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planning commission denies Buttonwood condo permit

by gwen stevenson

In an unprecedented decision yesterday, Monday, October 23, the Sanibel Planning Commission voted to deny a development permit for a condominium that conforms with the performance standards in the comprehensive land use plan. The Commission, with Ray Fenton and Don Manchester dissenting, made their decision because they felt the proposed eight-unit apartment building was not in keeping with the rest of the character of the neighborhood. The project was planned for land that is zoned for multi-family use at the end of Buttonwood Lane.

The proposal submitted by Outer Island Development, Inc. in early July had originally been for a nine-unit three-story building. At yesterday's hearing, Outer Island vice-president David Thompson showed the Commission a revised plan that consisted of two two story buildings, angled toward the beach and staggered with respect to each other. The new building plan was developed "to break up the massiveness that the commission had previously objected to in the one-building concept," Thompson said.

After reviewing the design, Ray Fenton moved to approve the new plan, subject to a change in roof design, and the use of color and wood on the building face and return of the road to its original condition after completion of construction, all of which were agreeable to the developer.

Fenton said that he had examined the history of the piece of property and found that it had always been zoned for multi-family use — under original county zoning, it had been 20 units to the acre (the parcel contains slightly less than two acres) although it had been reduced to 15 units just before the city's incorporation. "Both the land use plan and all the zoning since 1961 has been multi-family," Fenton said. "I assume that 80 percent of the landowners on that street bought their property since that time and knew the land at the end of the street was zoned multi-family. I went back to the framers of the plan," he added "and found that their intentions were always for that land to be used as multi-family housing."

Thompson concurred. "The Planning Commission, at the time the land plan was formulated made their decisions to be consistent with the surrounding pattern of development," he said. "Consideration was given to the zoning of this land at that time and I feel that we are somewhat entitled to rely on the Plan and the zoning map. There was ample opportunity for objections at that time."

Manchester seconded Fenton's motion which was defeated by a five to two vote.

Commissioner Underhill told Thompson that she favored a two-story

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A traditional harvest moon is a seasonal reminder that winter is not far off and with it comes the annual influx of visitors and winter residents to the island. This week ISLANDER writer Jack Roemer looks at island businesses as they make preparations for the hectic months ahead.

meet the council candidates tomorrow night

Candidates for Sanibel City Council seats will present their views on different issues and answer written questions from the audience

at Candidate's Night tomorrow, Wednesday, October 25 at the Community Association Building on Periwinkle Way. The program will

begin at 7:30 p.m. instead of the previously announced 7 p.m.

The other half-hour was originally scheduled to discuss the proposed Constitutional Revision changes but was deleted because of a feeling that that discussion would not be in keeping with the non-partisan posture of the Community Association.

Reprints of the candidates' replies to presubmitted questions will be given to members of the audience upon their arrival at the Community House. The program will begin with an introduction by Dr. Eleanor Scott Bloom of the Sanibel-Captiva unit of the League of Women Voters.

Each candidate will have five minutes to supplement his written reply if he wishes to give his qualifications for running for a council seat.

After completion of the speeches, the candidates will be asked to

respond to written questions submitted by the audience and selected at random by the moderator. The meeting will adjourn at 9 p.m. Candidates have been asked to stay after the meeting to speak with any individual whose question may not have been answered.

People will be asked to write their question on cards and deposit them in the receptacle at the door upon their arrival. If a question is to be directed at a particular individual, please so indicate. Cards may or may not be signed. Blank ones will be available during the program for any who care to write additional questions.

The League of Women Voters and the Community Association, co-sponsors of Candidates Night, expect that all questions will be addressed to the issues of the election and not to personalities.

ethics commission dismisses complaint against Butler, Goss

The Florida Ethics Commission, during its meeting Wednesday, October 18, dismissed complaints brought by Sanibel resident Steve Maxwell against Sanibel Mayor Zee Butler and Councilman Porter Goss. The complaints were dismissed due to the fact that the financial disclosure law does not apply to city officials, and the allegations regarding conflict of interest (principally direct or indirect holdings by Butler in Surety Con-

struction and Mariner Properties and Goss in Mariner Properties) were insufficient on the basis of the facts presented.

Maxwell was given 20 days to provide additional information to support the allegations he presented. According to a member of the Ethics Commission, this is customary when information is found lacking on the face of a complaint, and prevents re-filing of the same complaint.

an interchange for the better

Many islanders have noticed the changes made last week at the intersection of Sanibel-Captiva, Palm Ridge, and Tarpon Bay Roads. This intersection has long plagued both Islanders and visitors as they threaded their way through this maze, and the City Public Works Department has apparently solved the problem.

The raised islands have been removed and a painted island has taken their place. The intersection is now a four-way stop, except for those moving south-bound from Sanibel-Captiva Road onto Tarpon Bay Road; these encounter a yield sign. Further improvements will be made at a later date in conformance with recommendations made by city traffic consultant Robert Hubenette.



booby trapped home may spark new law change

A dentist's home on Sanibel-Captiva Road that was "booby-trapped" as a deterrent to burglars touched off a move by campaigning State Attorney Joseph D'Alessandro to request a change in the statute governing such devices.

The devices at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Robert M. Yoder were rigged with mousetraps and shotgun shells and fall within an exemption in state law. The devices were discovered by Sanibel Police Officer Lew Phillips on a routine check of the premises requested by the vacationing Yoders. The home was rigged with 12 explosive devices that could, according to D'Alessandro, be set off by pressure on the windows or doors.

"It's a miracle the police officer was not killed because he rattled some of the windows and doors before discovering the devices," D'Alessandro said. "Had they been detonated, and the officer injured or killed, there are a number of laws that would apply," D'Alessandro added. The Fort Myers bomb squad, under the direction of Sgt. Milligan, was called out to dismantle the devices.

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the tide has ended but the ban lingers on

Red tide concentrations in the waters off Sanibel and Captiva appear to be diminishing according to Frank Balog, Chief Environmental Specialist at the Lee County Environmental Laboratory. The tide blooms up every year, though not always in highly destructive concentrations.

A recent count of organisms shows no high concentration, but the ban will still remain as it takes roughly three weeks for the shellfish to completely flush the organisms from their systems. This was confirmed by Dick Workman, Administrative Director of the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Center. "We've had no serious red tide kill in the past three or four years, but there are dead fish in the Gulf to the north of us and the kill is high enough to maintain the ban," Workman said.

A serious red tide epidemic will be the winner of dead fish on the island beaches.

The cold weather fish kill in island ponds and canals was not serious, according to Workman. "This is a one-time event which usually happens in the Spring and Fall, then the weather stabilizes. The turnover in the waters wasn't that dramatic, and only a number of the smaller species (fish) were killed," he concluded.

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chamber's CLUP recommendations scheduled for hearing



Friday afternoon Bill Frey, Chairman of the Civic Affairs Committee of the Chamber of Commerce and Walter Klie, the Chamber's Executive Director, met with members of the Planning Commission's Ad Hoc Committee now is at work clarifying certain sections of the Comprehensive land use plan. Frey reviewed his committee's findings regarding the

Plan, and discussed the reasoning behind them. The Chamber has received considerable public response since publishing its report, and has rescheduled the public meeting it is sponsoring to November 2. The meeting was originally scheduled October 24. Members of City Council and the Planning Commission will be invited to attend.

Bill Frey and Walter Klie discuss the Chamber of Commerce recommendations for changes in Sanibel's land use plan.

planning commission from page one

development with fewer units such as the one situated at the end of Sea Grape Lane. Planning Commission Chairman Winterbotham said she felt that she could not support the motion because of what she believed to be the incompatibility of the design with the rest of the neighborhood. Joe McMurtrey said that he felt there was not enough consideration given at the time the plan was formulated to the zoning on Buttonwood Lane.

There were many Buttonwood Lane residents in the audience to speak against the project. Fleur Weymouth told the Commission that a condominium would interfere with loggerhead turtle nesting. (According to a Caretta spokesman later, however, there very few, if any nests on the beach between Lindgren and the Lighthouse this year.) Questions about drainage elicited an explanation of the leeching system the developer planned to install that would hold the water in the underwater pools until it could be absorbed by the ground.

In rejecting the development permit application the Commissioners decided to omit the usual stipulation that the developer must wait a year before resubmitting a proposal. Several of the

commissioners indicated that two duplexes would be an acceptable alternative for four units.

A motion by Judy Workman to continue the hearing to allow other designs to be presented was defeated when Thompson pointed out that they had been continued several times since submitting the request four months ago and he felt they were entitled to a final determination yesterday.

Thompson told the Commissioners that he believed the question of neighborhood compatibility had been blown way out of proportion in this case. "Our plans completely comply with the performance standards set out in the land use plan," he said. "If we don't know what the standards are, how can we comply with them. I think you're using 'neighborhood compatibility' as an excuse to rezone the property and that is arbitrary and an abuse of your discretion," he concluded.

"Abuse of administration discretion is tyranny," commented Thompson after the hearing, who added that the firm had not decided whether or not to take legal action in court to have what he called the Commission's inpromptu rezoning ruled illegal.

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workshop notices to indicate if public input will be accepted

During Tuesday's City Council meeting, Councilman Charles LeBuff, Jr. suggested that the public be allowed to participate in workshop sessions. This caused considerable debate among those present, with Arthur Hunter a leading proponent of the idea. "If we sit here for one and one-half hours, at least give us a chance to express our ideas," Hunter told the Council.

Councilman Bailey lead the opposition, stating that public input at workshop sessions would only delay the process. "Trying to get something on paper to put before the public with five Councilmen, seven Planning Com-

missioners, the City Attorney, the City Manager, and experts (called for advice) is enough to work with," he said. A motion that all notices of workshop sessions state whether or not public input will be accepted was carried three to one, with Councilman Bailey casting the dissenting vote.

During the meeting the second reading was heard on an ordinance that would require approval by four of the five council members of specific amendments to the Land Use Plan if the amendment is protested by island residents. The ordinance will be further considered after a workshop discusses the proposal.

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letters to the editor

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To the Editor:

The boys and girls of the CHILDREN'S CENTER OF THE ISLANDS continue to be the recipients of many acts of kindness, and gifts of time and talent. Recently, we have thrilled--and benefited from two special visits. The Lee County Emergency "Medics" came with "Medic 5 Ambulance" to tell us how they can help us. The Sanibel Fire Department brought the shiny hook and ladder and pumper trucks, and showed us an informative film about fire safety and prevention. It is always a very memorable "highlight of the year" to have a ride on the fire engine!

We now look forward to our bi-weekly visits with Mrs. Clark at the Sanibel Library where book friends and favorite stories augment our real life adventures on Sanibel.

Our very special thanks to all who make such enriching experiences possible.

The community has generously contributed in many ways to the growth and development of the CHILDREN'S CENTER OF THE ISLANDS, and those who have been a part of it's struggle take great encouragement and satisfaction in it's increasing enrollment. As well as helping to develop good citizens for Sanibel, a strong pre-school program assists young working parents and gives help to this segment of the community when they most need it. Businesses find such a school and service is an aid in attracting young employees.

It is hoped that Sanibel pre-schoolers can continue to learn and grow, encouraged by such a supportive community. When the important decision is made by responsible authorities concerning the future and relocation of the Children's Center, we hope that we

will be granted permission--along with the Lion's Club--to be "good neighbors" and to continue our service to the community and to the children of the islands.

Martha J. Ryckman
Teacher
Children's Center of the Islands

Gwen Stevenson, Editor
THE ISLANDER

Sanibel, Fl. 33957

Dear Gwen,

Congratulations to the young authors of those poems (especially the haiku) which you ran in the October 17th issue, to their obviously good teacher, Carol Fuery, and to you for knowing a good thing when you see it.

Joe Searing

Dear Editor:

The Kiwanis Club of Sanibel-Captiva Islands was pleasantly amused, then later shocked and surprised to learn that our rivals, the Sanibel Lions Club, are feared in the community as possible "HOT-RODDING, HELL RAISERS." ARE YOU KIDDING?

It is a well known, and thoroughly documented fact, that the average age of the Lions on Sanibel is well in excess of 135 years. I am sure you know that the local Club has posed for a yogurt commercial.

The unfair accusation that the Lions may drink to excess is wholly false in that the limited amounts of sherry prescribed for medicinal purposes only are necessary to stimulate their flagging appetites.

The entire Island was witness to the Lions Club feeble showing at the Annual Kiwanis-Lions Softball Classic. These men are definitely not to be feared.

All kidding aside, our Club has long

known and respected the continuing hard work and tireless efforts of the Sanibel Lions Club and we support their good work here on the Islands.

The semi-annual roadway clean-up sponsored by the Lions Club, the sight saving projects, as well as the Lions Club blood bank, have all served and helped Sanibel Island.

Their most recent efforts to share their meeting place with the Children's Center is typical of their tireless efforts to work for the best interest of this Island.

The Sanibel Lions Club membership reflects a large collection of Island leaders. These men and all of the men in Lions are to be respected and thanked for their work in the community and not recklessly accused of conduct that is just not true.

Keep up the good work!

Bob "Shakey" Shakespeare
President 1978-1979
Kiwanis Club of Sanibel-Captiva Islands

Dear Editor:

On November 7th, the voters of Florida will be asked to vote either 'Yes' or 'No' to nine complex Revisions to the Florida Constitution.

Our association is particularly concerned with the amendment to Article I S14 included under Revision No. 1. The present Constitution guarantees the right of the defendant to release with sufficient surety. The proposed change would make money bail the last resort. Defendants would be released without a guarantee that they would be in court. At the present time, the private industry bail bond system assures a defendant's appearance in court. If a bondsman's client fails to appear, the bondsman must either return the defendant to custody or pay the full amount of the bond to the court.

Passage of Revision No. 1 would

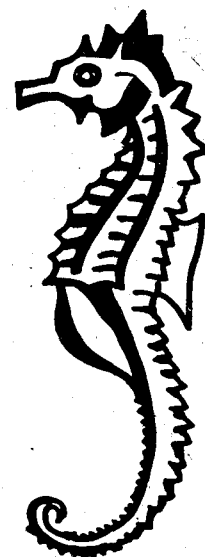
leave our State with a very costly problem in terms of new taxes and an additional burden on our already overworked criminal justice system. Crime has increased in cities where liberal release programs are used, and crime would increase here, putting the welfare of our citizens in jeopardy.

Additionally, we feel that it is unfair to the voters of Florida to group 57 unexplained amendments to our State Constitution under one heading, as has been done in Revision No. 1.

Our elected representatives in the State Legislature can provide whatever changes are needed in our State Statutes without making changes that are irreversible without further taxpayer initiative and a voter referendum until the Constitution Revision Committee convenes again in 1998.

We urge the taxpayers of Florida to VOTE NO to REVISION NO. 1.

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FOR NO. 2 ENSURE EQUAL JUSTICE FOR ALL! Provides that no person shall be deprived of any right because of sex.

