city's original Site Selection Committee and a member of the council's special ad hoc committee on site selection.

"From the very beginning, the Site Selection Committee was not unmindful that the Foundation's property is in the wetlandslowlands," Valtin said, "but we assumed that the Foundation's board of directors would not do anything in contravention of mercial uses in the wetlands-lowlands their charter, which calls for environmental preservation. Also, there's no question that the site is already badly disturbed from an environmental standpoint."

"I really can't say what will happen from now on," Valtin added. "The withdrawal of The legal issues surrounding the question the Foundation's offer means that we now

Valtin guessed that last week's new

"I would imagine that the current "From a legal perspective, the con-situation is as if the Foundation's site were

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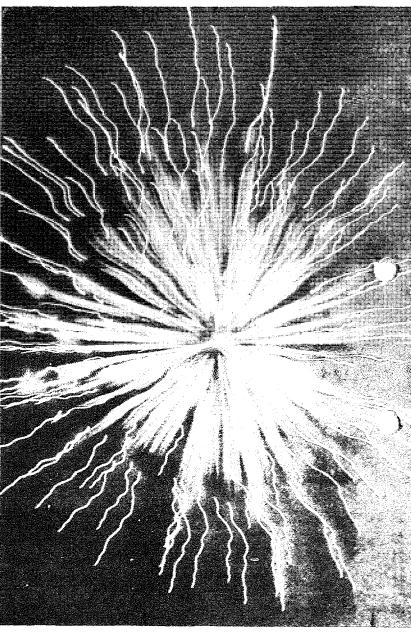
Even though it seemed for a while the lightening might outdo

Sunday's fireworks display, the work crews continued their efforts.

The weather cleared, producing an unbelievable sunset

followed by fantastic fireworks!





Planning commission approves condo

In regular session last Monday morning, the Sanibel Planning Commission voted to approve the construction of one new condominium on Sanibel, while voting to recommend denial of two other multi-family developments on the Island.

By a unanimous vote, the commission approved the issuance of a development permit to former Island resident Vaughn J. Cannon for the construction of a 29-unit condominium project on a 5.8-acre waterfront tract of land south of Lighthouse Way at Sanibel's east end.

Currently a resident of California, Cannon's request was presented to the Inn. city planners last week by engineer Ike Stewart and Cannon's business consultant. Jim Dvorin.

Dvorin said that the project will be developed in three phases by Shell Island Beach Club, Inc. of Fort Myers, with the first phase of construction slated for completion by the end of this Brodeur, argued that the city should vear.

He informed the commission that the second phase of the project will probably be developed over the coming year, while estimating that the project as a whole should be completed by January 1, 1980.

In voting to approve a development permit for the project, the commissioners stipulated that each phase of construction is to be brought back for their final review before city building permits for the work can be issued.

According to Dvorin, the developers have not yet decided how they will

market the 29 new units in the condominium. He said that a number of alternate marketing methods are still being considered, including interval

The property is located just south of the Lighthouse Condominiums.

In another hearing last Monday, the commission voted unanimously to recommend that the city council deny a specific amendment to Sanibel's Comprehensive Land Use Plan which was requested by Frank and Edward Cassavell to permit the construction of a 7-unit multi-family development south of West Gulf Drive between Beachview Cottages and the West Wind

The project requires a specific amendment to the city land use plan because of the developers' desire to erect six of the units seaward of the coastal construction setback line contained in the master plan.

The Casavells' attorney, Richard grant the desired variance to the coastal setback because the property has been marked by dramatic accretion in recent years and because a denial of the request would serve to deprive the developers of the use of about half of their land.

The commissioners voiced objections to granting an exception to the coastal setback because of the developers' plans to install a swimming pool and tennis court on the portion of the property landward of the setback line.

"I think you're trying to crowd too much on too small a piece of land,"

jected to the proposal.

"I believe that this project could be rearranged and still give you a reasonable use of the property," added Commissioner Don Marshall.

Brodeur argued that the city's coastal setback line is not "the Ten Commandments" and said that the decision was purely a political one, although ultimately, the commission voted to a man to uphold the city planning department's recommendation of denial for the request.

commission The also unanimously last week to recommend denial of a specific amendment requested by Edward Graesser of Porto and Graesser Corporation which asked to carry out their proposed 11-unit expansion of the Seawind Condominium on East Gulf Drive.

Under the provisions of the city land use plan, only three units would be permitted on about three-quarters of an acre remaining at the site, on which ten condominium units were constructed prior to the city's incorporation.

Graesser's request for a density increase was based on the fact that Lee County issued building permits for 21 units on the property in December of 1973, but the permits were subsequently allowed to expire.

"I'm asking you for something I had before you were incorporated," Graesser told the commission. "From my standpoint, I feel like a victim. For me to have only three units for my

Commissioner Twink Underhill ob- property which was commercially zoned is bad. The way it's zoned now, my property is a total loss to me."

"I am prepared to protect my rights in a court of law, although I would prefer to avoid it," Graesser said after hearing the commission's vote to recommend that the city council deny his request. "I'm willing to work with you, but I feel I'm entitled to some consideration on the basis of what went before."

In other action last week, the planning commission voted to:

-recommend approval of a specific amendment requested by Claire and E.W.P. Smith to permit the construction of an addition to an existing residence in the Kearn's Subdivision at a distance of 20 feet from the front property line;

-recommend denial of a specific amendment requested by John Mac-Neil and Henry and Virginia McKee to allow each of two contiguous lots in the Shell Harbor Subdivision to be independently deemed "buildable" under the terms of the land use plan: and

-to continue the hearing on a request from Robert W. Taylor, President of the Mariner Pointe In WC Condominium Association, for a specific amendment to permit the paving of the sand and shell access road and parking area at Mariner Pointe.

