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IWA Board nominations to be held at general meeting

The Island Water Association (IWA) recently determined that their method of selecting nominees for its Board of Directors may not have been legal. IWA attorney Joh Fletcher said that the appointment of IWA Board President Joe Winterrowd to head up a nominating committee was not provided for in any of the documents governing the operation of the utility.

"You name the document — it is not provided for in our by-laws, the articles for incorporation, the charter with Lee County — you name it. So, it (the committee) is essentially without authority," Fletcher said. "I'm afraid that having them make nominations of people when they don't have the authority to do it and then presenting them to an open meeting as some sort of nominations would have a chilling effect on the election. If somebody got elected from this (slate) somebody could say, well, you know, that's not a legal procedure. Then we would be in a hassle challenging an election of directors for two years and that's never any good."

Winterrowd said that they had discovered their error when they ran their procedure by their attorney, "as

we usually do when we are getting things together." He decided that it was not according to our by-laws and what we have been doing in the past is not according to our by-laws, so," Winterrowd said, "we decided to get with the by-laws." According to Winterrowd, the next step is for nominations from the floor at the annual meeting.

"I thought just to stick with the by-laws" Fletcher said in a telephone interview yesterday, "and that is for nominations to be completely open. The Board of Directors has the right to suggest that they intend on their proxies to vote for somebody — that's management."

Fletcher said that he considered who was on the nominating committee and who was nominated to be "totally irrelevant."

"By the way," he added, "in my written opinion I stressed that I'm not impugning anyone's motives. Everybody was acting out of the best possible motives but it's just best to stay with the law."

The annual membership meeting for the Island Water Association is April 9 at 10 a.m. at the Community Association building.

planning commission grants four development permits

by pat harmel

A benevolent Planning Commission yesterday granted approval to four out of four requests including a Development Permit for an interval ownership development and a Development Permit to Dr. Edward Cooke for a commercial complex at the corner of Palm Ridge and Periwinkle Way.

The request for a permit to divide a parcel of land on South Ferry Road for a 15-unit interval ownership complex submitted by Captran, Inc. was the subject of debate for over two hours by Commission members. Conflict centered over the potential excessive use and possible means of preserving South Ferry Road.

Ray Fenton made the motion to approve the Development Permit with ten stipulations including: a fire hydrant be installed, a drainage plan be modified, dedication of 80 feet of right-of-way on Lighthouse Rd., modification of the site plan to preserve existing sea grapes, consultation with the Vegetation Committee on placement of a beach boardwalk, no lights on the boardwalk, the developer is to build a bike path and deed it to the city, fencing of the coastal construction setback line during construction, one access road from Lighthouse Rd. east, no development on Ferry Rd., a completion permit will be required and there will be no future development on the land.

The motion passed with only Judy Workman dissenting saying 'It is a good motion and well thought out, but I can't vote for a motion with so many revisions.' This is the first multi-family project to be granted a Development Permit since Sanibel's Rate of Growth ordinance went into effect.

Commissioners voted unanimously to approve a Development Permit request from Surety Construction for five duplexes, a single family unit and a swimming pool in Sanibel Estates. This was the developer's third appearance before the Commission on the proposed project.

Commissioner Ray Fenton left his seat to represent Dr. Edward Cooke in his fourth appearance before the Commission on a request for a permit

to construct a commercial complex. Fenton's proposal had been revised to eliminate gas pumps at the complex and to substantially move the entrance to avoid traffic congestion. The convenience store that most commissioners had objected to, however, was left in the proposal.

Commissioner Twink Underhill seconded Don Manchester's motion to approve the permit, saying, "I made my speech on economic feasibility enough times on the application and I'm not going to do it again today." Underhill added, "The applicant does have the right under the plan to build this-I don't agree with it, but he does have the right to do it."

Commissioner Joe Searing, however, questioned City Attorney Neal Bowen as to whether or not economic factors could justify voting against a Development Permit request. Bowen said economic viability was not a listed criteria for permit approval at this time.

Commissioner Judy Workman was the most verbal in her disapproval of the project saying, "Some Commissioners have voiced the opinion that a person can do with his property whatever is permitted use under the land use plan. I don't share that opinion...the Planning Commission has the authority to determine what is an appropriate use of property." Manchester's motion to approve the permit with slight revisions passed with Workman and Searing voting against it.

Mariner Properties was granted approval of proposed accessory uses at the Casa Ybel Resort which included a tennis pro shop, a gift and sundries shop to be incorporated into the office, and small sailboat rentals which would be available only to overnight guests and members of the Resort Club.