FOR NO. 3 PREVENT GERRYMANDERING! Establishes 7-member commission to reapportion legislature into single member districts after each census.

FOR NO. 4. END BUCK-PASSING! The governor should select his closest advisors with senate confirmation, as do 49 other states and U.S. Eliminates elective cabinet. Provides safeguards against abuses of power.

NO. 5 Provides constitutional status for appointed 5-member public service commission. League has no position on this revision.

FOR NO. 6. COMPLETE REFORM OF THE JUDICIAL SYSTEM! Circuit and county court judges to be chosen on merit. Voters to determine every 6 years whether to retain judges in office.

NO. 7. DON'T BE FOOLED! No. 7 makes tax loopholes for a few and only promises to the rest of us. Among 22 changes are ad valorem exemptions to businesses that now lease property from government; tax breaks to corporations on increases in value of property realized before corporate income tax in 1971; 2 other amendments rejected by voters in 1976. Allows legislature to provide solar energy systems tax breaks; 2 year property reassessments. Allows legislature to adjust dollar value of homestead exemption to cost of living but requires reimbursement to local governments for lost tax revenue. What one hand give us, the other takes away!

FOR NO. 8 EMPHASIZE EDUCATION! Establishes an appointive state board of education (SBE) that will concentrate on education only! Replaces current SBE which is the governor and cabinet. Makes board of regents a constitutional agency.

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trash site dumped again

by robin troester

The controversial proposed landfill site in Harlem Heights was removed from last week's Lee County Board of Commissioners' agenda for the second time because of the apparent unwillingness of Heights residents to have the landfill located in their community.

Commissioner Roland Roberts said that he had told Environmental Protection Services Director Jack Harper to withdraw the item from the agenda after a Tuesday, October 17 workshop at which the Lee County Housing Authority requested land near that site.

Roberts told the Commissioners that, based on the previous meeting, he thought it would be "fruitless" to continue consideration of that site.

"I can see no point in pursuing that site if there's no chance of an amicable agreement with the people of Harlem Heights," Roberts said.

The proposed site was requested by the

Commission two months ago, but was dropped after vigorous opposition for the Heights residents who said the landfill would degrade their community. Harper also said, however, that he considered the site the most logical and economical and that he was working out the opposition with surrounding landowners.

A spokesman for the Good Shepherd Mission in Harlem Heights said that the community had not been contacted.

Residents of Sanibel and Captiva Islands and Fort Myers Beach have been clamoring for a landfill site since last spring when the closest trashfill area was closed. Many developers and those in the lawn care business say the drive to the Buckingham dump in the eastern portion of Lee County is causing them severe financial hardship.

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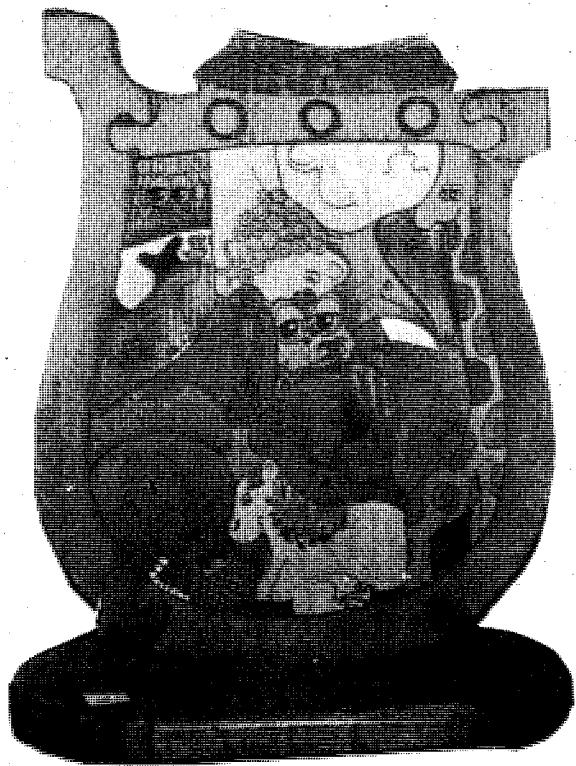


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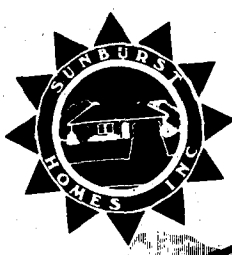
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Right now Art Fac has some hand made wooden puzzles from Mage puzzles in Boulder Colorado.

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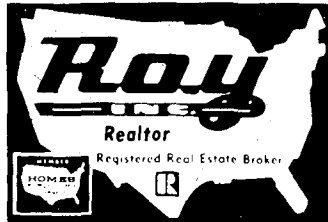
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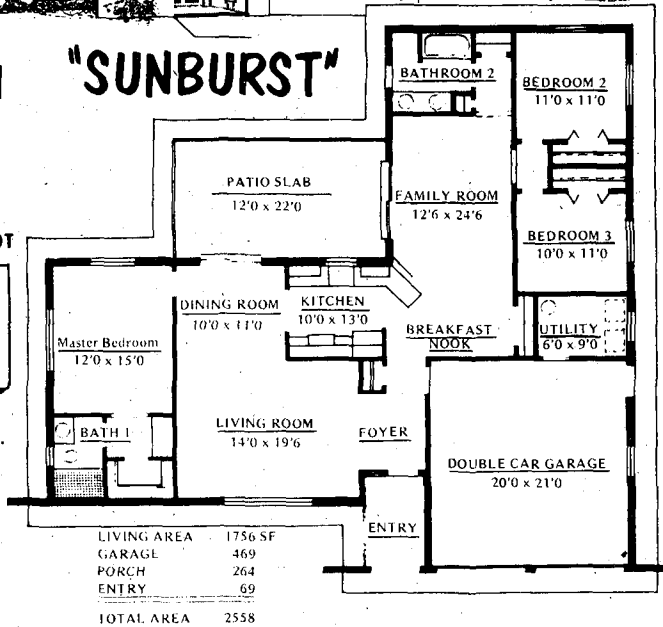
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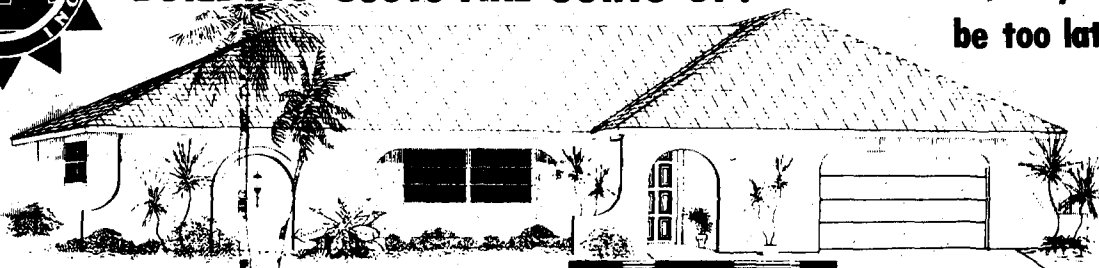
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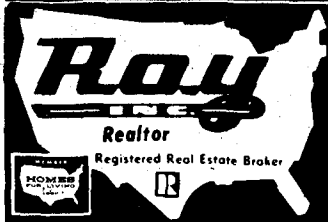
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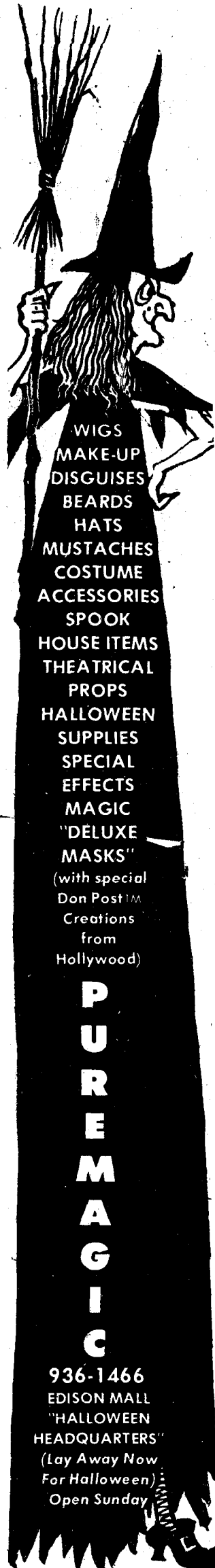
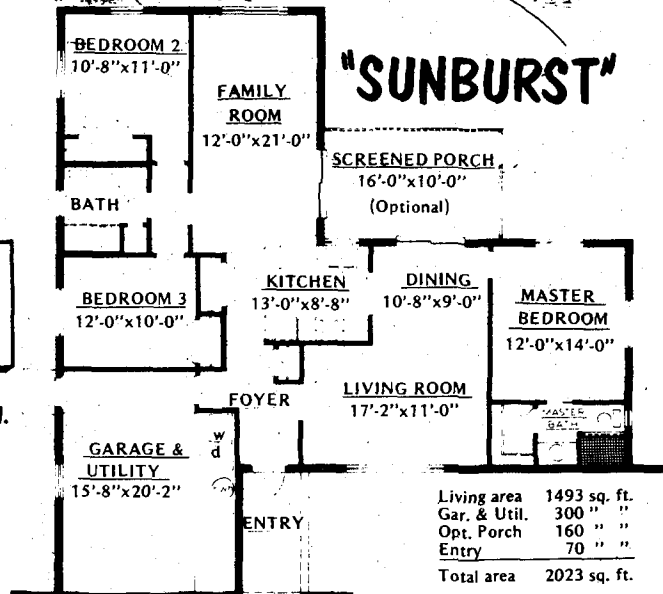
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police reports

Islanders and visitors are painfully aware of the deterioration of many of our streets and roads, though plans are underway to rectify this situation. To compound our problems, a 36-inch diameter cave-in mysteriously appeared at the intersection of Palm Ridge and Periwinkle.

Officer Betty Weir was quickly on the scene to see that barricades were erected to protect the unwary until a contractor could repair the damage. Between cave-ins and heavy rains, our roads are certainly in a "sink or swim" condition.

The SPD received a report of a lost dog. Seems an Islander's dog, answering to the name of Caesar, ran off with another dog. Though the gender of the other dog is unknown, \$5 will get you \$10 it was Cleopatra!

Another dog wandered into the firehouse, reported as small, white, and possibly a Maltese. Its owner is being sought as the firemen will traditionally only accept dalmations.

The rash of unlocked doors continues; in some instances the owner's keys have been found in the locks. A door at the elementary school was found open, though a check of the remedies revealed no damage, nor any signs of intruders. When school's out, school's out.

Suspicious persons were reported to the SPD loading material into a truck at the site of new home construction. The suspicious persons turned out to be the contractor's employees loading boards to be used on another job. No further action taken.

Smoke was reported in a resident's attic, but it was gone when the SPD arrived. No fire was apparent, and it

appears the owner turned on the furnace rather than the air conditioner. See how hot it gets when one doesn't keep his cool!

Some visitors driving a Recreational Vehicle tried to park under the overhang at an island inn but, according to the SPD "didn't make it." Some damage was suffered by the R.V., which has learned the inns and outs on Sanibel.

An irate complainant reported to the SPD that he was shelling on the beach and "felt the need to answer the call of nature." He stepped into the pine trees only to encounter cactus, "obviously planted to get him by the property owner" against whom he wanted revenge. The medics were summoned and removed several cactus spines from the soles of his feet. Obviously the property owner felt this use of private property was not allowed under the Comprehensive Land Use Plan and gives all trespassers the needle.

Routine patrol uncovered a man sleeping in an island field. Apparently he had just been fired and decided to hit the bottle in his remorse. The SPD escorted him to the Toll Booth and politely advised him to hit the road.

In other action the SPD was called to assist a driver in locating a car he had parked and couldn't find, remove fallen sea grape limbs from an island road, close the main water valve in an apartment being flooded by a broken pipe, try to locate a car that didn't pay as it went through the toll booth, quiet barking dogs, advise construction crews that there is to be no noise on the island between 5 p.m. and 7 a.m., and settle disputes that were becoming violent. All in a day's work!

Lee County has lowest crime rate

The United States Department of Justice has just released the FBI Uniform Crime Reports for the United States for 1977. A major portion of this release shows the crime index for 1977 for the standard metropolitan statistical areas.

In this index there are 16 areas in the State of Florida that fall under this category and Lee County is one of them. This is a total of all law enforcement agencies in Lee County that compile records for this data. It is shown in this report that Lee County has the lowest crime rate of all the 16 areas in the State of Florida. They are gauged by the crimes per hundred thousand, and Lee County not only has the lowest of the 16 areas but is substantially lower than most of the other areas. In fact there was a reduction of crimes per capita in Lee County over 1976.

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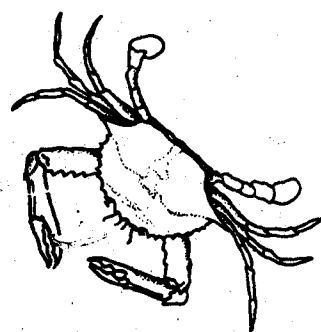
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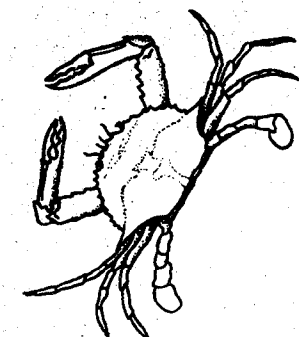
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remembering

by gwen stevenson

We love to look back at old ISLANDERS and, since the ISLANDER has been published each and every week since 1961, there are a lot of them to look through and see that, while we may decry the changes that have taken place, there are many, many more that haven't. We hope you enjoy these peeks at yesteryear as much as we.

This time, we are going to start with a look at the most recent years first. October, 1977....one short (terribly short, in fact) year ago. Well, IWA was once again on the front page of the October 25 ISLANDER, as they worked night and day to repair a break in the water plant's brine line that drew down the IWA's reserves to a lower level than ever before. Carleton Ryffel, Sanibel Planning Director, resigned to take over a similar position in Princeton, N.J. The noise ordinance was passed unanimously by city council and Gene and Charlotte Radke opened The Last Straw.

The IWA was involved in a much-publicized but trouble-plagued test well program (aren't you glad that's behind us?) as the moratorium on new water hook-ups came to the end of its fifth month. Butch Webb rescued a man and his 11-year old daughter after their sailboat overturned and the grateful sailor gave Butch the boat and Ty Symroski was hired as Associate City Planner.

Beachcomber Becky Cowan found a note in a bottle and Lee County Mosquito Control announced that they had the encephalitis-bearing mosquito under control.

This came a week after their announcement that the highest number of mosquitoes of the species that carries encephalitis had been found on Sanibel. Work at the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Center was proceeding a pace for its November opening date.