All specific amendment requests beca heard by the commission last Monday are slated for a first hearing by the city council on the afternoon of July 19.

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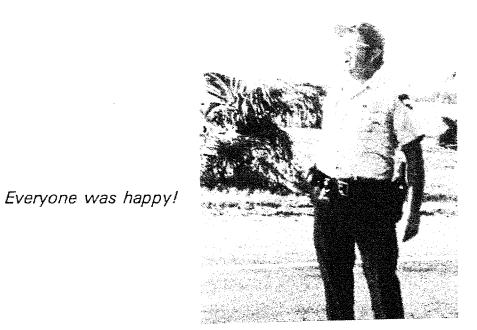
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Noreen Twombley comes home for the Foxes who lost to ESI by 8 runs. The Lady Lions remain undefeated (and in 1st place) after the holiday weekend. In the men's league West Wind still leads.

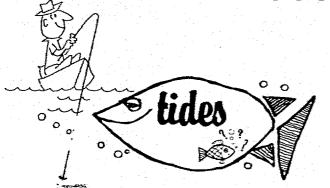


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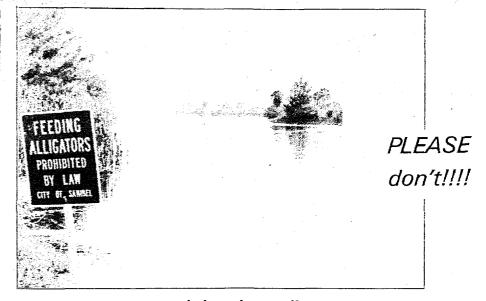
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"Shallow water tarpon Bay waters. ishing is really quite exciting," said Capt. Jerry Way, a fishing guide out of especially in the early

They are most prolific, there for the past several the incoming tides in the about four to six feet deep

> Snook hit well during the full moon,

You have to be a dedicate; snook lover to get up then. Redfish Pass seems to be the favored location.

For fast and furious shark fishing, Capt. Way says that there are an extraordinary number of shark up by the bell buoy off Boca Grande Pass where the shrimpers are laying off shore.

Shark stories are now, or course, making the rounds. Up at the Scurvy Dog in Matlacha Pass, the latest one is about a fisherman hooking a shark that was as big as his boat and, terrified by the size of the fish, the fellow cut his line!

"It might have been as big as his boat," one skeptic noted, "but how big was his boat anyway?"

The next story, credited to Sanibel, was a littel more frightening however.

A fellow was out tarpon fishing, before the tarpon moved into shallower water-he hooked a five-foot silver king, estimated at 90 pounds.

The usual battle between man and fish ensued, but suddenly, the 90-pounder became a 45-pound, severed in half by the bite of a hammerhead shark.

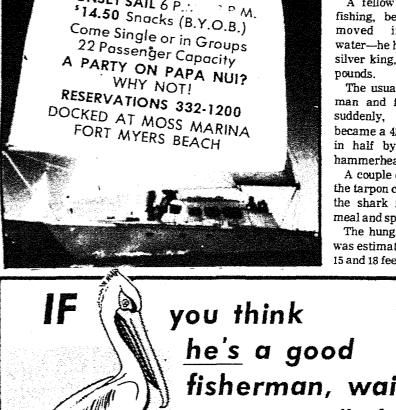
A couple of minutes later. the tarpon ceased to exist as the shark finished out his meal and spit out the hook.

The hungry hammerhead was estimated to be between 15 and 18 feet long.

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It's the day after the Fourth of July and all over Florida, those who look out for us on the water are taking a deep breath and counting the days until Labor Day weekend.

It's almost an American tradition that on summer holiday, you owe it to your country and economy to tear apart something on your boat or at the very least, to get in trouble in one way or another.

When that happens we almost routinely expect that assistance will be waiting for our call to solve our blems and speed us on our way.

This week, we wanted to take a look at some of those people who don't find the big holidays very much fun and probably would just as soon forget all about them. Here's the way it is for some who work while we play.

mid-afternoon. yesterday, a telephone rang at a modest house and the wife of a boat mechanic picks up the receiver, almost knowing what the caller has to say. She yells out the back door, "It's Sid Wrecker. He's calling on his boat radio. He's on Pine Island Sound. His engine is on fire. His bilge pump is not working. His wife just left him for another boater and he wants to know if you can come right out? What should I tell him?"

The mechanic holds his head in his hands. "Tell him at I'm on my first day off m weeks! Tell him that for once I'm going to say no, I can't come. Tell him... tell him... ah hell, I'll be right out."

And later in that afternoon there is a small airplane from the Sundown Patrol on the horizon. Inside are a couple of guys closely watching each boat below.

Sometimes a person on a boat will wave wildly and the two will dip down for a closer look. The second pass and the guy on the boat toasts them with a beer can. False alarm.

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call 472-2247 for information behind island Bake Shop They climb again, headed north over the Islands. Back home, there are hamburgers on the grill while the neighbors talk. Two wives talk quietly, wondering why their husbands would want to spend their day off looking for boaters in trouble.

Down the Islands another radio crackles on. This one is in a law enforcement patrol boat. A frantic woman has called the sheriff's office to say her small boy is lost at the beach. The child was last seen swimming with others his age in the Gulf.



with mike fuery

A tiny white boat under the plane and the two men inside bank and return. A young man points at the engine and draws his finger across his throat. It will be dark in 30 minutes and the boat is in a deep pass, drifting out. A radio call is made.