The motion to approve boat rentals came after an unanimous vote on Mariner's other two requests. There was some question as to what the City Council would approve as permitted beach uses after a review of provisions in the plan. The Commission approval of Mariner's boat rental request is to be continued on what the City eventually decides. Don Manchester was the only dissenting vote.

health and retirement discussed at seminar

story and photos by gwen stevenson

In his first appearance in the Fort Myers area since he opened the Cape Coral Youth Center almost 20 years ago, popular television moderator Hugh Downs told about 400 people that America needs a new ethic - one in which the older citizen is revered. The host of "Over Easy," a show geared for senior citizens was the keynote speaker at a Saturday seminar entitled "Retirement: The Freedom Years" sponsored by Leisure Technology Corp. developers of Leisure Village Seven Lakes Adult Community in Fort Myers.

Downs told the group that his show had taken a stand against mandatory retirement.

"There are two reasons to retire," Downs said. "The first is if you can't work, the second is if you

University of Southern California medical school. Ulene told the audience that, in his opinion, sometimes the best medicine isn't medicine. He advocates the "wholistic approach" to medicine and includes diet, exercise, and generally taking care of the body in his definition.

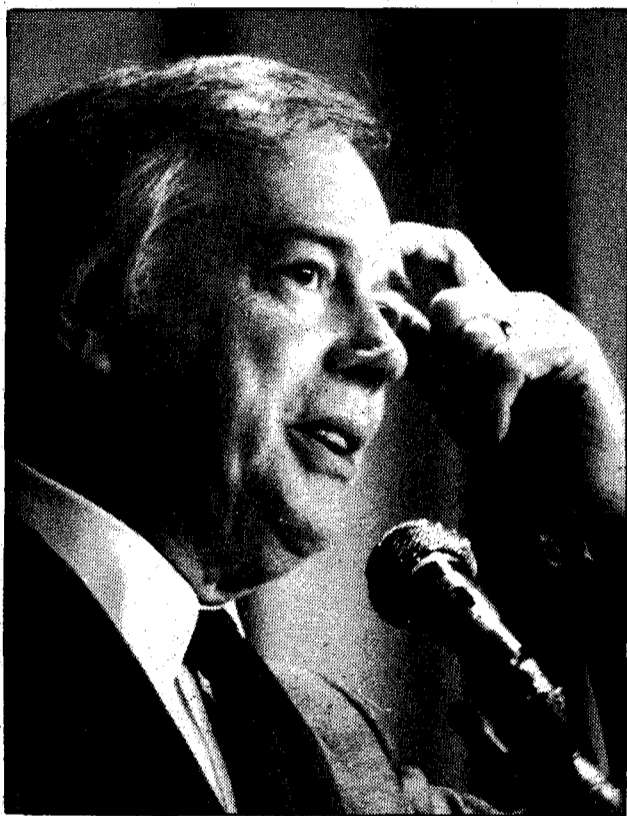
"We have confused the process of aging with the diseases of aging," Ulene stated. "It is time," he declared, "to return the older body to its rightful owner." In wholistic medicine, you are responsible for keeping yourself healthy and making yourself sick.

Ulene freely admitted being guilty of a charge made by the late Adele Davis who contended that

driving and lowered their thermostats.

"You have great political clout," Weicker told the group. "Only 34 percent of the population voted in the last general election," Weicker said, adding a plea for more participation in the political process from the retired community.

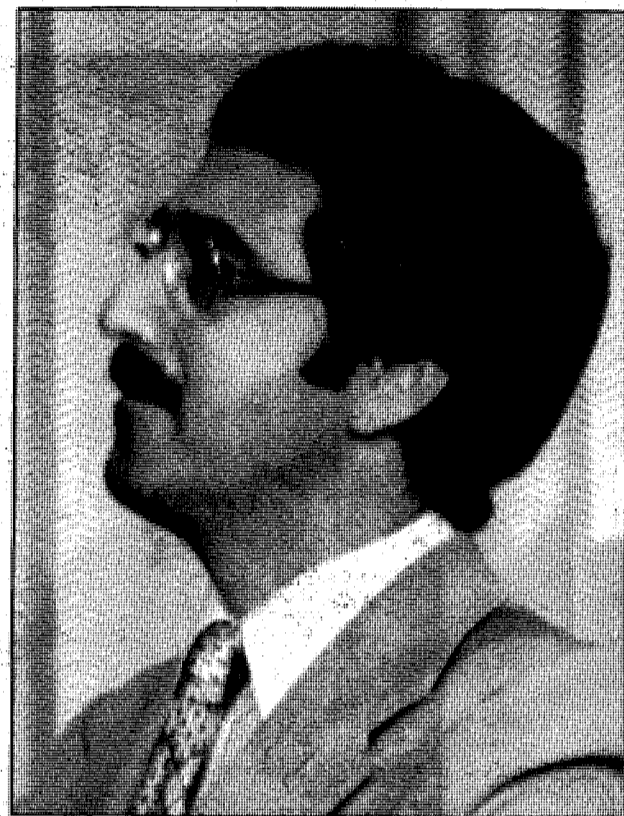
He spoke out against a constitutional amendment to balance the budget. "Sure, I believe in a balanced budget, but I can also foresee times, such as an armed conflict or excessive unemployment when I will need to have an unbalanced budget. I want human judgements. There's not a damn thing wrong with our system and I will not let the laziness of the American people in participating to overturn the