October, 1976.. Carol Quillinan was vying with Duane White for a council seat ultimately won by Duane. Mariner Properties donated plants to the Children's Center who held a successful plant sale to benefit their scholarship fund and the Sanibel Police Department hosted 150 Island teenagers at a beach party. Chamber of Commerce president Make Paceri presented the Chamber's first Distinguished Community Service. In the ISLANDER's "what's your opinion" section, six people told the paper that they thought the Sanibel road system was inadequate to handle the coming (i.e. 1977) tourist season.

South Seas Plantation was sold to Mariner Properties in October, 1976 and Neal Dwight Bowen was went to work for the city of Sanibel, the first full-time in-house attorney the city had had. Over 1,000 Islanders received swine flu inoculations that year from Dr. Stanley Weygryn and officials from the Lee County Health Department.

October, 1973....Five years ago marked the first day of a new career for Meri Rhodes, wife of now SPD Sargeant Ray Rhodes, who began teaching Island first graders that year.

Ray, at the time, was teaching seventh grade language arts at Caloosa Middle School in Cape Coral.

Dotti McQuade was thrown from a horse and spent three weeks in a North Carolina hospital recuperating. Kay Casparis, and grandson David Winston spent a month in England.

October, 1972....Tim Squires was the PTA president that year; Al Ten Broek replaced Otto Seifert as manager of South Seas Plantation and Sarah Mead Siegenthaler, daughter of Mrs. and Mrs. Charles P. Siegenthaler of Buttonwood Lane, married Roger Webb Coulton of Mansfield, Ohio.

Mr., and Mrs. Bill Such returned from a summer in New Jersey and Michigan and Marty and Mary Holtz and daughter Sue spent three lovely weeks in Majorca, Spain. The Joseph Winterrowds moved into their new home on Palm Lake Dr. and Chuck Nave was elected by the Sanibel Volunteer Fire Department to fill a position vacated by Marty Holtz when he moved to Captiva. According to MacIntosh Bookshop, Jonathon Livingston Seagull was at the top of their best-seller list.

October, 1969....Dr. and Mrs. Mordecai Haber bought their home on Island Inn road nine years ago this month and Dr. Haber prepared to open a practice. Other newcomers to the Island that year included Floyd and

Hazel Lamb, June and Jerry Muench (the latter qualifying as a returnee) and Forrest and Juliet Miller.

Karl Wightman was program chairman for a Lions Ladies Night at the Golden Sands Restaurant and Ken and Charlotte Carper were feted at a house warming for their new home off Dixie Beach Blvd. A "Gulf view" one-bedroom apartment was renting for \$185 per month, m utilities included, with a year's lease. Coffee was an unbelievable 39 cents a pound at Bailey's that October and a special advertised in the ISLANDER was Delmonico steak at \$1.49 a pound.

October, 1963....St. Michael's and All Angels Episcopal Church was "shipping" headquarters for Islander-volunteered goods to help the stricken country of Haiti. Hurricane Flora claimed 4,000 lives in that area of the world in 1963 and left thousands more homeless. Islanders started work on the 1963 United Fund Drive, headed that year by May Lee.

The month was full of parties....Peal and Jake Stokes celebrated their thirty sixth wedding anniversary and, for the first time, Peal forgot and made a baby-sitting appointment. Fortunately, the ISLANDER reports, it was (he early evening, so she was able to join in the fun. The Reisingers celebrated their tenth with a shindig and the Dee Ammons whooped it up for their anniversary at Reisingers' Tavern and Game Room. Muriel and Bill Way helped Mary and Gogo Goglin celebrate their fourth. Seems that October has always been a popular marryin' month for Islanders. And the Greenleaf 2 (472) exchange was installed on Sanibel and Captiva.

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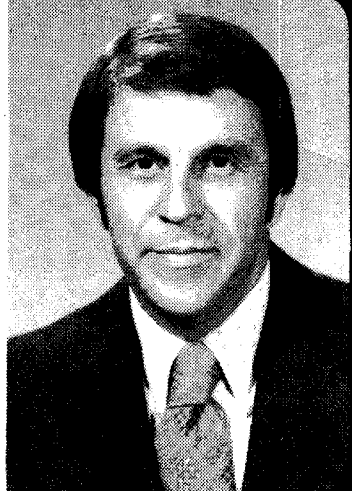
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on the water by mike fuery

That Redfish Pass sure is a funny place. I've seen people cry over lost snook and a dropped over-the-side rod and reel, but the other night there were a bunch of teary-eyed folks drifting the pass—in a wedding!

I know I've written about a few fish stories, but now and then a real one comes along which sounds like perfect fiction. Only it's pure fact.

This one started simple enough. A fella named Larry Gann and a girl by the name of Carol decided that they wanted to get married on a boat. Easy, right? You take the wedding entourage to the dock, step aboard and with the sun setting in the background, you start passing "I Do's and "I will's around like they got a lifetime supply. Everyone gets off and that's it until death do...you know the rest of it, I'm sure. That was the script, alright. But, did you ever see a wedding that went right?

It was raining and a threat of a bad cold front was hanging in the air as the four boats were assembled at Tween Waters Marina, just before the sun was to set. Only you couldn't see the sun, or much else either, except a lot of pretty girls in long dresses. The couple to wed

wanted to take the boats out to Redfish Pass and get married there. I looked at the weather and wondered if there were a church close by. No luck. Everyone wanted to have the water wedding, so we took off. The groom in his boat with several friends and the bride in a cabin boat, also loaded with friends. My boat and another brought up the rear, also filled with well-wishers. Well, at that point the script was bending a little bit, but it appeared that all would go as planned.

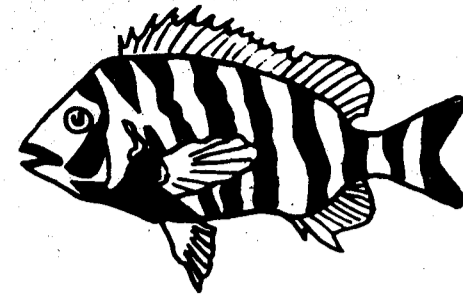
The groom arrived in record time at Redfish, but when we looked back to where the bride's boat was, we could tell that it had gone hard aground in Pine Island Sound, two miles away. This brought up a problem. The guys tried to talk the groom into going fishing (with the "we're out here anyway routine") until the big boat got free, but the groom decided we had better get his bride off the sand bar. We all agreed his decision was of great magnitude, seeing he was sitting on one of the best excuses ever for bolting for the door, so to speak. He said that she would come and get him anyway, so we went over and tried to pull the bride's party off the bar. This met with

mixed success, because, while the boat, bride and skipper's pride were finally floated, the engine over heated badly.

Now in total darkness, the four boats gathered in the middle of Redfish Pass. Up until this point, I had to admit, the wedding had seemed to be on the verge of more problems. The boats were quietly rafted up and suddenly a guitar sound started to float over the pass. Then a flute joined in and one lovely female voice joined the instruments and within a few seconds all the problems before passed. I turned on my instrument panel light and, with that, the couple gathered at the stern of the cruiser.

Without a sound, other than the lapping of the small waves on the boats Larry and Carol took their vows. Well, you're supposed to cry at weddings and tax court hearings, so as I said before, this group joined fishermen of the pass in adding a few tears to the water.

Just before the words were spoken, I had assured the other skippers that my anchor would hold us as the water



rushed into the pass from the gulf. Unfortunately it didn't, and, as the wedding took place, the four boats drifted swiftly towards a large sandbar inside the pass.

Quickly we untied the boats, but the cruiser and another boat continued to drift backwards towards the bar. Then the captain said his engine wouldn't start because of overheating. I hooked onto the boat and started the four-mile tow back to the dock. Sounds as if the actual wedding was just a brief rest between disaster, right? It wasn't long before the engine on the big cruiser was started and much to the relief of all involved, the bride and groom were rushed on to their awaiting reception. As William Shakespear always said, "All's well that ends well", or something like that.

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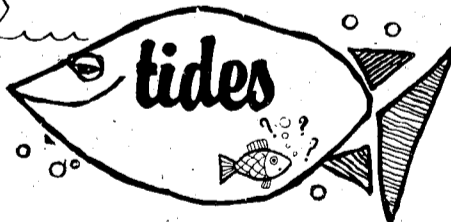
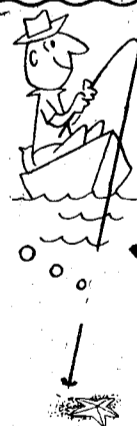
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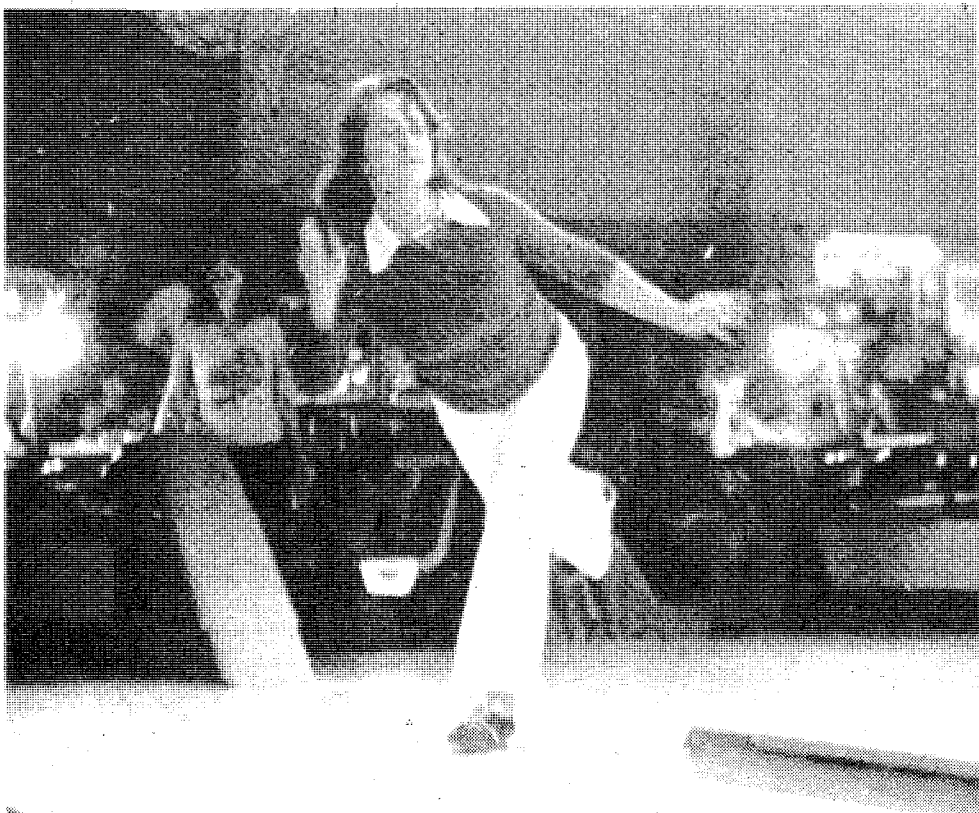
Conversion table: The above tides are for the lighthouse point of Sanibel only. To convert for Redfish Pass (north tip of Captiva), add 55 minutes to the time shown for every hi-tide, subtract two (2) minutes for every low tide. (NO, we don't know why, but it works. Instructions following are even less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

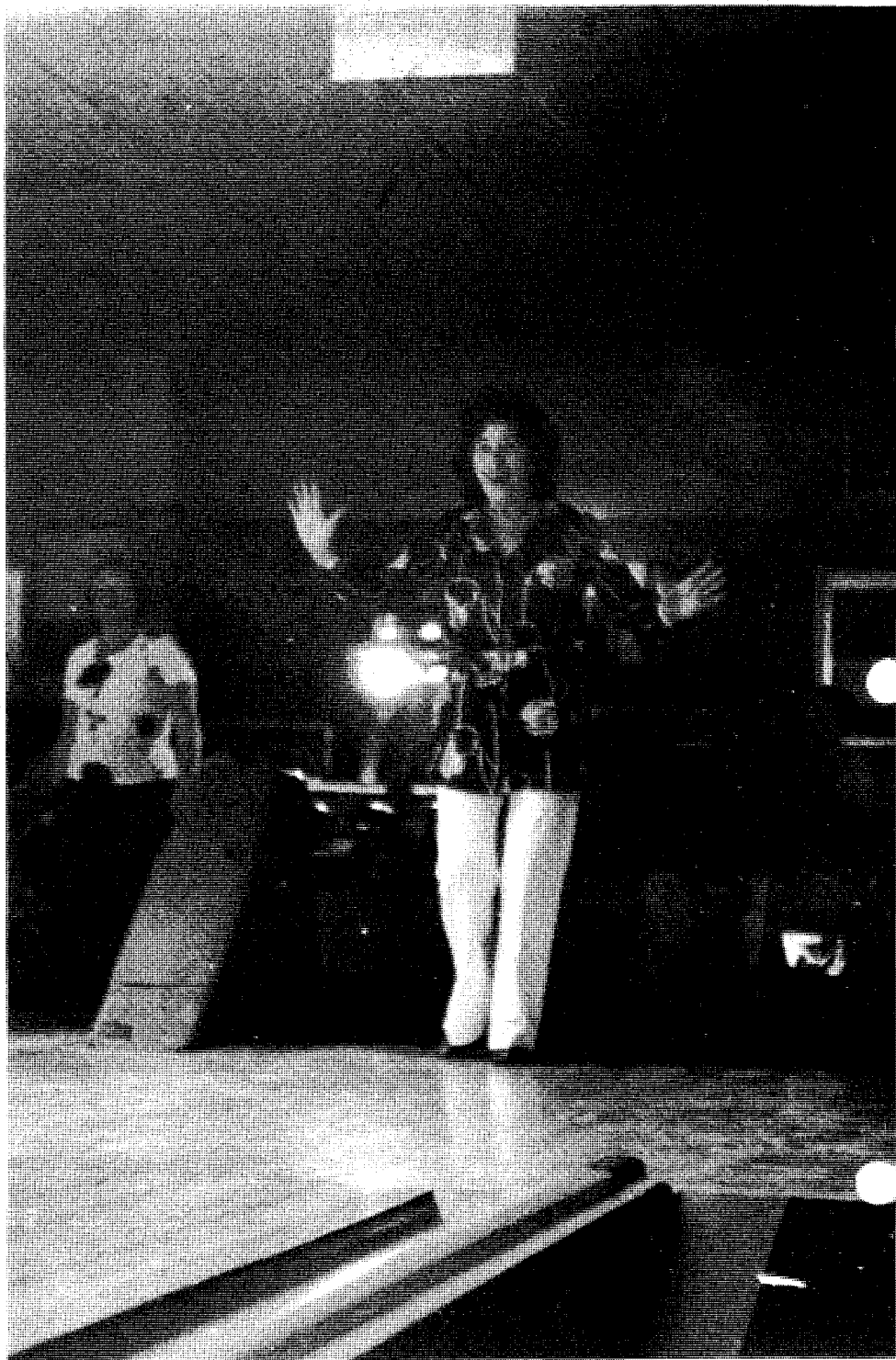
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swim meet scheduled for Nov. 4

For years the only organized sport on Sanibel has been Softball, but this year it looks like things are really starting to move. First there's a Volleyball Tournament and now, for all you swimming buffs, there's the First Annual San-Cap Fishbowl Classic. This swimming meet is being held at Tween Waters Inn on Saturday, November 4. The contestants this year will be teams from Kiwanis, Lions Club and the Sanibel Police Department including

Aides and Auxiliary. The meet will consist of 18 events, each of which will be divided into two age groups, the Seniors (36-over) and the Open division (everybody else).