That call is received by a volunteer operator who in turn calls two U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary volunteers. They have been sitting in their livingroom watching television. Their boat is warmed up and now heads out. In 15 minutes the volunteer husband and wife team have the drifting boat in tow. The plane circles once and speeds off. They have lost precious minutes against the dropping sun.

The patrol boat speeds out the pass and on up the beach. The man at the controls listens to instructions for coordinating of the twilight search. His heart starts to pound just a little faster. He has a youngster of his own. He pulls the boat up to the shore where a large group of people are standing, while several men search in shoulder deep water. There is an anxious mother on shore, her hands to her face.

Then a little sunburned toddler wakes up from under a blanket and comes down to the crowd asking, "Where's mommy?" The patrolman has to laugh with relief, but there is another message coming over the radio. A shrimp boat is on fire at a fuel dock.

The softball game breaks up because half the team are volunteer firemen. One wife, seeing her husband jump into a car and race off says to another, "It never fails. Just when they are winning, something always catches fire!"

So six guys in baseball uniforms run down the dock just as a man with a smouldering basket of rags comes on deck and throws them into the water. "Sorry," he says, "I thought it was the whole engine room on fire when I called you."

By midnight the long weekend is over and those who watched out for us on the water can relax a little, but they know there will be other weekends and other rescues. And perhaps one of them whispers, "Please let Labor Day be the quietest weekend there ever was..."

We wanted to take a moment to thank all those who give their time and talents to keep us safe while we are on the water.

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



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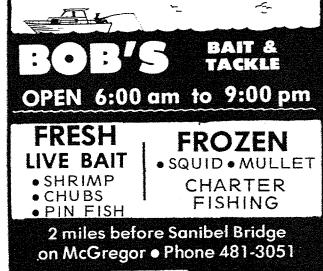
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YCC members Frances Willis (left) and Lisa Cauley (right) demonstrate the technique of environmental awareness sensitivity training taught by the group's environmental awareness coordinator, Bill Redfern.

The technique involves touching trees, bushes and other native vegetation while blindfolded to develop sensitivity to the Islands' unique flora.

(see story page 24)

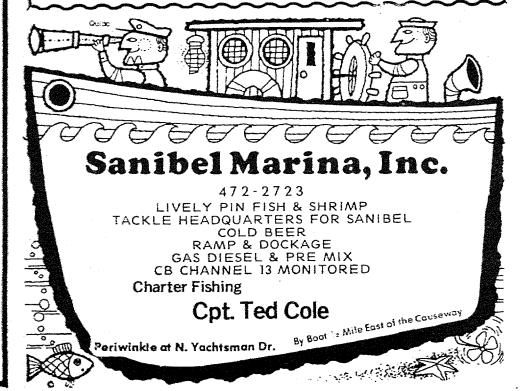


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AGENDA OF CITY COUNCIL MEETING MAC KENZIE HALL, JULY 5, 1977

9:20 a.m. 4) Planning Commission Report.

9:30 a.m. 5) Reconsideration of previous action accepting offer by the State of Florida to sublease a 186 acre botanical site in Sanibel.

9:35 a.m. 6) Continuation of discussion on request for an Occupational License application by Colonel Ramon F. D'Elosua, U.S.A. Retired, DBA Go-Air-Co. (Operate airfield and furnish light air transportation).

9:45 a.m. 7) Consider approving a resolution transmitting an application to the appropriate reviewing agencies for a Comprehensive (General) Amendment to amend Section 3.3.1 (Residential Densities) and 3.2.2 (Development Intensity Map) of the Comprehensive Land Use Plan as adopted by Ordinance No. 76-21, to enable development of Sea Oats Subdivision, as submitted by Williat T. Haverfield, Attorney-in-fact for Virginia South Corporation.

10:00 a.m. 8) Presentation by Attorney Norman A. Hartman, Jr.—Proposal for solving Sanibel's beach access parking problems.

10:20 a.m. 9) Continuation of discussion on proposed street improvements and financing by special assessment.

11:15 a.m. 10) Island Water Association update - Jim Robson, President.

12:00 noon Recess for Lunch.

1:30 p.m. 11) Public Hearing and First Reading of a. Ordinance Specifically Amending Ordinance No. 76-21, The Comprehensive Land Use Plan, Sections 3.2.2.: Development Intensity Map, and 3.3.1: Residential Densities, to cause each of lots 97 and 98 of Shell Harbor First Addition, Sanibel, Lee County, Florida, to be separately and independently deemed "buildable," as submitted by Marshall H. Holtz, Jr., Attorney-in-Fact for John F. MacNeil and Henry H. and Virginia W. McKee.

1:45 p.m. 12) Public Hearing and First Reading of an Ordinance Specifically Amending Ordinance No. 76-21, The Comprehensive Land Use Plan, Section 3.3.2: Residential Yard Requirements, to allow a front yard setback of 22 feet from the property line (47 feet from the centerline of the road) on Lot 12, Block C, Unit I, Sanibel Isles Subdivision, Sanibel, Lee County, Florida, as submitted by Bruce T. Henke of Richmond Construction Corporation for Fred White.

2:00 p.m. 13) Public Hearing and First Reading of an Ordinance Specifically Amending Ordinance No. 76-21, The Comprehensive Land Use Plan, Sections 3.2.3: Permitted Uses Map and 3.3.4: Commercial Uses, to redesignate a parcel in the west half of the east half of Section 26, Township 46 South, Range 22 East, Sanibel, Lee County, Florida, from residential to commercial to permit expansion of existing Island Shopping Center, as submitted by John K. Kontinos.

2:20 p.m. 14) Public Hearing and First Reading of an Ordinance Specifically Amending Ordinance No. 76-21, The Comprehensive Land Use Plan by John K. Kontinos and William R. Frizzell on behalf of The Dunes of Saniba (Phase II).