Hugh Downs



Lowell Weicker



Dr. Arthur Ulene

don't want to work and neither of those two reasons have anything to do with age." Downs added that he thought retirement was a scapegoat for people who don't want to deal with the issue of full employment for all citizens.

Successful aging, Downs believes, is a matter of five factors: flexibility, awareness of one's limitations, knowledge of options, a store of resources and an ability to achieve a sense of well being. "There is a lot of truth to Browning's words, 'Grow old along with me, the best is yet to be,'" he said.

"When I see someone who has accumulated a lot of years, I see someone who is a triumph. He's survived infant mortality, childhood diseases and middle age accidents. I would like to see the euphemisms melt away. When someone calls me an old man, I want that to be a compliment," Downs concluded.

The first speaker of the day was Dr. Arthur Ulene, health consultant for the "Today" show, a practicing physician and a member of the faculty at the

doctors don't know anything about nutrition. "I learned about the importance of nutrition from my mail", he said, referring to letters from "Today" show viewers who reported many physical improvements after changing the way they looked at themselves. He advocated a regular exercise program that the individual finds fun, accessible, can be done daily and is pain-free. Walking, swimming and cross country skiing as the three best exercises, according to Ulene. "It is never too late to start," he admonished his enthusiastic audience.

Newly-announced Republican candidate for president, Senator Lowell Weicker was also on the day's program. Weicker, who is noted for his outspoken views, told the group that if the country had instigated mandatory conservationism when he pushed for it five years ago, it wouldn't be in the fix it is now. "You don't think we haven't had rationing?" he queried. "Sure we have. The poor and the elderly and those on fixed incomes have cut down on their

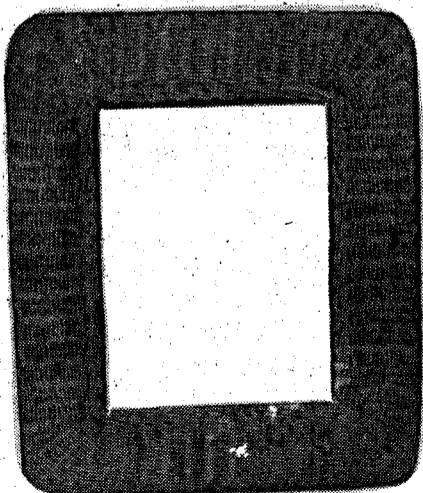
system.

Meals on Wheels has been level-funded, he revealed. "One square meal a day is the least a government can provide to its needy elderly citizen Weicker believes.

"We can't coddle senior citizens," he concluded. "As we enter the freedom years, it is important to remember that it is not a release from responsibility as citizens, instead it means more responsibility. The price for the freedom years is to give more of ourselves to ensure the freedom for those who come after."

Other speakers on the program discussed the legal implications of retirement and dislocation and a Paine Webber investment counselor touched on some tax areas that might be maximized for the older citizen.

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Barbara Hill, island potter, flung clay on a spinning disc and miraculously raised the walls of a new vase as onlookers remarked, "It looks so easy... but how does she do it?"

There are many dolls on display and for sale, and doll houses too, all dating back to the turn of the century.

Most who were there, however, will agree that the most attractive dolls were the real walking, talking kind who put on an old fashioned fashion show. The sun contributed to the heat, but there was a table in the yard upon which were large bowls full of cold punch.

The fair raised money for the benefit of the Sanibel-Captiva Gymnasts, and the young island girls cartwheeled, danced and summersaulted across the mats to the crowd's appreciative attention.



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letters to the editor

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Bill VonElff

TO THE EDITOR:

In reference to many calls and letters from irate citizens regarding the tennis court lights at the Sanibel Elementary School, for a change I have some encouraging news.

Lee County Parks Superintendent Jerry Brooks, who is in charge of this operation, told me last week that his budget, which up to now was frozen, became somewhat more liquid. This will allow him to install a push button system so that the lights can be swit-

ched off when the tennis courts are not in use. He expects to complete this installation in about two weeks.

As general information, the existing lights are Metal Halide G.E. x 503 M10A5H5. The lights are quite efficient and the consumption of power for all 16 lights is approximately 70 cents per hour.