To make things fair the SPD's two star swimmers Dick Noon and Sergeant Bill Trefny will not be eligible to compete, and to make things still fairer there will be no disqualifications due to form.

The events will include, along with

the normal events, several that are not usually found in swim meets. There will be a sidestroke competition, and two underwater races. One is an individual race for maximum distance on one breath, and the other will be an underwater relay race.

Points will be awarded first through

fourth places in every event, and the team with the most points at the end of the tournament will receive the travelling trophy for that year.

Spectators are welcome to attend, so come on down to Tween Waters Inn November 4 and watch the competition. It should be interesting.

islander angling

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Cooler breezes and a bit of a surf with pelicans using the waters on either side of the causeway as their own special playground. The sight of this is more than any travel brochure could ever envision. Here we are living and breathing it-all this and multitudes of fish!

One of the fish that is generally found in these waters, to a greater or lesser degree, is the snook. They prefer a cover such as mangroves or pilings. Don't ask why, but these wily fellows have a thing about pale yellow a preference to pay heed to when preparing your artificial lure. Mirrolures, 52M and 66M series are accepted as the most successful.

Again, as it always appears when you're involved with fishing, nothing is clear cut; there are those who would never ever go out after snook with artificial bait. They prescribe live shrimp. Still another alternative is the live "goggle eye". The former is used primarily at night, in that spot you noticed (in the daytime) as one in which snook was napping on the bottom. Chances are, had they attempted to lure them up at that time it would have been in vain. Not so after the sun

went down.

Snook is referred to as a gamefish - the old word game again - think please of "game" not as solitaire, but rather "fun". They will give you a run for your efforts and don't be at all surprised to see them take to the air - their aerial acrobatics are a sight to behold. Whatever you do, don't throw him back once he has been landed cuz even if you don't eat fish someone will be delighted with him as a gift. Truly delicious eating.

Now a few of the snook are still being brought in, however it's still trout and redfish that are stealing the scene and they are still being ferreted out around the mangroves, the bay and the Sanctuary.

Mr. Jack Cravelle is still playing around and if you missed the *zompano* there's always next season. Some drum are being caught too, - now, - although this is not considered a favorite, but skinned and filleted you could eat worse.

If there were any problems fishing-wise this last week it was simply that you were not out there being fishermen of fish. Good fishing, - good catching!

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fire district report

Phil Verdung, Administrative Assistant of the Islands Fire Control District reports that for the fiscal year ended September 30 the Sanibel Fire Department responded to a total of 379 calls. Among the 25 categories reporting there were 17 missing persons (all found), 50 heart attacks, 6 D.O.A. (dead on arrival), 3 possible overdose cases, 9 boating accidents, 1 plane crash, 3 moped and an equal number of bicycle accidents, 12 truck or automobile fires, and 5 air conditioner fires. Unfortunately, they also had to respond to 40 false alarms.

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islander retires from captran, inc.

Mildred Emrick, head of the Captran, Inc. book-keeping department was feted on Tuesday, October 16, by fellow staff members at Scotty's Restaurant.

The occasion was Mrs. Emrick's retirement as one of the original employees of the interval ownership firm based on the Island.

Mrs. Emrick and her husband Alvin (Al), longtime Island residents, have purchased a two-vehicle motor home and plan to travel exclusively and extensively "as long as body and soul

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Mrs. Emrick and her husband Alvin (Al), longtime Island residents, have purchased a two-vehicle motor home and plan to travel exclusively and extensively "as long as body and soul holds out," says Mildred. Travel will be their only business and Al says "we plan to take at least three years to reach Phoenix."

"We may have to become migrant laborers," laughs Mildred, "but it's a retirement we've been planning for



many years."

Mildred joined Captran, Inc. in March of 1976 when it was known as the Casaurina Corporation and was just breaking ground for Sanibel Beach Club I. She was one of the original three staff members of the firm that now employs over 100 on Sanibel Island.

Both Mildred and Al are well-known on the Island as the former managers of Huxter's Market. Al has recently been associated with Bailey's General Store.

The Emricks have been permanent residents of the Periwinkle Trailer Park and both are members of the Sanibel-Captiva Audubon Society.

They are the parents of two children and four grandchildren. Their daughter Marcia Kuntz and her children Jason and Erin make their home in Orlando. Their son Alvin S. Emrick, Jr. of Tampa has two children, Alvin III and Craig.

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\$25 million condo complex slated soon for Punta Rassa

By Chris Patton

Historic Punta Rassa will soon be the site of a \$25 million condominium project which is scheduled to begin construction in mid-November.

Plans for construction of the Punta Rassa Condominium are going on schedule after permits are received, even though the death of partner Brad Barry two weeks ago left the developing firm shaken.

"We had to do some restructuring, hiring another developer in the field, to fill the gap left by Brad," developer and owner Bud Brilhart said Tuesday. Brilhart and Barry were partners in Punta Rassa Landing, Inc., and Island Resales, a Sanibel real estate firm that is also the sales agent for the condominium project.

"The project is looking strong now and we're going forward with commencing construction of the first phase in mid-November," Brilhart said.

A majority of the first phase's 72 units have already been pre-sold, he said. Pre-construction prices for the first phase range from \$93,350 to \$139,000 for three floor plans that contain two and three bedrooms and have up to 2,200 square feet of living space. The project will eventually have three, nine-story structures.

Architect Rick McCormick designed the structure in the shape of an arrowhead so that each unit has a view of either the Gulf of Mexico, San Carlos Bay or the Calooshat-see River. General contractor is Ron Markham.

A clubhouse, pool and two of four tennis courts will be built as part of the first phase.

Punta Rassa Marina, purchased last year, will be renovated and to offer special privileges to condominium owners, Brilhart said.

Brilhart said he wants to preserve as much of the history of the small community as possible. "We want to preserve and accentuate all the aesthetic qualities of the area we can. So far, we have the plaque where the first word reached the continental United States of the sinking of the Battleship Maine, marking the beginning of the Spanish-American War in 1898. We also have a tree that Thomas Edison carved his name in. And when we clear the area where the buildings will be, we will move the trees to a nursery on the grounds to preserve the natural environment. We are going to grade carefully and clear the property with very good care. I want to preserve anything historical I can - I'm a believer myself."

Brilhart said he would like to purchase the old post office and the Sumerlin-Towles house which are on adjacent properties.

The Sumerlin-Towles house is the oldest existing structure in Lee County, standing in a community that was once occupied by Caloosa and Seminole Indians, priates, Spaniards, English, confederates, cattle barons, pioneers and settlers. For more than 400 years, Punta Rassa was a hub of continuous port activity because of its deep water close to shore and because of its attachment to the mainland.

Brilhart estimated a 10-month construction period for the first phase and 3½ years to complete the project.

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mystery surrounds manatee wild man by fred farris

One of the most beguiling mysteries of this century is: Who was the so-called "Manatee Wild Man?" Don't be misled by the name "Manatee" because at the time this curious event took place, the area between Punta Gorda (de Soto County) and Tampa was all Manatee County.

When the wildman was brought to Tampa on May 1, 1910, area newspapers covered the event with headlines usually reserved for elec-

tions and coronations.

"Wild Man of Manatee Here," screamed the 80-point headlines as the wildman was landed amid a huge entourage of deputies and the usual few egotists who always seem to show up when somebody aims a camera. An amoebic body of reporters pulsed as one around the frightened, animal-skin-clad creature who could only grunt and grimace in response to their rapid-fire questioning.

The man who captured the being, J.D. Anderson whose ranch was located about where the north side of Englewood is now situated, told reporters he had found the creature in a small clearing, "gnawing away at a quarter of raw beef and going at it like a boy would to chocolate drops."

Now, that wildman may have been the story of the year for Tampa but the folks around Englewood were well aware of his presence. They didn't bother him and he didn't bother them, except that he would catch a cow or hog when he was hungry.

Stuart Anderson of Englewood, and his brother Clyde, often saw the creature around the back door of the Lemon Bay Trading Company when they were small boys.

Possessed with some sort of indigenous radar, the being always seemed to know when the trading schooners delivered huge wheels of cheese to the trading post. At those times he would appear at the back door of the store. If there were other customers, he would wait until it was clear before entering. He would approach H.C. Nicholas, point to the cheese and withdraw a dirty, twisted rag from the folds of his animal skin clothing from which he would extract a gold piece.

The routine was usually the same: he wanted all the cheese, but Nichols would sell him only part of the precious cheese; sometimes Nichols, an honest man, would manage to communicate to the creature that he could have other items, for the balance of the value of his gold coin. On these occasions, the wildman, would point out various items and Nichols would give him whatever he wanted, within the value of the change he had coming. Because the creature paid for his purchases with gold coins, some people tried to follow the wildman in hopes of learning from whence came the gold coins. These endeavors were for naught, however, since the being vanished, wraith-like, almost before their eyes, disappearing into the limbo from whence he came.

In an attempt to attach some stigma to the creature, several folks began trying to link him with the death of a man on Palm Ridge (now Englewood Beach) who supposedly hoarded gold. Nothing was ever proven because the man was killed before the creature showed up in Englewood.

The populace as a whole didn't mind having a wild man living among them.

It was one of those rare periods in history when people for the most part, minded their own business. There was trouble afoot, however.

CATTLE MISSING

Ranchers, most of whom didn't know within 50 to 100 how many cows they had, suspected that something was killing their beef. During that time area abounded with panthers and there were still a few wolves around, as well as the common practice of those days of hunting cattle as one hunts deer today because the woods were full of wild cows.

Anyway, the stockmen began putting two and two together and came up with five. The creature was possessed of nauseous odor akin to putrified meat. The aroma, coupled with suspected cattle rustling, sent the cowmen into the woods en posse.

As they trekked through the thick underbrush, their nostrils were suddenly assailed by an unmistakable odoriferousness. Coughing and pressing bandanas to their noses, they broke into a small clearing and saw the creature sitting amid the amassed carcasses of cattle munching on a piece of putrescent meat.

CREATURE CAPTURED

The cowmen rushed the creature, overwhelmed him, and bound him with strong ropes.

But first, some compassionate soul removed the knotted rag of gold coins from his do-it-yourself sports skins.

Lashed into a wagon, the wildman was taken to Bradenton where the sheriff ruled him insane because he couldn't talk and ordered him removed from his nice clean jail to the insane asylum at Chatahoochee.

It was while passing through the enroute to the insane asylum that the wild man created such a sensation, and luckily so, for had not the press of that day covered the incident, it's doubtful as to whether or not the case would have been passed on by tight lipped pioneers.

The reports were rather exaggerated, though. The press reported that the creature wore a bear skin. If that were true, he must have been a powerful individual to be able to do in a bear without any type of weapon. They also described him as a huge hulking creature.

Actually, according to those who often saw him, he was a rather pathetic little man who, because of either affliction or some unknown reason,

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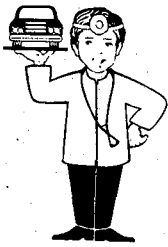
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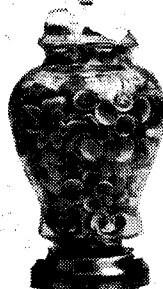
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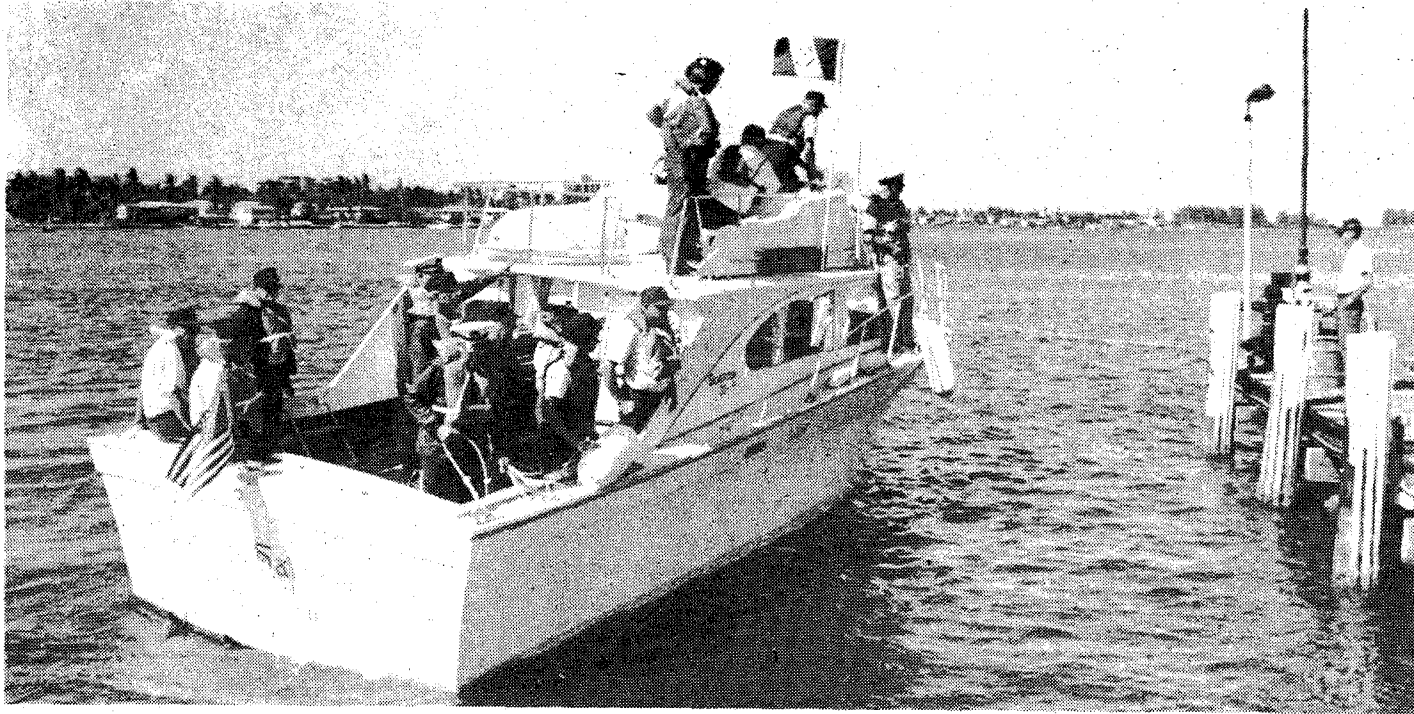