2:45 p.m. 16) Sanibel Causeway Bond Issue Report as prepared by Howard Needles Tammen & Bergendoff, presented by the City Manager.

3:00 p.m. 17) City Manger's Report.

3:30 p.m. 18) Presentation by Carol Quillinan - Beach Access and Parking.

3:45 p.m. 19) City Attorney's Report - Update on current litigation - Attorneys Bosselman and Bowen.

4:15 p.m. 20) Mayor and Councilmen's Reports. 4:30 p.m. 21) Public Inquiries and Comments.

Adjournment

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Considering everything, including the unmovable fact that the Sanibel Police Department was facing one of the unmovable Feasts-i.e. the Fourth of July—things were pretty quiet all over.

Three calls came in on the emergency boxes.-two of them emergencies and one confirming an emergency previously called in-four alarms went off for one ason or another (but none ignaling the arrival of a burglar)-two dark housebusiness checks were intensified because of open doors, five traffic violations were written up (four of them of the parking variety), the SPD was called to escort extra heavy or extra large vehicles three mes, two noisy cycles were complained of, as were three noisy and-or loose dogs, the EMT's and medical aid were called upon thrice, two wallets and one set of keys were reported lost and four sets of keys, one wallet and one auto tag were reported found and either placed in the SPD for safekeeping or returned to their original owner, and the SPD gave various sorts of assistance 24 times.

An outboard motor, some tennis shoes and a life vest were reported as having ccupied some space in a parking area not normally used for such items unless accompanied by a person or a group of persons. All items taken into custody of SPD for protection.

A someone called in to report that a six-foot alligator had taken up residence around a duck pond which welcomed birds but not reptiles. After phoning around, someone was reached who had personal knowledge of the alligator and said if he (the alligator) were left alone, he'd go away. Advice followed. So did alligator.

"hit and run" accident report was changed to a "hit and tell" report when operator of vehicle which was hit whilst it was parked

police reports

found a note from the hittor, making everything evidently okay.

A driver's license was found in a parking area and turned in to the SPD, where it was subsequently reunited with its owner.

Two overall clad persons. one of each gender, were reported as walking around, trespassing and loudly repeating obsenities. GOA.

Concerned citizens called in to report that they thought it strange that someone else found it necessary to leave at three a.m. whilst hauling a boat. Officer checked; boat haulers had title and other necessary papers for boat, etc.

Truck reported as spilling paint and forcing a vehicle off the road. When said truck was met by police officer, it seemed properly loaded and was not going over 30 m.p.h.

Someome or ones with lousy sense of humor evidently think it amusing to call someone as many as a dozen times a night. No one else finds this amusing, including the telephone company.

Report received of juveniles breaking glass in unoccupied residence. Breakers not found at the moment.

Call came in to report that some kids "were beating an alligator with some sticks." Officer investigated and found an elder teenage person with a six-foot board who was trying to keep some sixty or so people away from an alligator, who evidently wanted to break all the rules by swimming in the Gulf. (Rule being that alligators just like fresh water.) When people finally dispersed, with help of officer and above mentioned six-foot board, alligator was last observed in salt water about 50 feet off shore

Person and small two wheeled vehicle taken into custody for possession of illegal substance.

A caller reported that someone was pumping out

with pinch

by gwen stevenson

What with the heat and the cost of electricity, this is definitely the time of year to be using the barbecue grill. After two years in southern Turkey, shishkebob has always been a warmweather favorite of mine.

Although shishkebob, according to most accounts, originated in Turkey, it is extremely popular all over the Middle East. "Shish" skewer, and means "kebob," broiled. The actual Turkish shishkebob is comprised of very tiny pieces of lamb and no doubt many a cold shepherd on the Anatolian Plains sustained and warmed himself by skewering pieces of lamb and cooking them over the coals.

There are probably as many recipes for shishkebob as there are for lasagne, but I believe that the secret to a

his septic tank and "dumping it all over the yard." Officer investigated; found that while work was being done on the septic tank, the only overflow was from excess water.

Someone used a land-line (as opposed to a CB radio, one presumes) to report that a dead alligator was on a street. It was.

First one of these in a LONG time-long haired person told to move on in spite of reservations. Notified SPD before attorney.

An overdue rental boat was finally returned, none the worse for wear with the possible exception of containing a number of empty beer containers.

marinating the meat at least 24 hours. A pleasant surprise upon returning to the U.S. was the effectiveness of the Weber cooker-type grill. When shishkebob is cooked on one of those, with the hood closed, it does taste like the real thing.

Generally, count on onehalf to three quarters of a pound of meat per person. To get three pounds of cubed meat, you would need a fivepound leg of lamb. (At Bailey's, lamb is currently selling for \$1.99 per pound. Incidentally, I have had them cube it for me and they do a marvelous job—the size of each cube should be about two inches. And, there is no extra charge.)

You may vary the vegetable you use; cherry tomatoes are much easier to handle than the regular kind, green peppers, onions and mushrooms are other preferred items.

The ingredients: 5 pound leg of lamb, yielding three pounds cubed lamb 2 medium onions, grated or chopped finely

1 Tbsp. oregano 1 Tosp. thyme

Two-thirds cup of vinegar Scant one-third cup of olive

Garlic powder to taste-up to 2 Tbsp. if you like garlic as much as I do

Pinches of basil, sage, rosemary (a healthy pinch of that!) and pepper and a splash of lemon juice

4 green peppers, cut in 2" cubes

12 very small onions, or 3 medium onions quartered

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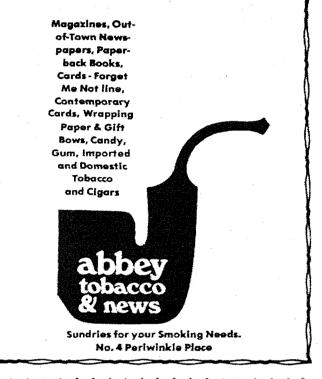
Marinate the meat in the oil, vinegar, onions and spices for at least 24 hours, as much of it at room temperature as possible. When refrigerated, cover the meat with wax paper.