Alex Wadkovsky
City of Sanibel Energy Officer

March 20, 1979



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hydrologist to speak at conservation center

Thomas M. Missimer, Hydrologist and Professional Geologist, will speak at the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Center on Sanibel's water resources with particular reference to the underground water which is the present source of our water system.

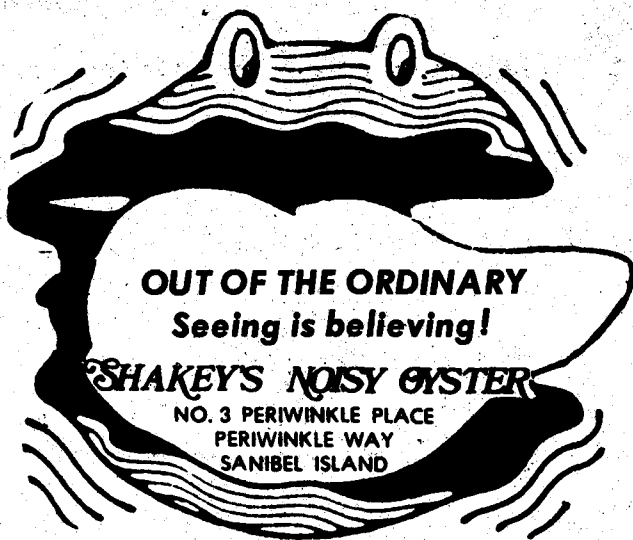
Ground-water investigations have been Mr. Missimer's speciality. While employed as a hydrologist with the U.S. Geological Survey, he was responsible for all basic data collection networks in Lee and Henry Counties. He is president of Missimer and Associates, a consulting firm. His research and consulting work has taken him to many parts of the United States, the Bahamas, South America and the Caribbean.

Mr. Missimer is a graduate of

Franklin and Marshall College and Florida State University with a Master's Degree in Geology. He is a member of more than a dozen Professional Societies and was elected chairman of the Earth and Planetary Sciences section of the Florida Academy of Sciences in 1976 and 1977.

All who have an interest in Sanibel's underground water resources will find this program to be informative. Tuesday-at-the-Center programs begin at 2 p.m. in the conservation center at 3333 Sanibel-Captiva Road. Admission is free to Foundation members; a nominal fee is charged other visitors.

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interval ownership ordinance gets first reading

BY PAT HARMEL

Sanibel's City Council held a public hearing and first reading last Thursday of a controversial Ordinance proposal which if passed, will seriously alter the future of "time sharing units" on the island.

The Ordinance defines "time sharing unit" as any hotel or motel room, apartment, condominium, or interval-ownership unit which exceeds 600 square feet in floor area and is rented for periods of less than one month. The Ordinance proposes to prevent conversion of existing facilities into time-sharing units, prohibit sales offices for the units on the property site, and guarantee 10,000 square feet of open space be provided for each unit.

About 20 island residents attended the hearing with several voicing support for the proposed Ordinance. Sanibel resident Saul Goodman asked the Council to consider a moratorium on the building of anymore interval ownership facilities on Sanibel saying, "Interval ownership brings certain things to the island that weren't intended for...they change the flavor as a whole." Goodman said his property was near two interval ownership units and "Instead of being known as the quiet end of the island we're becoming known as the interval end of the island."

Mayor Duane White questioned Goodman as to how well the interval units were maintained and whether or not there was "considerably more coming and going." Goodman claimed there was more noise, more traffic, and

more use of the public grounds because of the owner arrangement of the facilities, but conceded the upkeep wasn't "too bad."

Bob Taylor of Mariner Properties addressed the Council on the feasibility of the Ordinance. "This document," said Taylor, "deals with two different issues and I don't know why they're in the same Ordinance...I have no problem with taxation, but that's not addressed here. I have no problem with conversion and public rights protection...The problems I have are with the land use aspects. This changes the open space requirements...it's a back-door change in density."

Taylor maintained that if passed the Ordinance would effectively abolish the development of anymore short period rental properties on the island because of the increased open space requirement. "How," said Taylor, "am I going to put 50,000 square feet open space on an acre?...You can't build a

motel, a condo, or an interval ownership unit under this Ordinance. You're changing the density of the CLUP - I've already taken one cut in density. I can't take another one."