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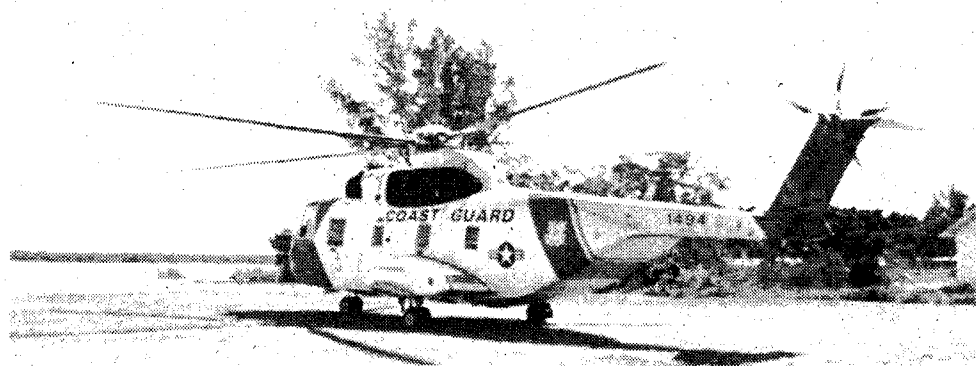
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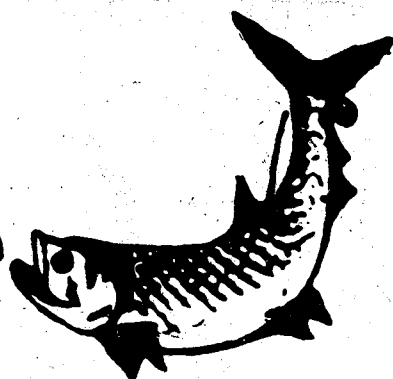
coast guard auxiliary holds training session

Coast Guard auxiliary members from Charlotte Harbor to Naples met in Fort Myers Beach for a two day training session on small boat handling, towing and rafting of disabled vessels. The course was taught by Chief Timothy Vaught and other members of the Coast Guard Beach Station. "The session is for men and women boat owners and operators who are interested in helping fellow boaters through classroom training in safe boating and search and rescue techniques" said auxiliary member Tony Proctor, organizer of the training program. An auxiliary member sets off orange smoke flare during a rescue demonstration for the Coast Guard Auxiliary group.



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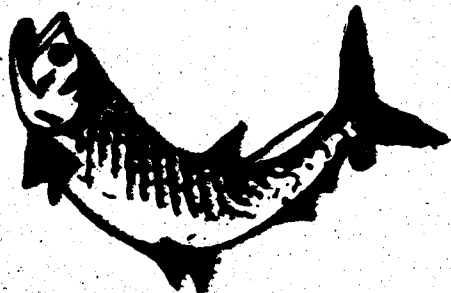
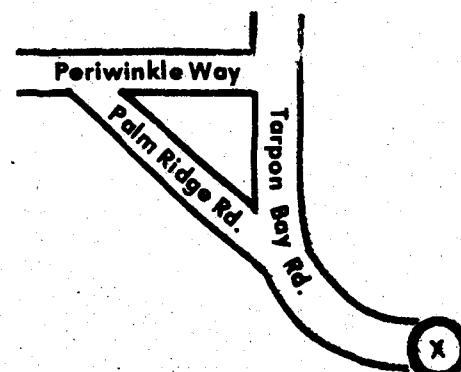
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by
All over the islands one can see signs of preparation for the arrival of winter residents and visitors. Inventories are being stocked everywhere as evidenced by the arrival of crates of merchandise and truckloads of plants at shops and nurseries.

Several new restaurants are being equipped while others are completing remodeling or refurbishing. Church additions are almost finished, and the addition to the Community Center is under construction and will be completed prior to the Shell Fair in March. A new fire station stands ready on the Sanibel-Captiva Road and additional police have been added to the force.

Moving vans and trucks delivering furniture are much in evidence. At long last, there's a car wash on Sanibel, and construction of the new post office is well under way. The Public Works Department has been busy improving intersections, mowing grass along the

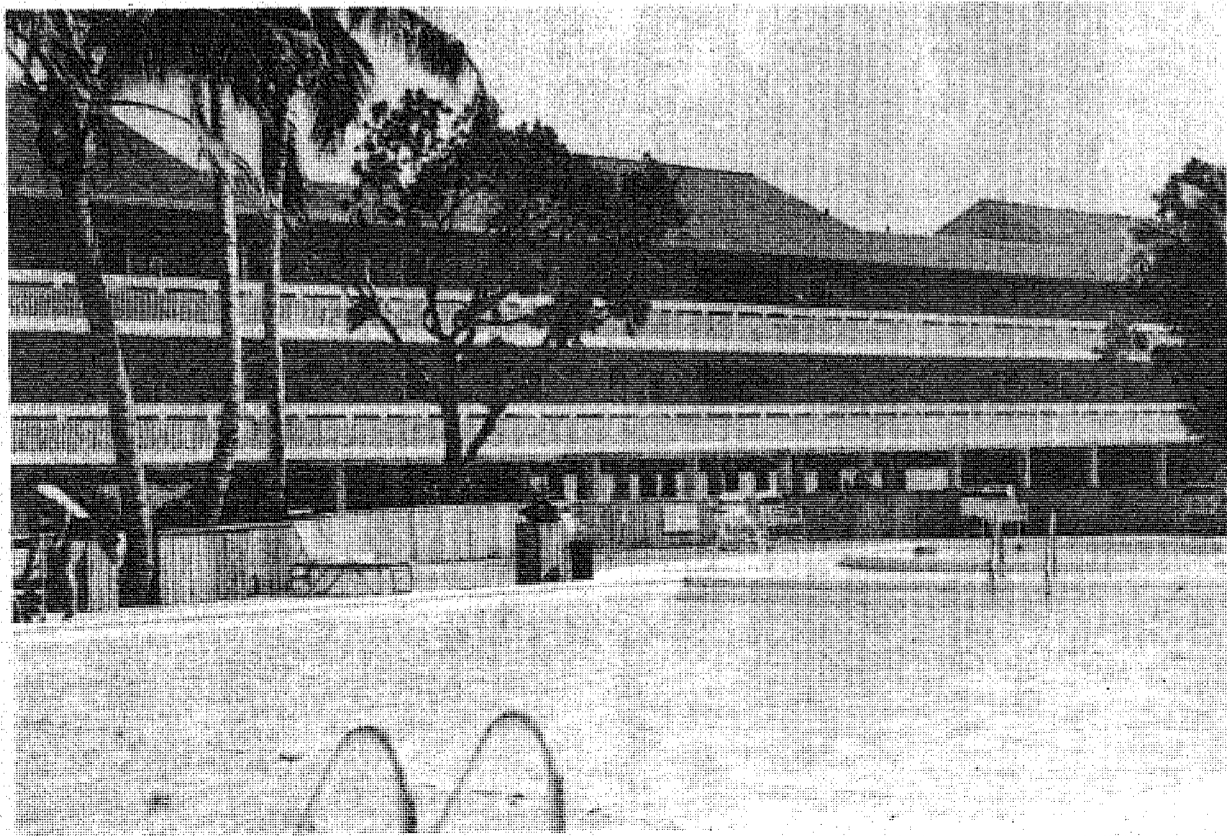
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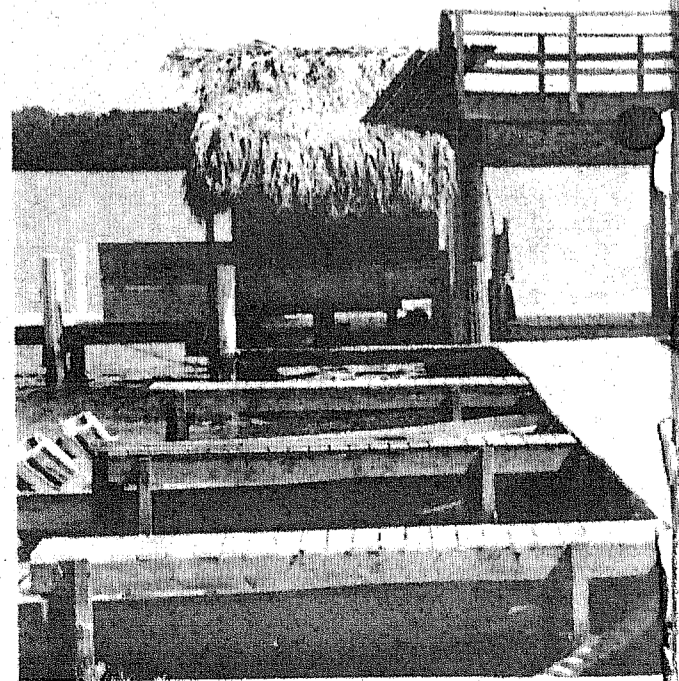
Marina slips fill up as the Islands' winter residents leave the nippy northern air



Boats get their new coats of paint in



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roads, trimming trees, and restriping the bike paths. Even the airstrip by Casa Ybel is being mowed.

New exhibits are being readied at the Conservation Center and rehearsals are underway at the Pirate Playhouse. The slap of paint brushes is heard over the slap of waves at different marinas as boats are readied for the water. Everywhere there's activity heralding the approach of November and the start of the season.

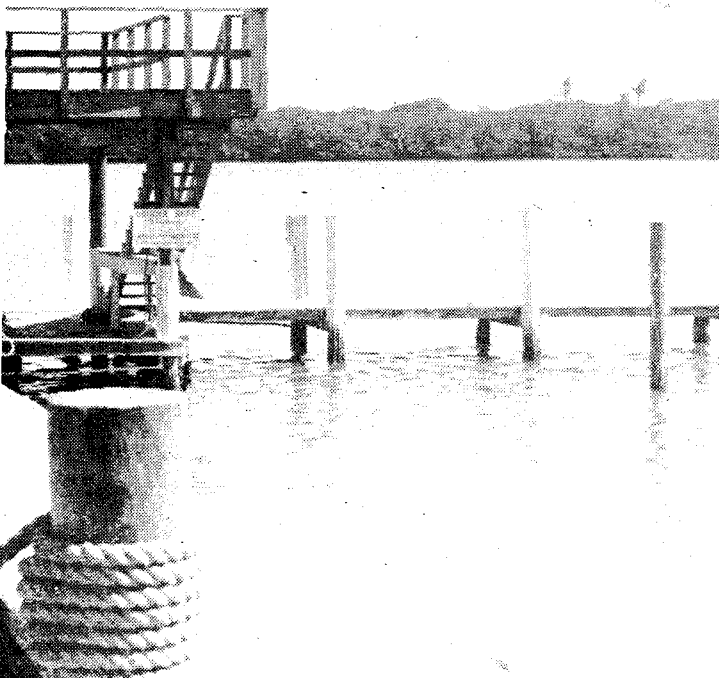
According to Walter Klie, Executive Director of the Chamber of Commerce, "Indications are that this will be a heavy winter season, but it's slow in getting started."

Most merchants agree, but add that this was a better summer than anticipated. The islands have received considerable publicity of late, and the recent article in Southern Living has generated a lot of interest in Sanibel and Captiva.

os by tim harris



eparation for the busy winter months ahead



Peg Bennett at the Black Pearl has a fine selection of gifts to delight Island visitors and those back home



Randy Davis at Weeds 'n Things is showing his Christmas selection

night news:

alexander joins Inkenbrandts

by Tim Harris

Are you sick of the Disco Fever and tired of having your ears blown out by a rock group that thinks loud is synonymous with good? Then here's some good news for you. You don't have to retreat into your record collection just to hear some good sounds. There's a place not far from the Islands where the good sounds are produced live every night.

The place is the Kingston Square Restaurant on McGregor Blvd., and the group that makes all the music is the Inkenbrandt Brothers plus one.

The music of Ron and Bob Inkenbrandt is remarkably diverse. The duo can play everything from Country and Bluegrass to Jazz and Hard Rock. They also play some of their own music in a style that can only be called Inkenbrandt. Between the two of them they play Electric and Rhythm Guitar, Harmonica, Banjo, and Mandolin, and, though they didn't play them while I was there, Bob also plays piano and drums. Their singing is just superb.



Unlike a lot of groups, these two have really worked on their harmonies and the end result is very pleasing.

The group has called the Fort Myers area their home since 1967 but since they turned professional in 1973 they've done a lot of travelling.

"We're glad to be back here in Fort Myers and at the Kingston Square Restaurant," Bob told me in between sets, "We've been out in California; we did a year in Canada, and we must have played about a million Holiday Inns. Holiday Inns, though, are good schools for a group trying to get started." They must be judging by the sounds the group now puts forth.

On Friday and Saturday nights the group is joined by Hugh Alexander on

Congas. Hugh, who runs Island Boat Rental here on Sanibel, went into the restaurant to listen, liked the chemistry and the music so much that he asked to sit in, and just stayed. The sound of his Congas fits into the Brothers as if he were with them from the beginning. There is a remarkable chemistry on the stage as each musician seems always to know exactly where the others are going.

Ron and Bob Inkenbrandt will be at the Kingston Square Restaurant every night from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. until the end of March, so go see them while they're still here playing those good sounds.

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wild man from page 16

could not speak but tried to communicate with grunts and gestures.

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There is no way to check on the fate of the creature because, without a name, nobody knows how he was registered at Chatahoochee. The most popular theory concerning his identity was that he was a Cuban who somehow

got ashore in the area and being unable to speak the local language, didn't talk. This theory is full of holes because there were almost as many Cubans around the Tampa Bay area in those days as there were in Cuba.

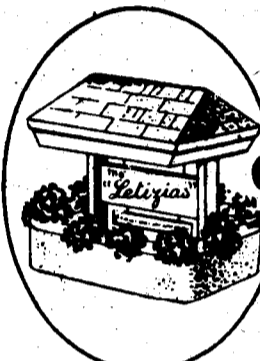
WHO, OR WHAT, WAS HE?

It is a tantalizing enigma, especially in view of so many stories today about abominable palmetto men, skunk apes and Big Foot, not to mention tales of space men and galaxian explorers. And, could it be possible, even in these enlightened times, that a Messiah would be given such short shrift?

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The Lions Club whole-heartedly supported the fund-raising projects planned for the remainder of the year. These projects are the plant sale, turkey shoot and Christmas tree sale. Lion, Russ Denyes, noted the need for gallon-sized containers for local plants for the coming plant sale. Any individual having such containers to donate should contact Lion Denyes. Detailed information on the plant sale will be available in later editions of the ISLANDER.

The Lions Club also endorsed support of the Sanibel Health Fair to be held at the same time as the plant sale. The Fair will have information and services available for people needing assistance for sight and hearing difficulties.

The next Lions Club meeting will be on November 1, at 6:30 p.m. at the American Legion Hall.