When ready to cook, season well with salt and pepper and brush the skewered meat marinade during cooking.

There are two schools of thought about the actual process-some cooking folks, especially those who like rare lamb, alternate the lamb and the vegetables on the same skewer. A second alternative, and one that is probably more consistent, is to put the meat on a couple of skewers and, when it is

about half-done, place the vegetables, all skewered on the same utensil, on the grill at the same time. That way they are both ready... and the vegetables which cook faster than the meat are now charred.

This is good with rice pilaf, an excellent variety of which is also sold at Bailey's, salad, and pita or crusty bread. In the salad department, I like cucumbers with mild yogurt dressing. A traditional Middle Eastern salad is chopped cucumbers, chopped green onions, thinly sliced cucumbers, radishes sliced thin, parsley and dill weed. A Caesar dressing is the usual compliment. A dry red wine goes nicely with shishkebob.





With Evelyn Byars



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Canada — candidly

by lorraine ashford

Due to overwhelming popular demand (I should be so lucky) here I am again, just back from four lovely days in London, Ont. That must be one of Canada's most beautiful cities, all decked out in summer greenery with clean streets and shiny buildings. Some of the homes are so old, and so settled, they look as if they just grew there. Alex Haley-eat your hearts out-these, too, are ROOTS!

We were in London to attend the 222nd Convocation of Western Ontario University and graduation of our son, David, from the faculty of law. It was very impressive, to say the least, and the law class was 150 strong with 25 of them young women.

One of David's classmates is Gordon Banting, a greatgreat-grandson of the insalin discoverer. We met him as well as his lovely wife and mother. I don't know if Ontario people are friendlier or if we from Quebec have become so uptight, but everyone we met there had a smile and a cheery word for us.

Law students in Canada must affiliate with a law firm for a year before being "Called to the Bar." (No, Virginia, that does NOT mean "Belly up to the bar, boys, the drinks are on the house.") It means, that when the chips are down, it attend the LaChute fair is the Canadian Law Society that determines which of the horse trials. In my next

lawyers will be allowed to practice the profession.

So, hopefully, we will all be going to London again for the Bar Graduation. That's the one that really counts. In the meantime, these kids will learn what it's all about under the supervision of experienced heads. At this point in time, they rate lower than the clerical staff and a shade higher than the janitor, but, when it's all over, they'll be a lot wiser.

One of these estates we passed belongs to Mrs. Labatt, the matriarch of the beer people. It's so big, we could hardly see the house. Just proves that most of us are on the wrong end of the beer business. I wanted to drop in and ask her for her recipe but wiser heads prevailed and we drove right by!

Some of these estates never go on the market but are passed on from one generation to the next. I just hope they can afford to heat them in the years to come!

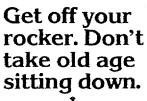
We are enjoying very warm weather right now. In May we almost reached drought conditions. We were forbidden to water our gardens or wash cars or could face a \$100 fine. Even now, we are short of rain, but now that all the pools are filled, the situation seems better.

I must now get ready to where we are going to attend aspiring young column, I will write on a

subject I know absolutely nothing about! My family is still trying to get me up on a horse, but when I walked into the stables and faced 14 big mares who all turned around to stare at me, I figured I'd better learn a little more about them.

They had me sized up in a minute-I could tell by their neighing. Those were horse laughs if I've ever heard them. So, I hope you'll watch for my next column-it should be a riot!

Swing easy, folks!





Port of Call re-opens

opened its doors last cheesburger, BLT and other Saturday under their new standard sandwiches, ownership and, for a dry running from \$.75 for grilled run, as the new owners cheese (pretty reasonable termed it, it appeared as if we thought) to \$2.75 for the everything was well under steak hoagie, filled (for the control.

The initial menu is fairly similar to the original bill of hoagie) with beef tenfare, but, according to the managers, Jack and Coleen Elias, they plan to expand it considerably. Right now you can get all items on the menu daily from 12 noon until 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. They include a steak

Port of Call Restaurant hoagie, hamburger, information of non-Philadelphians, home of the derloin, mushrooms, green peppers and melted swiss cheese. If you like onions with your hoagies, I would suggest you order extras.

Entrees include chopped sirloin, with an au jus gravy, country style ribs, fried chicken and deep fried clams. This is going to be expanded to include a "Secret Recipe" prime rib

steak, stuffed clams, roast beef, veal parmesian and many more items as they see what people favor.

Port of Call offers can order anytime while the Three Star.

restaurant is open. Their wine cocktails have fetching names like Bloody Merry, made with tomato juice, spices and white wine; there's a Winey Limey, a Dry Dock and they are working on a Pina Coleen, named after the charming manageress. The beer on draught is Michelob at \$.65 and bottled or canned beer sells for \$.75. A glass of the house wine, available in burgundy, chablis blanc. pink chablis, rhine or rose,

Port of Call also offers take-out orders during the time the kitchen is open. They may close Wednesdays, but this is not yet firm so a phone call in advance on that day would be helpful.

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Cistern system suggested

The possibility of installing a cistern system throughout the Islands to alleviate the water shortage was suggested at a meeting last week of the Water Resources Committee. The feasibility of such a program is expected to be discussed today, Tuesday, July 5, when the Island Water Association (IWA) gives a status report to the City Council. The cistern system would be used for all but potable water.