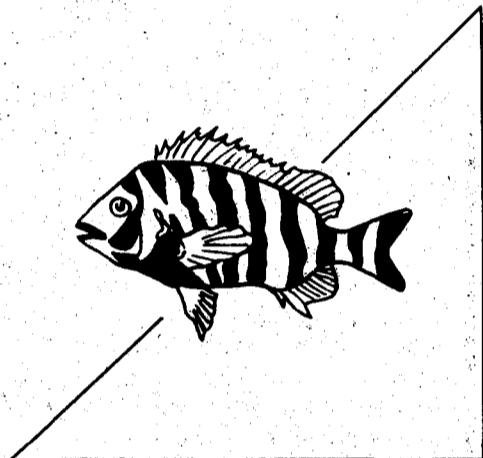
Mayor Duane White agreed with Taylor saying, "This Ordinance to me smacks of back door density change. I haven't reconciled in my own mind the matters of open space...and impact."

Councilman Porter Goss disagreed with White and said, "If I'm reading the numbers right, anyone in interval ownership can make a killing with even a density of three...this (ordinance) isn't even close to putting anybody out of business." Taylor responded with,

"I'm not even sure that's a valid City concern."

Taylor asked the Council not to pass the Ordinance until a workshop or factfinding studies had been done on the subject. "I would request," he said, "that we don't do anything until we sit down and sort through the facts - which I haven't seen any of." Council agreed to take the suggestion under advisement.

Later, Councilman Goss said the Council would probably set a date for a workshop at their next meeting. "I suspect we'll see a somewhat revised form of the Ordinance at that workshop," said Goss.



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Both Goss and Butler will request a hearing before the Commission to assess Maxwell or the legal charges incurred by the taxpayers. The City of Sanibel bore the cost of defending the two and state statutes provide for reimbursement of funds if the complaints are adjudged to be either malicious or frivolous. They were unable to present their case fully to the Commission because Maxwell was not there to answer the charges. "So it looks like we will make a trip to Tallahassee in April," Mrs. Butler commented later.

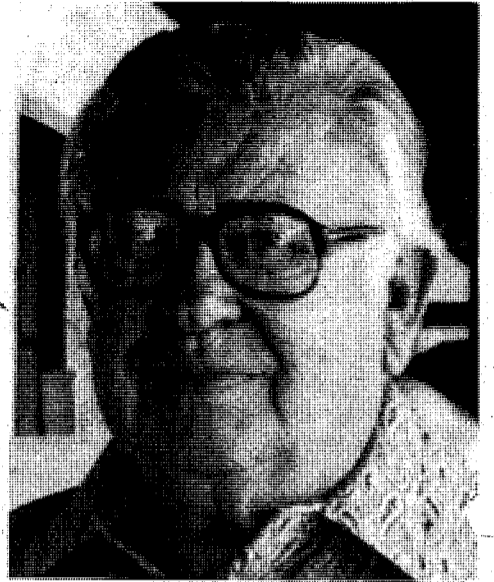
Maxwell contends that he was compelled by his conscience to bring the charges. "But, he added, "Porter and Zee have every right to seek restitution." He denies that his actions were the result of either a personal vendetta or timed to interfere with last fall's elections.

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Question: What's your opinion on the ethics commission decision?



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Clarence Horn; Sanibel: "I don't know what the particulars were..."



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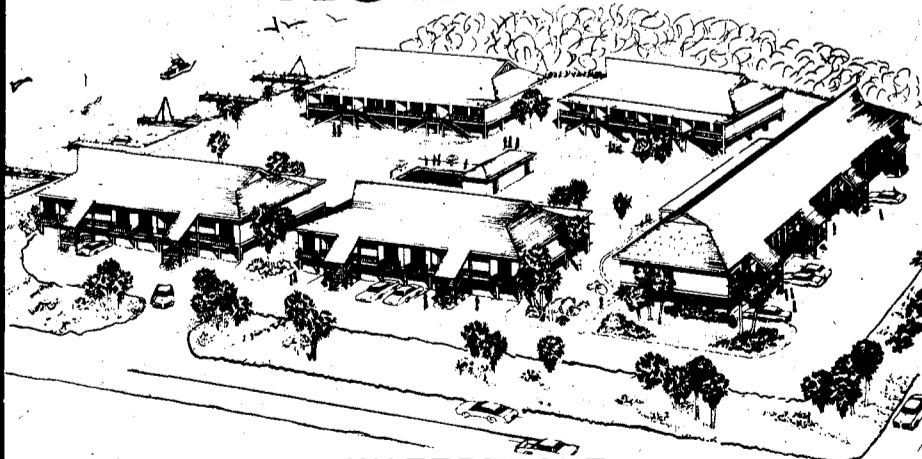
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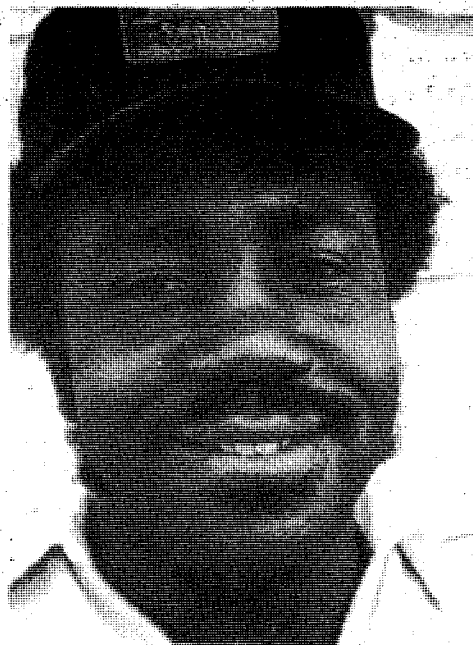
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Barbara Hill; Sanibel: "The court's decision was a good one, and I think Steve Maxwell should pay the court fees."