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Kiwanis

The local chapter of the Kiwanis was treated to a remembrance time by Phillip and Ruth Unter Mr. and Mrs. Pirate Playhouse last Wednesday morning. Some of the more interesting aspects of their talk brought to light the fact that over 300 islanders have tripped the boards of the playhouse since its inception 15 seasons ago, and that the building which now echoes the applause of theatre goers did previously reverberate with the laughter of children in school.

Dick Muench said the Kiwanis-Lions - Police Swim meet had been firmed up and would be held Saturday, November 4, at the Tween Waters Marina.

Guests at this latest meeting were the Cape Coral membership. The membership of the local group continues to swell with the return of Sanibel, many of whom had journeyed afar for the summer.

It is anticipated there will be even more present for the next meeting (which will meet 15 minutes earlier than usual) when professional belly dancers demonstrate their art.

Spanish lessons

Spanish lessons are again being offered at the Fort Myers Tourist Center. Beginning classes are held Monday from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. The fee for 12 lessons is \$15. Intermediate classes are held Monday from 10 a.m.

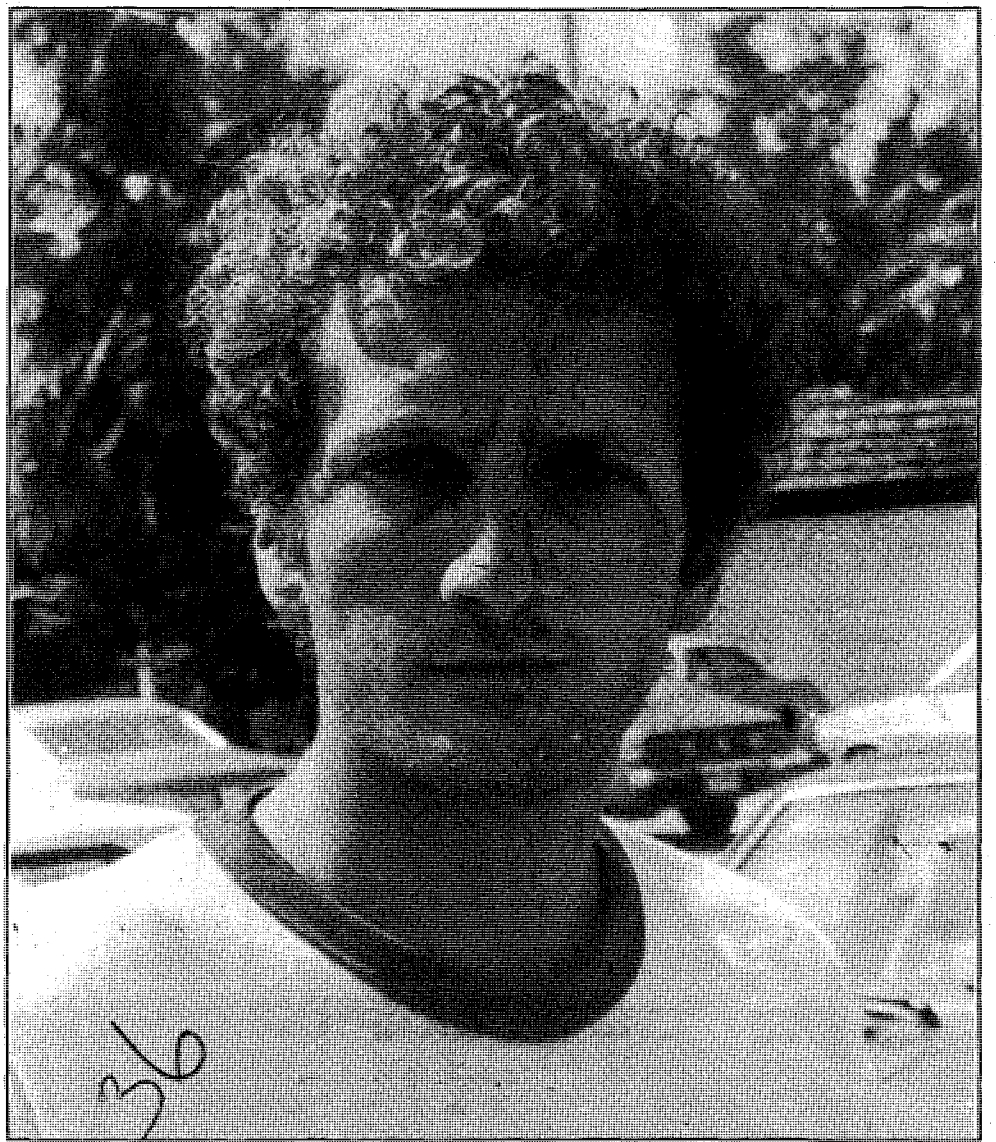
to 12 noon for 12 weeks with the fee of \$15.

Advanced Spanish lessons are held each Wednesday from 10 a.m. to 12 noon again for 12 weeks and a fee of \$15.

Call Mrs. Smith at 936-7595 for more information.

PTA

A meeting of the Sanibel Elementary PTA will be held at 7:30 October 23 at the school. An Open House is being held at the same time.



Pote new Legion Commander

Well-known Captiva resident Alan Pote has assumed command of American Legion Post 123 upon the resignation of Commander Gerald Johnson. Johnson resigned for personal reasons.

Commander Pote plans to improve

the quality of the Post, expand its functions, and get more people involved with its activities. "We want to get back to being a family again," and our efforts will be "directed toward benefits for the post," Pote said Thursday.

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post office releases mailing dates

The following chronological list of suggested mailing dates for Christmas mail to assure delivery before Christmas is provided for your convenience and quick reference for answering queries during the 1978 holiday mailing period.

MILITARY MAIL

- Oct. 28 Regular surface parcels to Armed Forces in Australia, Far East and Southeast Asia.
- Nov. 1 Regular surface parcels to Armed Forces in the Mid East. Space Available Mail (SAM) parcels to Armed Forces in the Mid East.
- Nov. 8 Parcel Airlift (PAL) mail to Armed Forces in the Mid
- Nov. 10 Regular surface parcels to Armed Forces in Africa, Central and South America, and Europe.
- Space Available Mail (SAM) parcels to Armed Forces in Southeast Asia.
- Nov. 11 Space Available Mail (SAM) parcels to Armed Forces in Africa, Australia, Central and South America.
- Nov. 13 Regular surface parcels to Armed Forces in the Caribbean and West Indies.
- Nov. 18 Parcel Airlift (PAL) mail to Armed Forces in Africa, Australia, Central and South America, and Southeast Asia.
- Nov. 21 Space Available Mail (SAM) parcels to Armed Forces in Europe and the Far East.
- Nov. 22 Regular surface parcels to Armed Forces in Iceland.
- Space Available Mail (SAM) parcels to Armed Forces in the Caribbean and West Indies and Iceland.
- Nov. 25 Regular surface parcels to Armed Forces in Greenland.
- Space Available Mail (SAM) parcels to Armed Forces in Greenland.
- Nov. 28 Parcel Airlift (PAL) mail to Armed Forces in Europe and the Far East.
- Nov. 30 Parcel Airlift (Pal) Mail to Armed Forces in the Caribbean and West Indies and Iceland.
- Dec. 1 Regular surface parcels to Armed Forces in Alaska and Hawaii.
- Parcel Airlift (PAL) mail to Armed Forces in Greenland.
- Dec. 2 Space Available Mail (SAM) parcels to Armed Forces in Alaska.
- Priority Mail to Armed Forces in Australia, Central and South America, and Southeast Asia.
- First-class Letter Mail to Armed Forces in Australia, Central and South America, and Southeast Asia.
- Dec. 5 Priority Mail to Armed Forces in the Mid East.
- First-class Letter Mail to Armed Forces in the Mid East.
- Dec. 9 Parcel Airlift (PAL) mail to Armed Forces in Alaska.
- Priority Mail to Armed Forces in Africa and Greenland.
- First-class Letter Mail to Armed Forces in Africa and Greenland.
- Dec. 12 Priority Mail to Armed Forces in Europe and the Far East.
- First-class Letter Mail to Armed Forces in Europe and the Far East.
- Dec. 14 Priority Mail to Armed Forces in the Caribbean

- and West Indies and Iceland.
- First-class Letter Mail to Armed Forces in the Caribbean and West Indies and Iceland.
- Dec. 16 Priority Mail to Armed Forces in Alaska and Hawaii.
- First-Class Letter Mail to Armed Forces in Alaska and Hawaii.

INTERNATIONAL (CIVIL) MAIL

- Oct. 28 Surface letters and parcels to Australia, the Far East, Southeast Asia, Southeast Africa and West Africa.
- Nov. 1 Surface letters and parcels to the Mid East.
- Nov. 10 Surface letters and parcels to North and Northwest Africa, Central and South America and Europe.
- Nov. 13 Surface letters and parcels to the Caribbean and West Indies.
- Nov. 28 Air parcels to North and Northwest Africa, Australia, the Mid East, Southeast Africa and West Africa.
- Nov. 30 Air parcels to Central and South America and Southeast Asia.
- Dec. 2 Airmail letters and cards to Australia, Central and South America and Southeast Asia.
- Dec. 5 Airmail letters and cards to the Mid East.
- Dec. 9 Air parcels to Europe and the Far East.
- Airmail letters and cards to North and Northwest Africa, Southeast Africa and West Africa.
- Dec. 12 Air parcels to the Caribbean and West Indies.
- Airmail letters and cards to Europe and the Far East.
- Dec. 14 Airmail letters and cards to the Caribbean and West Indies.

DOMESTIC MAIL

- Dec. 1 Surface parcels to Alaska and Hawaii.
- Dec. 16 Priority Mail to Alaska and Hawaii.
- All letters and cards to Alaska and Hawaii.

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planning council approves land use amendments

The Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council approved certain amendments to Sanibel's Comprehensive Land Use Plan last Thursday without discussion.

The three elements under consideration were the Circulation Element, Preservation of Ecological Functions, and the Flood and Storm Proofing Element.

All the Amendments were found to be "compatible" with regional plans.

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A PROFILE OF SANIBEL BEACH CLUB I INTERVAL OWNERS

- 13.7% of Sanibel Beach Club I owners presently own other real estate on Sanibel and Captiva Islands.

- 36.7% own other property in Florida.

- The average interval ownership purchase is 2.8 weeks.

- When queried if they were able to do it all over again, "how many weeks would you have purchased?" the greatest majority answered "more."

- 99.4% were satisfied with the sales approach.

- 65.8% owners paid in cash for their unit weeks.

- 53.5% owners plan to use the exchange program in the next few years which assures them a vacation off Sanibel Island. 12.2% did not plan to use it; 32.5% were uncertain; .08% accounted for other plans or no answer.

- 91.3% wish to be advised of new interval ownership resorts.

- Home states of interval owners are: 24.6% Florida; 9.2% Illinois; 6.4% Indiana; 4.8% Michigan; 6.2% New York; 10.6% Ohio; 4.2% Wisconsin; 33.9% other states.

- The family income range of owners has 1.4% in the under \$15,000; 13.4% in the \$15,000 to \$24,999; 44.8% in the \$25,000 to \$49,999; 21.0% in the \$50,000 to \$99,999; and 5.6% in the \$100,000 and over.

- Occupations of interval owners in the private sector of employment were: executive-administrative, 22.1% technical-professional 26.6% sales 16.5% and other 2.8%.

- Occupations of interval owners in the public sector of employment were: executive-administrator 2.0%; technical-professional 11.8%; other, 1.7%; retired, 5.3%; other or no answer, 11.2%.

- 91.9% of owners own their own homes.

- 14.8% of interval owners take one vacation a year;

28.6% take two; 42.3% take three.

- Length of vacation stays of owners: 13.0% one to six days; 25.9% seven to nine days; 34.3% ten to 16 days, 10.1% 17 to 23 days; 10.8% vacation over twenty-five days.

- Interval owners total vacation costs (excluding accommodations) 15.5% spent up to \$499; 16.4% spent from \$500 to \$999; 13.1% spent from \$1,000 to \$1,499; 8.4% spent from \$1,500 to \$1,999; 8.1% spent from \$2,000 to \$2,999; 3.8% spent \$3,000 and over.

- The number of interval owners who drive to Florida is 52.3%; interval owners who fly to Fort Myers is 37.5%.

When asked what they liked best about interval ownership:

- 25.7% liked the interval ownership concept; luxury at low cost and they pay only for the time they can use.

- 23.1% liked its carefree and convenience aspect -- no upkeep chores, rental problems or responsibility for the rest of the year.

- 20.4% like the security of assured accommodations of known quality and as a hedge against inflationary prices.

- 14.8% liked the exchange idea of both time and place.

- 6.6% liked interval ownership because it was a good investment.

- 3.4% like interval ownership because it encourages regular vacations.

- 2.7% liked interval ownership because of its flexibility to be able to use, rent, exchange or sell the property or deed it to their heirs.

This study was completed in August, 1978 by Dr. Donald LeLong, University of Michigan

We also think it is interesting to note that approximately 70% of interval ownership staff members are Sanibel Island residents.

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AN OPEN LETTER

TO THE CITIZENS OF SANIBEL ISLAND AND ALL OTHERS CONCERNED WITH THE PRESERVATION OF THE BEAUTY AND SOLITUDE OF OUR ISLAND

Over the past several weeks, a considerable amount of furor has developed regarding the potential impact of the proposed "Timesharing Regulation Ordinance" now under consideration by the City of Sanibel. Allegations are now being leveled that we have misrepresented facts concerning the proposed ordinance.

The purpose of this letter is to make our position adequately understood, assure you that we have not misrepresented any facts, and to set the record straight as to the status of the issue to date.

We take great pride in the fact that resorts on Sanibel Island are known throughout the world for their leadership role in the field of Interval Ownership, not only through the efforts of Captran, Inc., but through our good friends, Mariner Properties as well. This recognition is based upon not only our pioneering efforts in the field, but on the outstanding quality of these resorts in the areas of design, management and compatibility with local environment.

The biggest hurdle we have faced has been a lack of understanding about Interval Ownership. Interval Ownership is simply purchasing a vacation resort condominium for just the period of time each year you wish to use it. A vacation resort condominium which has been developed in compliance with the Sanibel Land Use Plan. Hence our concern over the City's endeavor to regulate something we maintain it has not properly studied.

As to the allegations by City Officials that we have misrepresented facts, let's examine those facts. The City would lead the public to believe that the Ordinance tracks existing State law. Does the State law regulate the size of units or define what constitutes high impact? No. Does the State law regulate open space requirements relating to Interval Ownership development? No. Does the State law regulate whether sales activities may be conducted on site at an Interval Ownership resort? No. Does the proposed Sanibel Ordinance regulate all of these issues? Yes! We ask you -- who is misleading whom?