The adoption of cisterns would require future buildings to include a ground level storage facility to trap rooftop rainwater. Nave's Plumbing is investigating the per-home cost of cisterns to arrive at a ballpark figure for the IWA and the city.

The idea of installing cisterns was favorably received by the Committee. 'It's a marvelous thing to investigate and pursue," Committee Chairman Marty Holtz said. George Campbell told the Committee that cisterns are being used effectively throughout the Carribbean. Committee member Franklin Butler agreed that it seems a good way of easing the load.

IWA Board President Jim Robson gave the Committee a recap of the events leading to the moratorium of new water hookups and they discussed other alternatives.

Getting additional water from Pine Island was received but the amount of available water is limited, according to Robson, by the size of the pipe from Pine Island to Sanibel and privides a

"tenuous umbilical" at best. Since Sanibel's usage of water fluctuates radically, depending on the season and weather, the question of a giant storage facility was raised during the meeting.

Since the Islands must have water to meet the needs of the peak periods and to maintain constant pressure in the lines to service the hydrants installed on Sanibel, this is definitely worth

considering, according to Robson.

"But," he continued, "we need more information on what happens to the water after it has been stagnant for a period of time and investigate the needs and methods of aerating stationary water.

While the initial cost of building a storage facility, the ongoing operation is relatively cheap, he added.

According to a telephone report last Friday, Dr. Louis Motz, Senior hydrologist for the IWA's consulting firm of Geraghty and Miller, there is cause for some optimism that the IWA will be allowed to proceed with their plans for two test wells west of the IWA water treatment plant on Sanibel-Captiva Road. If the testing is favorable the IWA would proceed to convert the test wells to production wells for next season.

"Without those two wells," commented Robson, "I don't know how we'll get through next spring. To deny us permission to drill them would be tantamount to declaring Sanibel a

In addition to the two wells (and the possibility of a cistern system) other plans the IWA has to meet next season include making certain repairs to the existing eletrodialysis plant to ensure its peak performance, a probable ban on sprinkling during the spring months and the completion of negotiations with Pine Island for 500 million gallons of water per day.

Wells nine and ten, out of commission for almost a week when the temperature and chloride contents rose unexpectedly, are now back on the system producing potable water.

Considerable pressure has apparently been exerted by various interested parties upon IWA officials and the city to lift the water hookup ban, at least on single family dwellings. A special IWA Board meeting has been called for tomorrow, Wednesday, July 6, to review the situation.

Letter to the

To the editor:

It was most surprising to learn from news reports that Sanibel two only businessmen had complained to the City Council at its June 20th hearing on the Fee.

advertisements of services state's mainland businessmen who its

the fee ordinance is "discriminatory" to Island business competitors of the advertisers cannot be denied by any fair-minded person. It is not so denied by our City Fathers who wring their hands that such action is mandated by our State Legislature.

It is likewise decried by our retired homeowners who would welcome relief from their property taxes by those off-island businessmen who are allowed to go through the revolving door without pushing.

Unfortunately, it does no good for our island businessmen to scold our City Council for such gross discrimination against them. That blame properly proposed revisions to the rests on the shoulders of our City's Occupational License lawmakers in Tallahassee who wrote into the very Anyone who regularly restrictive enabling travels Sanibel's roads must legislation such a "cheap notice the rapidly increasing shot" at local businessman number and variety of throughout the state. It is roadside and vehicular palpably a violation of the Constitution being performed here by guaranteeing Home Rule to municipalities.

The reported plaint that in by business organizations pandering to a narrow, selfish, but vocal minority in the business ranks, seeking to shunt their tax obligations onto their fellows.

> Sanibel's businessmen have expressed their sympathy for the City's need for such revenue and recognize their responsibility for sharing the profits of tourism. They must now also realize that such sentiments are vain if not accompanied by action to have our Tallahassee representatives expunge that discrimination. That action is also incumbent on all other Sanibel taxpayers. Attorney General Shevin in his recently publicized opinion pinpointed the offensive words that exempt businessmen who do not maintain a permanent business location or branch within the City.

It is not too soon for the Chamber of Commerce to start the unified campaign with our civic and community groups to get the word to our S.W. Florida Legislative Delegation that the 1978 Legislature must right this wrong.

-s-Paul A. Howe

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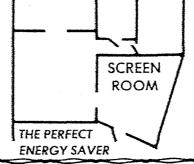


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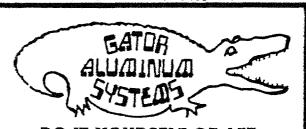
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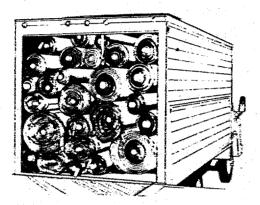
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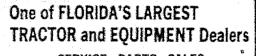
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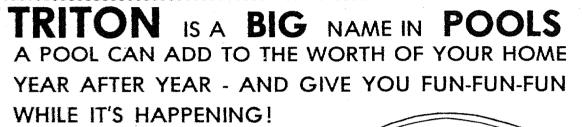
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Signal Inn opens to a busy July 4th weekend

After more than a year and a half in the planning and six months of construction, the new Signal Inn opened its doors to guests last Friday at the western end of Gulf Drive on Sanibel.

Consisting of eight elevated frame buildings nestled in amidst mangrove, cabbage palm and other native vegetation on a four and one-half acre Gulf-front tract of land west of the Sundial Beach Resort on Middle Gulf Drive, the new Signal Inn offers beachfront privacy, peace and quiet.

The Islands' newest resort, the Signal Inn was designed and constructed by the Hugger-Kennedy Corporation of Sanibel, the principals of which are Rick Hugger and Elise and Rick Kennedy.