Victor Mayeron; Captiva: "I've been working a lot ... haven't read a paper in weeks."



Oscar Gavin; Sanibel: "I didn't get that much involved in it, so I can't voice an opinion."



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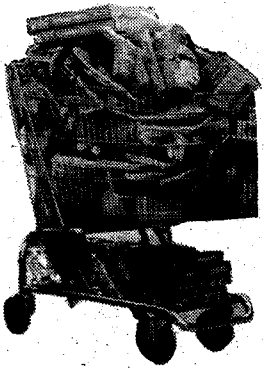
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The Unbelievable Cram-A-Cart Escapade

STORY AND PHOTOS BY OLIVER EVANS

What would you do if you were the only person left in the world? Would you loot to your heart's content?

Bob Louwers, Island Exxon proprietor, came close to realizing the answer when he found himself abandoned in Bailey's General Store last Wednesday night. Except for a small crowd of fellow Lions and friends roped off at the cash registers, Bob was, in fact, the only man doing the weekly shopping.

But he didn't have a grocery list. He didn't know really what he was going to pick up. "Just a few things at the store," he might have said were he asked.

He acted like he owned the place. The bystanders never restrained their impulse to cheer the man on in his food frisking spree, and their echoes chased after him as he ran down one aisle, up another; as he crossed over in mid-floor to lift a few more steaks, toss in a couple of chops, clear the shelves of condiments and liberate the cold cuts.

If Bob never went in for impulse buying before, he acted now like a convert in a campaign to feed starving children. The food was free, however, and that may have helped.

Close your eyes, throw out your arms and grab. Grab the bacon, the beef, the balogna.

He spun around the cart, the wheels rolled at a clip over the terrazzo. A look of mad abandon glimmered in his eyes,

his face glistened in perspiration under the strain of a five minute rush. Is it

true? Is it really happening?

Grab a handle on a frozen food compartment door, anyone - which one? - this one? - wait, no that one! don't be picky - hold it right here a second and load up on the Bird's Eye -

head for the gourmet shelf now - no, later - hurry! - on second thought ... who's got the time for second thoughts? - get moving! - who cares if they're watching you! ... all right ... now for the cheese, then double back and beat it to the ice cream - no, ice cream'll melt ... but it can't melt in five minutes!

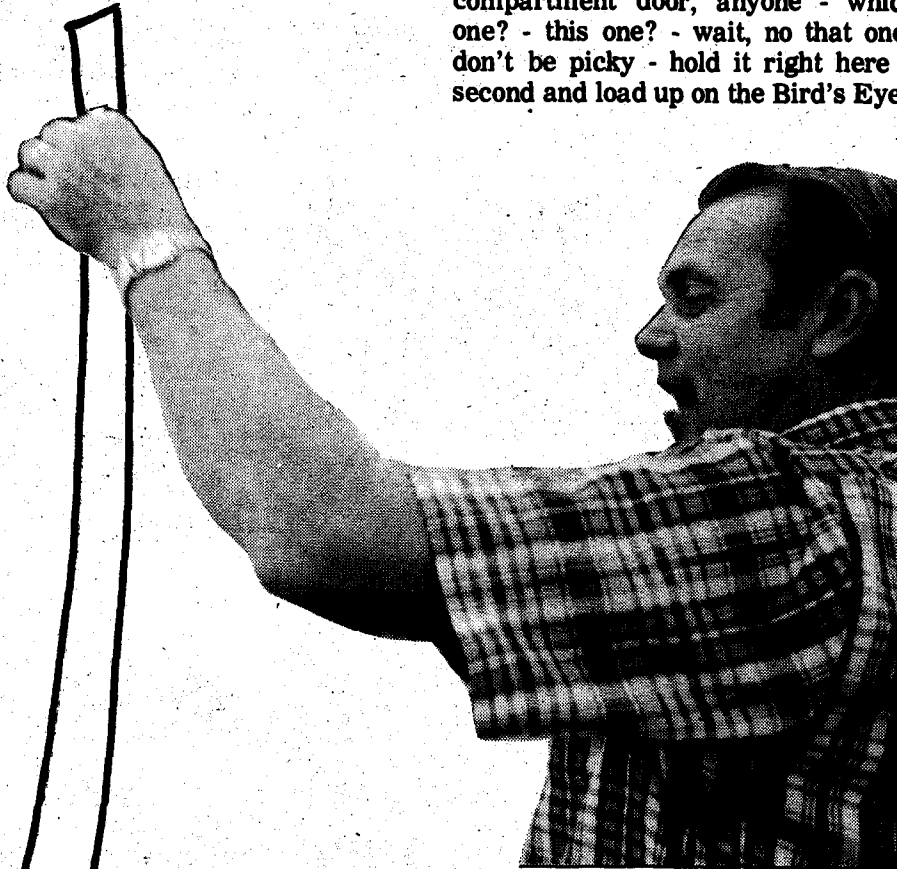
He diminished in size when he skipped down one aisle, the cart clattering ahead of him, and his form as he pushed the silver cart between rows of cans that towered like guardians in a coveted illusion enlarged upon reaching the entrance to another corridor, loomed when he approached one lane-end only to bend away down another row of sustenance.