We're concerned that City Officials consider Interval Owners "higher impact" tourists. We know they are not, that they care for Sanibel as "our Island" just as you do. But, we ask you to make your own comparisons as we've urged the City to do. Compare your own statistics with those at Sanibel Beach Club I:

SANIBEL BEACH CLUB I MONTHLY CONSUMPTION EXPENSE

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SEWER	\$13.30	_____	_____	_____
TAXES (AD VALOREM)	\$78.92	_____	_____	_____
OCCUPANCY RATE	75%	_____	_____	_____

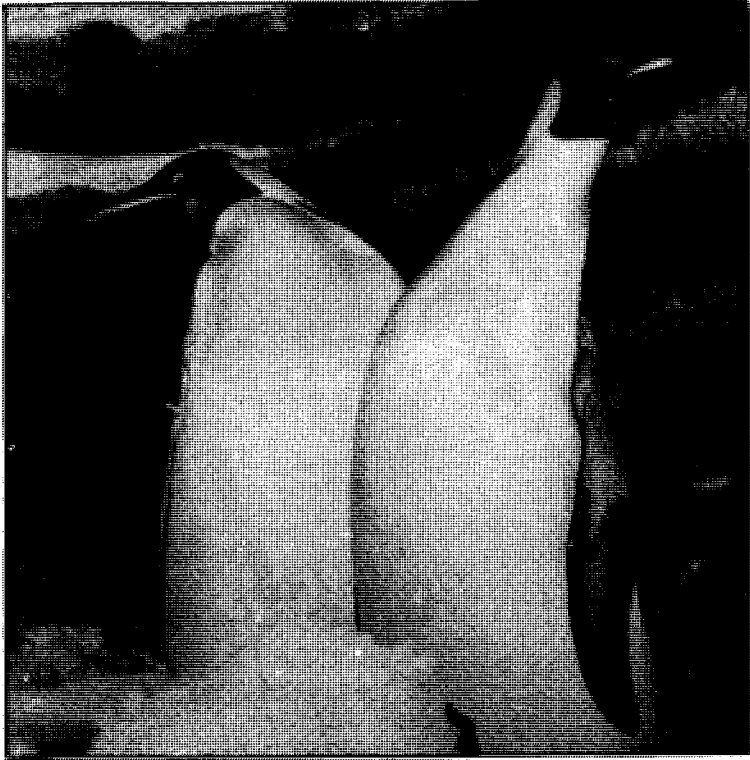
★ SOURCE OF INFORMATION: 1978 SANIBEL BEACH CLUB OPERATING BUDGET

Frankly, we're concerned that this Ordinance is a veiled attempt to fundamentally alter our Land Use Plan under the guise of "tracking existing State law" without following established procedures. And we're really concerned that the ultimate impact, whether intended or not, will be to deny people from all over the world an opportunity to responsibly enjoy this Island for a short period of time each year.

We invite each of you to visit our resorts here on the Island so you can understand what Interval Ownership is all about.

Sincerely,

CAPTRAN, INC.
The Interval Ownership Company



COOLING IT -- The curatorial staff at Sea World of Florida hopes these emperor penguins (*Aptenodytes forsteri*) will warm up to one another during the approaching breeding season. But for the moment, it appears their relationship could best be described as a Mexican standoff. The pair is part of a group of six emperor and 14 Adelie penguins (a smaller species) who now live in a newly remodelled habitat in the Orlando marine life park. They keep their cool by tobogganing through 1,400 lbs. of ice produced daily by artificial snow machines. The below-freezing air temperature in the exhibit is maintained with commercial freezing equipment, said Curator Ed Asper. They also eat substantial amounts of ice as a source of freshwater. When mature, the Antarctic birds can reach a height of 4 ft. and weight of 100 lbs. They're on view 365 days a year at Sea World, located at the intersection of I-4 and the Bee Line Expressway between Orlando and Walt Disney World.

**CITY OF SANIBEL
RESOLUTION NO 78-35**

A RESOLUTION CALLING FOR AN ELECTION FOR CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS DIRECTING PUBLICATION AND SETTING THE DATE OF THE ELECTION

WHEREAS, the general election in Lee County is to be held on November 7, 1978; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary, appropriate and proper that this Council adopt the form of the ballot, direct publication, set the date for the election, and certify to the Lee County Supervisor of Elections the candidates that have duly qualified for election as members of the City Council.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Sanibel, Lee County, Florida:

Section 1. That there shall be held on Tuesday, November 7, 1978, or in the event a runoff election is necessary said runoff election will be held on Tuesday, November 21, 1978, by qualified electors within the municipal boundaries of the City of Sanibel, Florida, an election for the offices of two (2) Council Members.

Section 2. That the following candidates have qualified from the City of Sanibel for the specific seats as listed?

Seat No. 4

C. Duane White
Gerald A. Wierman

Seat No. 5

Zelda P. Butler
Joseph A. Gault
Myron W. (Mike) Klein

Section 3. That the polling place of said election shall be?

Precinct 16

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Sanibel, Florida

Section 4. That the Lee County Supervisor of Elections shall cause the necessary ballots to be prepared and delivered to the Clerk of the polling place.

Section 5. That the Lee County Supervisor of Elections shall cause the necessary absentee ballots to be prepared and make provisions for the distribution and voting of the absentee ballots.

Section 6. That the Lee County Supervisor of Elections shall canvass the ballots and certify same, and in turn shall certify the election results to the Sanibel City Council. That body shall declare the results thereof, and such returns shall be recorded in the minutes of the City Council at the first meeting after such certification.

Section 7. That the appropriate election officials shall permit voting in this General Election only by the qualified registered electors within the precinct whose names appear on the list of qualified registered electors as furnished by the Lee County Supervisor of Elections.

Section 8. That said election be held in accordance with the Election Laws of the State of Florida.

Section 9. The City Manager of the City of Sanibel is hereby authorized and directed to publish this Resolution on October 10, October 17, October 24, and October 31, 1978.

Section 10. This Resolution shall take effect upon adoption.

DULY PASSED AND ENACTED by the Council of the City of Sanibel, Lee County, Florida, this 19th day of September, 1978.

ATTEST:

William O. Nungster
City Clerk
Zelda P. Butler
Mayor
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Member of Council
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Member of Council



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I don't think the people here will ever buy that., Nancy Weirman



I'm in favor of some kind of transit to and from the island., Dianna Highsmith



I think that the island is too small for mass transit, and that the people here wouldn't use it. It just doesn't fit., Pepe Skillman



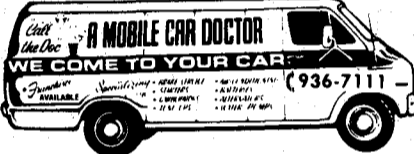
I think there should be some kind of bus., Gladys Anderson



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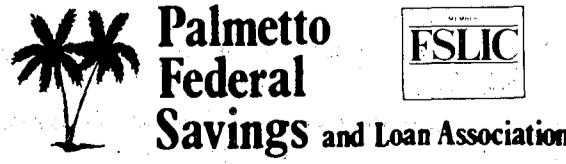
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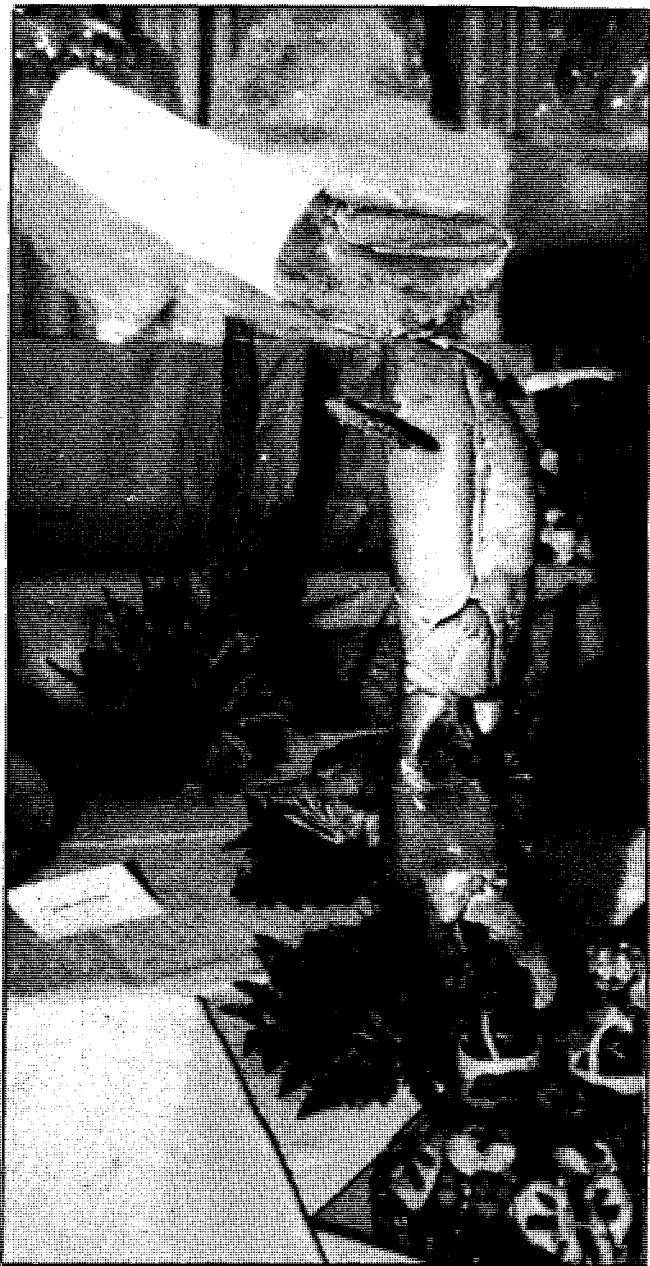


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Above, lobsterman from South Seas Plantation on Captiva Island.

photos by Bob Kay

food for thought

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**Chefs
show off
their
fancy
stuff**

(The Southwest Florida Chef's Association sponsored a national convention of the Professional Culinary Association of America and Professional Institute of Chefs of America, held last Sunday through Tuesday at the Fort Myers Exhibition Hall. The convention featured a culinary exhibit, trade show for the food industry, and seminars and social functions for association members. Food editor Julie Gray attended trade and culinary show as both observer and participant--she entered a giant sandwich in the exhibit judging.)

Picture yourself holding a tennis racket with no strings, wearing a pair of cut-off jeans, sporting bare feet -- suddenly challenged to a tennis match with Chris Evert and Evonne Goolagong.

That's how I felt at first last Sunday morning, setting up an exhibit from the Unusual Deli at the national culinary exhibit at the professional chef's convention at Fort Myers Exhibition Hall.

We had all been working at our trade until late the night before (catering seven private parties simultaneously) so it was not a bright-eyed Julie Gray who rolled out of bed early Sunday morning to set up the display.

There we were, setting up our heart-shaped sandwich which according to observers "looked good enough to eat," when my knees started to knock violently.

From one end of the room I saw a small army of at least 20 people arrive complete with two refrigerated trucks (from the Marco Beach Hotel).

From the other end another small army appeared from South Seas Plantation.

I thought for a minute the safest thing to do was grab my sandwich under my arm and run before the alligator in Steve Santoro's exhibit gobbled me up.

Never mind, I reasoned; I will stay and have faith. More relaxed, I viewed the competition.

Sometimes I wish I could agree with the crowd and murmur ooohs and ahhs of approval with everyone else.

This was one of those times. As I cast a professional eye around the room -- I consider it professional, since I've dealt with food for years and have an art-school background -- I was bewildered.

I could appreciate, from an artistic point of view, the beauty such displays were worth in effort and time spent. But - with very few exceptions, I felt no urge at all to "sit down and have a bite to eat."

Little was appealing in a gastronomic "let's eat" sense. I believe very strongly that even if the display itself is inedible, it still should inspire people to want to eat it -- not look plastic, or for the very rich, once-in-a-lifetime crowd.

As I walked through the exhibits, I heard comments from the busy chefs and assistants like "send out for a hamburger," "anybody got a danish?" and "surely **SOMEbody**" can get some coffee."

The best individual winner was Steve Santoro of Cape Coral, who took his creation out of the food category and into a lasting art form. First place and grand prize winner was Marco Beach Hotel for its army of displayed pieces, straight from wonderland. South Seas Plantation, from Captiva, captured second over-all; the Royal Palm Yacht Club, Fort Myers, took third.

The judges were headed by Hermann Rusch, director of culinary training at The Greenbrier in White Sulphur Springs, W. Va., and also included Kurt Hoeningberg,

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A startled egret prepares for flight from nearby alligator while other birds feed in Steve Santoro's prize-winning tallow sculpture

national president of the Professional Culinary Association of America.

Whatever the outcome for the other contestants, I'm glad I entered.

Competition is good. It excites the mind and reinforces or challenges ideas. Exposure to other professionals in a competitive way is important, and there are a vast number of talented food professionals in this area.

Anybody want to go out for a pizza?

by julie gray

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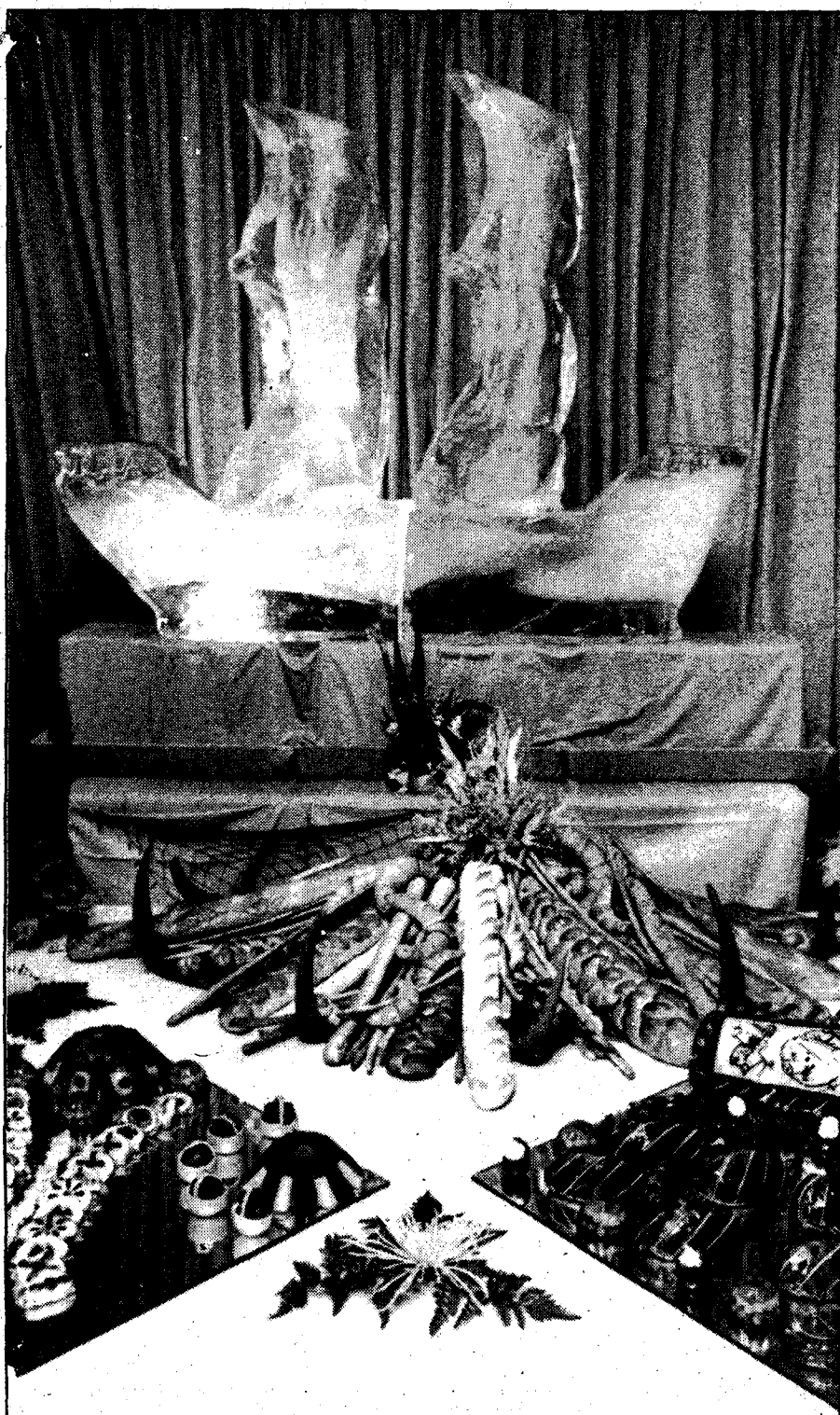
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By BETSY MALLET

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There's a subtle invasion into homes across the nation.