Two of the buildings in the complex will serve as residences for Hugger and the Kennedys, who plan to manage the resort throughout the years to come.

The remaining buildings contain twleve rental units, which are available on a daily, weekly, monthly or seasonal basis. Half of the units are two bedroom, one and a half bath apartments, while the other six apartments are one bedroom units.

Each building in the resort contains 1,600 square feet of living area, with rustic screened-in porches overlooking a central swimming pool-recreation area. To conserve energy, the resort's water is completely solar heated. The project is served by the Sanibel Sewer System.

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In planning the Signal Inn, the Hugger-Kennedy Corp. closely followed the development guidelines set forth in the Sanibel Comprehensive Land Use Plan, and in a sense, the resort stands as a monument to living in tune with the environment

The resort's 280 feet of secluded Sanibel beachfront, for instance, is accessible to guests at the Inn only by way of a 250-foot long wooden boardwalk which winds through a mangrove forest and across the native dune vegetation to the beach. In constructing the boardwalk, as well as the resort itself, Hugger and Kennedy worked closely with Island naturalist George Campbell in an attempt to minimize the destruction of native vegetation and the primary beach dune.

The final working drawings for the Signal Inn were prepared by Island architect Frank Vellake, while Sanibel Homes was the contractor for the construction, in which both Hugger and Kennedy were actively involved.

Work on the Signal Inn was initiated following the issuance of city building permits late last December. According for the resort buildings.

amenities such as sun, sand and surf, the new Signal Inn also boasts the only Islands.

Guests at the Inn will be pleased to find two air-conditioned, regulation size handball-racquetball courts awaiting them upon their arrival, while a limited-membership club will provide Island handball or racquetball enthusiasts the opportunity to use the party thrown by Hugger and the courts as well.

Islanders joining the Signal Inn Racquetball-Handball Club will be entitled to unlimited playing time, 24 hours a day, by use of a key, as well as discounts and charging privileges for equipment at the fully-equipped pro shop in the Signal Inn office.

corporations, with the total membership in the club to be limited to 150 to guarantee ample playing time for all members.

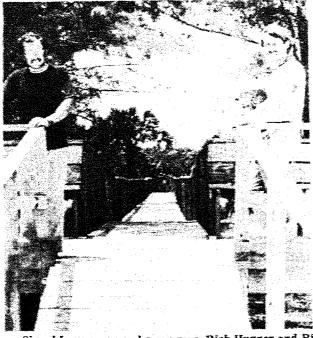
The Inn's unique handballracquetball courts were featured in a recent article in the May issue of the to Rick Kennedy, only about an acre National Racquetball Magazine, which and a half of the property was cleared prompted a couple from North Carolina to make reservations to spend Aside from the customary Island their upcoming honeymoon at the resort according to Rick Kennedy.

Kennedy said that a number of racquetball-handball courts on the memberships in the club are still available on a first come, first serve

> Kennedy added that the new Signal Inn was booked full for its grand opening over the busy Fourth of July weekend. The resort was officially launched during a gala grand opening Kennedys last Saturday.

> The Signal Inn's three young owners were extremely optimisitc last week over the success of their new vent with reservations coming in fast & furious for the summer and winter months ahead, they reported.

They attribute the early popularity of Membership in the club range in the Signal Inn to a combination of price from \$150 yearly for juniors to an excellent location, the first and only annual fee of \$450 for families and racquetball-handball courts on the Islands, and their modest rental rates, which range from \$26-\$34 per day in the off-season to \$34-45 per day during winter months,



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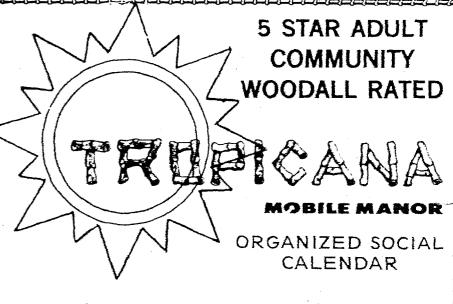
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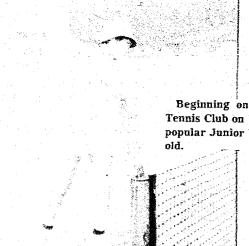
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Beginning on Monday, July 11, the Sundial Beach Resort and Tennis Club will offer the second annual installment of their popular Junior Tennis Clinic for Island girls and boys between the age of eight and fourteen.

According to Sundial tennis pro Bruce Holbrook, sessions will be held at 10:00 a.m. every Monday and Wednesday for three weeks between July 11-27. The cost of the clinic is \$5 per session, students are not required to attend every session to participate.

Holbrook said that the clinic will combine instruction in the basics of tennis with an hour or so of play each session, with participants to be divided into groups on the basis of their level of advancement in the sport for a round-robin tournament at the close of the clinic.

Holbrook added that he hopes to limit the number of enrollments in the clinic to maintain a ratio of five junior players to every pro on his staff in order to give

each youngster a maximum of individual attention.

"We try to cater the clinic to the kids as much as we can," Holbrook said. "We had a real good time last summer and I think the kids got a lot out of it."

Anyone wishing further information or enrollment in the Second Annual Sundial Junior Tennis Clinic may call Bruce Holbrook at the Sundial Resort, located on the Gulf, just south of Middle Gulf Drive.

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YCC working and learning on Sanibel

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After a highly successful program last summer, the federally-sponsored Youth Conservation Corps (YCC) is once again at work on Sanibel Island.

Administered nationally by the Department of the Interior's Fish and Wildlife Service, the YCC program offers summer employment to over 20,000 young people between the ages of 15 and 18 all across the country, while at the same time providing the youngsters with an education in environmental awareness that they would most likely miss in the more traditional types of summer jobs.