Ah, dreams. What are they made of but days in Spring, ideals, discontent and a cart crammed full of free beef.

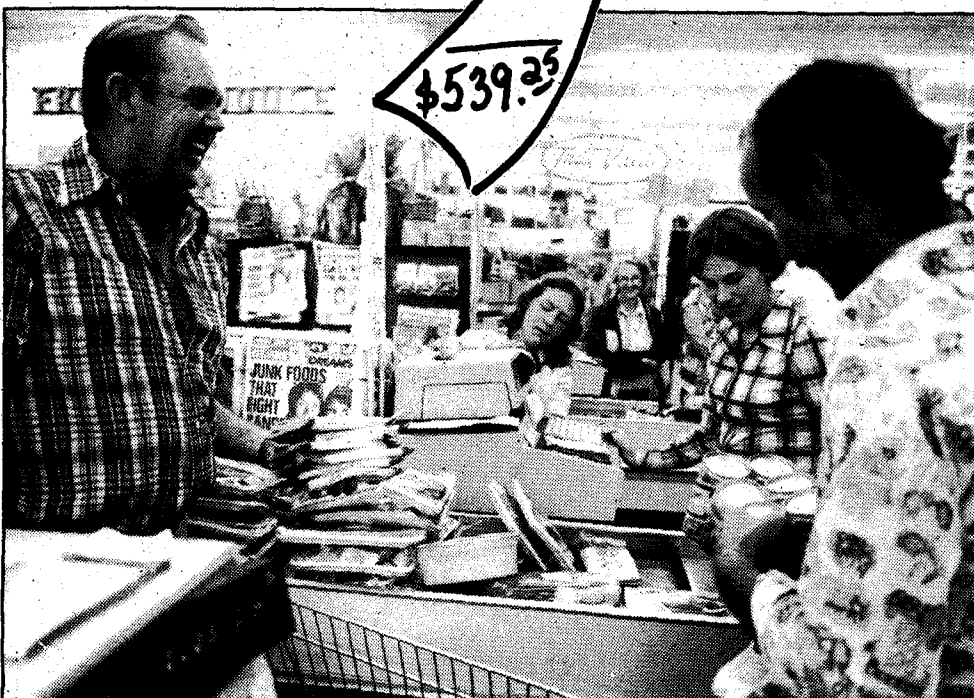
The total take in dollars and cents? \$539.25, paid for by the Lions Club.

Sponsored by the Sanibel-Captiva Lions, the "Cram-A-Cart" event, was a fund raiser to benefit the club's eyesight conservation endeavors.

Bob Louwers was smart. He bought \$25 worth of tickets in a game of chance, and made a dream come true.



When the dust - and the cash register cleared, Bob Louwers had spent \$539.25 of the Lions money. Lions club president Jim Hermes looks at the check a little askance!



PERMIT REFUND DENIED:**developer plans legal action**

by pat harmel

Despite a suggestion from Sanibel's Senior Building Inspector that partial reimbursement for a building permit might be in order, City Council voted last week not to reimburse the Kenleen Corporation for expenses incurred in a permit interpretation mix-up.

John Goode, representing the Corporation, and David Thompson, owner of Kenleen, appeared before Council to request reimbursement for a second building permit they purchased when their first one expired because a required foundation inspection had not been requested.