People everywhere are spending more time and more money on house plants. Big-leafed, showy varieties, small, flowering pots; green and not-so-green specimens are taking their places as cherished members of families, adding warmth and color to otherwise "blah" rooms.

There are some sure-fire plants that anyone can grow. Even those with a so-called "black thumb" can achieve some success with a hardy schefflera, for instance. This elegant, dark-green leafed plant will continue to be a healthy, attractive addition to a room with a minimum of effort.

A spathiphyllum is more commonly called a peace lily. With its shiny green leaves and distinctive flowers - which start out pale green and then become a striking white flag - the spathiphyllum is a low light plant which will tolerate some neglect. It will take a rest after

blooming in the spring, but makes an attractive green splash in the meantime, until it blooms again.

False aurelias are a favorite, too. They're slow growers and tolerate low light conditions well. Over-watering is uncomfortable for the false aurelia, which bears the difficult proper name of *disygothece*. (The bold *sansevaria* is one of the few house plants that will tolerate wet feet, a condition which kills more plants than any other. If you've got a heavy hand with the watering can, you'll do great damage to your plants.) The slender, brown and white-flecked mauvish leaves of the false aurelia are striking in a contemporary setting, and make a splendid addition to a group of other broad-leafed varieties.

More and more people are cactus-crazy. They're so easy and will put up with practically being ignored. Cactus come in all sizes and shapes. They're great, too, for kids who want greenery in their rooms, but tend to neglect growing things.

Hanging baskets have taken over porches, windows and virtually any available empty

corner. There are few plants which cannot be used in a hanging basket. One gardener even created a beautiful chrysanthemum effort for fall. It took lots of pruning and care, but was worth every minute of it. Look for baskets with string o' hearts - small heart-shaped delicate leaves that grow like mad - or *nematanthus*, a hardy plant with orange or golden-brown fish-head flowers on it. Large-leaf baby tears are popular, but difficult to grow, and a waffle plant with its dark green and purple leaves needs lots of water.

Worst pests for house plants seem to be spider mites and mealy bugs. Webbing and dropping of brown lower leaves indicates spider mites and need for quick action. Mealy bugs are those white cottony specks on the underside of leaves. They can be done in with an old-fashioned remedy: wash the leaves with tobacco soap, if you can find any. Otherwise, get some spray and get rid of them, fast.

Even if you're not blessed with a green thumb, there's a plant for you. Ask your garden shop clerk for a "guaranteed to grow" variety, and plant it. You'll like it!

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Australian pine trees aren't all bad

By ROBERT G. CURTIS,
Lee County Extension Director

This is another in my series of articles written in an effort to debunk some ideas and cause some thinking among the "powers-that-be," before they go too far in legislating what trees can and can't be planted.

I have become increasingly concerned that a number of our various city fathers' and other well-intending people have already passed ordinances against planting of certain trees and plan to go further.

I contend that every tree has a useful place in our ecology when planted in the right location and given the proper care. For example, the most criticized tree is the Australian pine. I often wonder what many of our beaches, causeways and islands would look like without the beauty of the Australian pine.

Admittedly it has its faults, but there are ways to get around some of these. For example, the Australian pine with the most attractive top has the bad habit of root-suckering all over the place, producing a dense thatch of trees you can hardly walk through.

There is a variety of Australian pine that does not root sucker, but the top foliage of it is rather ugly. Some nurseries have grafted the attractive top of the suckering type tree on the non-suckering root stock and come up with a beautiful Australian pine that will withstand salt spray and grow in sand or shell practically devoid of any nutrients, with little or no care and practically no pests.

The reason this tree is condemned is because so many have been blown over in hurricanes. This may not be 100 percent true, but it has been my observation that a large portion of those blown over during hurricanes or strong winds were planted close to curbs, roadsides or other artificial barriers that prohibit development of an even root system on all sides of the tree to give it proper bracing. When the winds turned from the wrong direction coming across the street where there were no roots, over went the Australian pines like tenpins in a row.

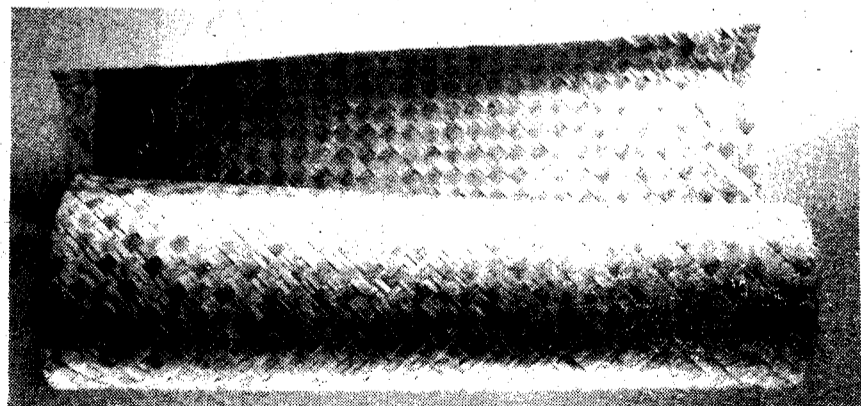
Australian pines do grow rather tall; this allows the wind to get a better grip on them, but that can be avoided by topping the trees. If we are going to eliminate trees because they tip over in hurricanes we're going to be in serious trouble because even the beautiful oak tree is very susceptible in a wet hurricane.

Those who have been here a while know there is a difference between a wet and dry hurricane. If you get lots of rain in advance of the hurricane and the soil is sopping wet, just as it has been most of this summer, all sorts of trees are readily tipped by high winds.

Please don't misconstrue this as a crusade to save the Australian pine. I use it, as an example, because the "powers that be" are proposing limits on the planting of a number of our other very useful trees. I hope they will take a very close study, listen to those trained in the subject and help us to maintain the tree canopy we so badly need in areas rapid development has made into a desert.



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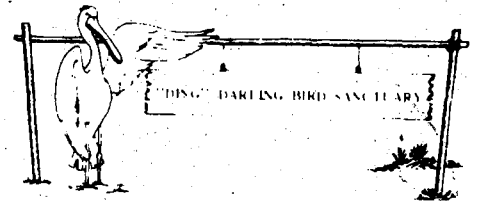


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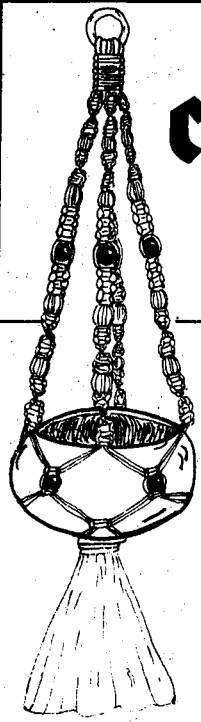
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craft column

by Barbara Boulton



For many Islanders, Barbara Boulton needs no formal introduction. She is the owner and manager of a fascinating craft shop, Idle Hours, located in Periwinkle Place.

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3. Cut 1 cord 2 yards long. Wrap it around the back of all the

cords 1" below ring. Have both ends even in front. Lay left end OVER cords, lay right end OVER one cord (which was the left end), UNDER all cords and over the loop on the left.

This is the first half of a square knot. To do second half: put left end UNDER cores, place right end UNDER one cord (which was the left end), OVER all cords and under a loop on the left. Pull firmly.

This is one complete square knot. Do 5 more complete square knots.

4. Out of the 16 cords in the middle, pick 2 short cords and 2 long cords. The long cords will be used for tying knots, the short cords will be the core. (There are 2 short loose ends left from step 3. Bury them one at a time, in 2 of the 4 cores you will have). Start with the left long cord in the group of 4. Do the first half of the square knot 12 times. It will spiral.

5. Start another of the same knot, pulling it only firm enough to make a 1" separation from the last knots. Make 11 more spiral knots.

6. Leave another 1" space and tie 3 complete square knots.

7. Slide a bead over the 2 cords which make the core. If no bead is used, just leave another 1" space.

8. Still using outside cords for tying, make 3 more square knots below the bead.

9. Leave 1" space and tie 12 spiral knots. Repeat. Repeat steps 4-9 for the other 3 groups of cords.

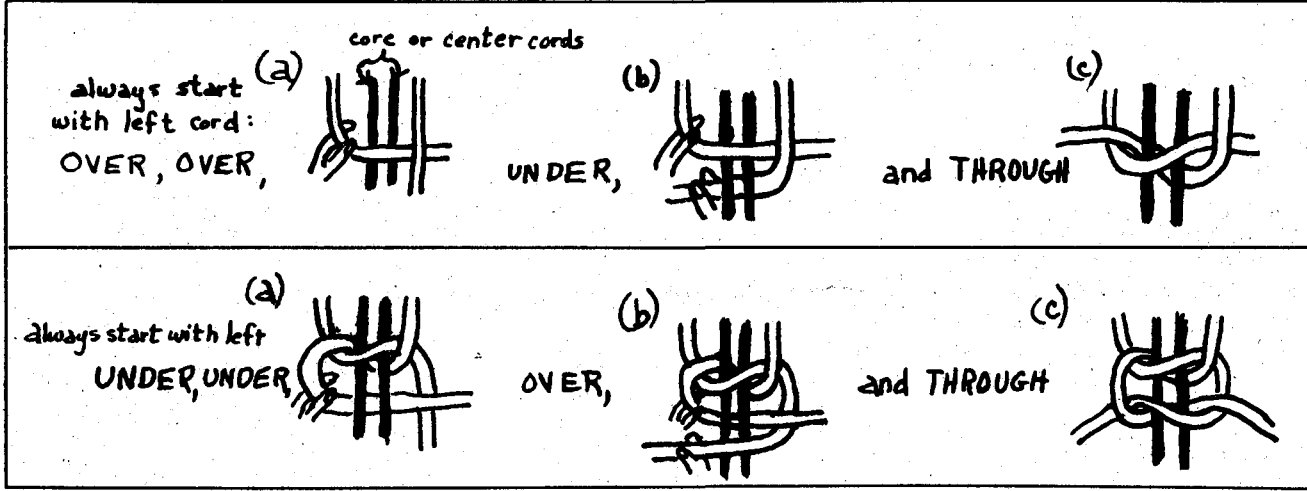
10. Take 2 cords from one group and 2 cords from a neighbor group. The tying cords now become the core. Use the outside cords to tie a square knot 4" below last knots. Slide a Bead (or leave a 1" space) over the 2 core cords. Tie another square knot under bead. Complete the round, making 3 more bead sets.

11. Alternate the cord groupings again, tying knots 3" below last knots.

12. Alternate again, tying 1" below.

13. Tie beads or shells to loose ends or wrap all cords together with a leftover piece and fringe the ends.

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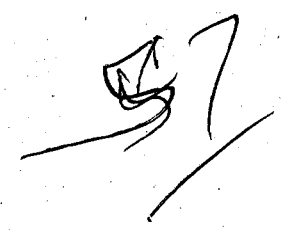


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By Congressman Skip Bafalis
WASHINGTON -- If you're a high school junior and interested in government, you'd be wise to look into the 10th Congressional District High School Intern Program.

Under this program, which I inaugurated in 1973 shortly after taking office, one junior from each high school in the 10th District will get a chance to spend a week in Washington.

So far, some 160 young men and women have had the benefit of the program - the talks with Senators and Congressmen, the visits with agency officials and the discussions with staffers.

But, the 1979 intern program will be a little different.

In the past, the interns have come to Washington in two groups, one in March and one in April. But the next group will be divided into three classes - a move made necessary by the growth in our high school population and the growth in the number of high schools.

But that will be the only change. The rest of the program will be the same.

The lucky interns will still spend literally hours talking with Senators and Congressmen, from Florida and other states. They'll sit in on committee meetings, watch both the House and Senate in action, meet informally with staff members.

But the program isn't geared solely to the legislative branch of government. The interns will get a chance to talk to and learn about the executive and judicial branches.

They will be briefed by the Pentagon, the state Department, the White House and other agencies. They'll visit the Supreme Court and the Justice Department.

They'll hear from FBI and Secret

Service officials. In short, in one week, the students will be given a well-rounded look at their government in action.

It isn't all work, however. There is time set aside for visiting the monuments and museums so prevalent in Washington. And there's a chance to sample the city's many restaurants.

All in all, previous interns have reported it an experience they will long remember.

But, if you're interested, you'd best get busy.

Sometime in the next few weeks, you should stop by the principal's office or the guidance counselor's office to pick up an application.

From the list of applicants, the members of the junior class will vote to committee, whose task it is to pick the winner and an alternate.

Want more information? Talk to the student who made the trip last year.

Then get busy and apply. You'll be glad you did.

You'll be glad too that so many individuals, businesses, civic and fraternal groups and other organizations have been willing to keep this program going with their contributions.

For the 10th District Intern Program is truly a districtwide effort. Banks, savings and loan associations, small businesses and large, Kiwanians and Rotarians, Republicans and Democrats, veterans, Realtors and food processors - all give willingly every year so these bright young people can come to Washington and learn about their government.

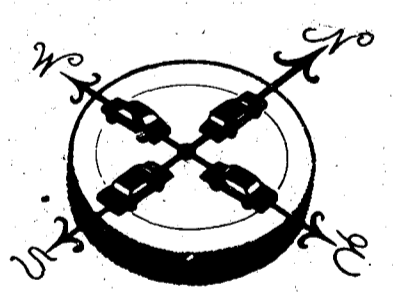
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