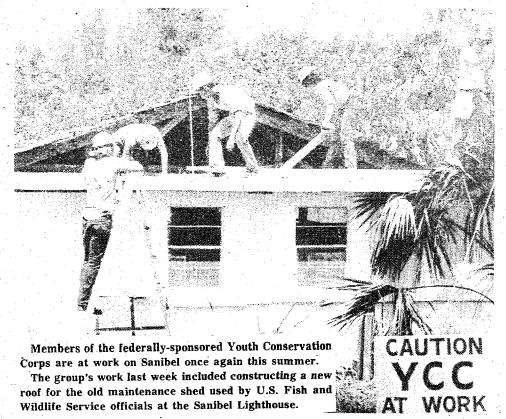
Now in its second year, the YCC camp on Sanibel is headquartered in the Fish and Wildlife Service offices at the Sanibel Lighthouse. Glen Bond, manager of the J.N. (Ding) Darling National Wildlife Refuge here on Sanibel, is project leader for the group, while Fort Myers naturalist Wayne Mills is camp director.

According to Mills, the 20 young Lee Countyans participating in the YCC program on Sanibel this year will spend thirty hours each week in environmental work on the Island, for which they are paid by the govern-

Mills said that the group's work program for the eight weeks that the camp will operate this summer includes all facets of environmental maintenance work on Sanibel, from clearing Brazilian pepper along the wildlife drive which transects the Main Tract of the Refuge and Australian pine from the Bailey Tract to installing a new roof on the Fish and Wildlife Service's maintenance shed at the Lighthouse, not to mention the onerous chore of picking up the litter which accumulates in the Refuge and elsewhere on the Island.

The group will spend another ten hours each week in environmental education, said Mills, for which they receive no payment other than high school credit.

Riverdale High School teacher Bill Redfern is environmental awareness coordinator for the group this summer,



while Dennis Larson and Mike Lubich are group leaders.

Redfern said that the educational facet of the YCC program on Sanibel will include a number of field trips to sites such as the Corkscrew Swamp Sanctuary in Collier County and others, as well as guest lectures by Island naturalists Dick Beebe, Dick Workman, George Campbell, Paul Zajicek of Caretta Research, and environmental consultant Bill Byle of Fort Myers.

Redfern is also offering the youngsters what he calls "environmental awareness sensitivity training." In this, the young conservationists are split up into pairs, of whom is blindfolded and led around by the other to develop sensitivity to the environment by touching trees, bushes and other types of vegetation.

The YCC camp on Sanibel got underway on June 20 this year and will continue until August 12. It is the only camp of its kind in Lee County.

According to Camp Director Mills, the YCC program has grown nationwide this year, thanks to President Carter's favorable outlook on the work

of the YCC based on the success of the program last year. A new program endorsed by Carter may soon provide similar environmental education and employment to young adults as well as teenagers, from which the Darling Refuge stands to gain as many as eight new full-time employees, Mills said.

On Sanibel, the YCC has grown from 16 members last year to 20 this summer. The group is evenly split between boys and girls who hail from all corners of Lee County, with Sanibel resident 🛊 Mark Kyllo being the only Islander participating in the program this year. Mark is the son of Lloyd and Alicy Kyllo of Windward Way on Sanibel.

"The group last year accomplished a lot of useful work for the Refuge," said Mills last week. "It was our first year and we were all new to it, but I think the program worked out fine."

"We hope the program is better this year," he added. "We have more people and a wider variety of jobs to do, not to mention a good educational program."

As to the success of the YCC program on Sanibel, there is no question among the twenty young participants this

Despite having to get up with the sun to be at the Lighthouse by 8:00 a.m. for work, Lisa Cauley of East Fort Myers called the YCC "a great experience."

Other members of the YCC camp expressed similar opinions.

"I think it's great that you can work and have fun at the same time." said Frances Willis of North Fort Myers. "And you really learn a lot,"

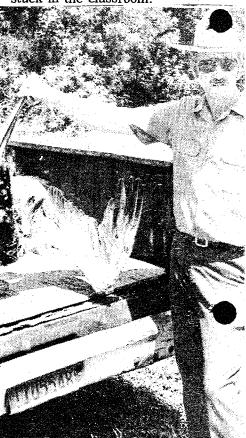
"I'm learning a lot of stuff I didn't know," agreed Islander Mark Kyllo. "I think it's fun."

Dorothy Waite of Fort Myers said. "You can work for years and still learn something new. This is my second year in the program and I think it's great."

"It's different," added Michon Harmon of North Fort Myers. "It's like working and learning about the environment at the same time. A lot of people never get really close to the environment—they take it for gran-

Perhaps the most enthusiastic the YCC program on Sanibel is the group's environmental awareness coordinator, Bill Redfern.

"This is a teacher's dream," said Redfern last week. "You've got interested, motivated kids, plenty of materials to work with, and you're not stuck in the classroom."

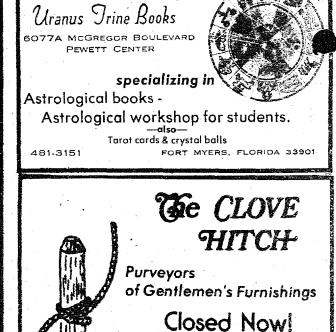


Here, Glen Bond, Manager of the J.N. (Ding) Darling National Wildlife Refuge and camp leader for the YCC camp on Sanibel, shows youthful conservationists one of two brown pelicans found dead recently in Tarpon Bay by Refuge officials.

Bond reported that no solution has been offered to explain the recent pelican deaths.



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