Sanibel requires a foundation inspection within 60 days of receiving a building permit. Goode claimed that bad weather was responsible for his not

having a completed foundation at the Sandpiper Cove development site within the allotted time. City Engineer Hal Bassman, told the Council, however, that an inspection could have been made on a test piling. On Feb. 15, a building inspector closed the site (although no official stop work order was issued) because the 60-day period had passed without the appropriate inspection. The next day Goode renewed the permits at a cost of \$5062.

Goode and Thompson maintained they should be reimbursed for the purchase of the second permit because technically they could have passed a foundation inspection based on test pilings at the time their permit expired. Councilman LeBuff questioned

why they had not called for an inspection if they had the pilings in place. Goode responded, "It's possible for someone to have a test piling in place and inspected at 60 days and not build another thing." Thompson reiterated their belief that a foundation inspection meant an entire foundation and not a piling, saying, "I won't call for an inspection on something that's not ready to be inspected."

Goode, a former acting Sanibel Building official, questioned the validity of a foundation inspection made on one piling. He also told the Council, "When I was a building official, we'd let them (the developers) run over a few days" if they were ready to pour the foundation. Duane White countered with, "Well, then you were wrong."

Senior Building inspector George Blain then suggested that a reimbursement for work already completed under the first permit might be in

order. That amount would total about 12 and a half percent of the total permit fee. Councilman Francis Bailey agreed, saying, "You acted in good faith, going down the very next day to pay your permit fees, and you didn't stomp your feet and yell about it."

Councilman Duane White disagreed, however, saying, "To me the burden was on you ... It's a matter of integrity for our administration and our building inspectors ... It's not a matter of the money - it's a matter of principal."

In a vote of 2 to 1 the Council voted against Kenleen's request. Council members Zee Butler and Porter Goss were not present.

Commenting later on the Council's decision, Thompson said, "I think their decision is unreasonable and the ordinance is unreasonable on its face and as applied to our situation. Since they are not going to correct it, I'm going to ask the judge to correct it."



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on the water

by mike fuery

It's not every fishing trip that an angler ends up with a prize shell and fish too, but as in keeping with strange things happening in Spring, it happened this week.

With all the debris on the bottoms of Redfish and Captiva Passes, it's fairly common to find a branch or part of a shell on your hook when you reel in your line. But, a few days ago I was

fishing with a man from New Jersey who reeled in a perfect, large welk of about five pounds. We still can't believe that it was hooked in the muscle the way it was, but the shell came in and is now a prized display for a fella fishing for trout.

That's not all. Upper Captiva Island is going to challenge Caspastrano for swallow popularity. On the day the

swallows were to make their historic return to Capastrano, California, there were thousands swarming over Upper Captiva Island too. The tiny birds seemed to be eating flying insects. They made a unusual sight even for this non-bird watcher.

There are reports that the tarpon are showing up in Captiva and Boca Brande Passes. It seems that these large, silver fish are right about on schedule so far as migrating to feed in the passes.

That means it's time to get those

heavy rods and reels out, serviced and ready for duty should you want to tackle one of these fish. You have to remember that the appearance of a couple doesn't signal the start of the season, but it does indicate that we are just about there. Until that water temperature gets out of the high sixties and into the seventies, there won't be much action.

Snook and tarpon appear about the same time, so perhaps the ole linesides is due back in town too. More on snook fishing next week.

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islander angling

There's small action in Dinken's Bayous. Sugar trout (which I hear aren't worth keeping) are nibbling the shrimp there, and some small sheepshead are keeping them company.

The big trout and reds are in force in Pine Island Sound around the mangroves and channels. Blues and marlin are being sighted a mile off shore in the gulf.

Randy Bending of Tween Waters Marina says "In the next couple of weeks the snook and tarpon will really be popping up." Still, two snook weighing eight to ten pounds, along with some ten-pound reds were taken at high tide last week.



Last Friday's big catch were nine redfish and a trout, caught by Mr. and Mrs. Eric Yeiser of Cincinnati, Ohio.

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F	30	1:54 AM H	7:39 AM L	1:14 PM H	8:59 PM L
Sa	31	2:49 AM H	8:03 AM L	*1:46 PM H	9:51 PM L
Su	1	3:55 AM H	8:19 AM L	2:22 PM H	10:54 PM L
M	2	5:22 AM H	8:40 AM L	3:04 PM H	11:56 PM L
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* Denotes strong tides
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Tides courtesy of THE REAL EEL - Herb (Skip) Purdy

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

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

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

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

island golf

The scores of the women's game played March 23 at the Dunes Country Club are: Ginny McKee (45, low gross); Betty Puff (31, low net); and Pearl Vasco (18, low putts).

Three-men teams played best ball with full handicap closest to pin six Wednesday, March 21.

Team number four, Maynard, Ohlmann and Newell came in first place with a plus 9.

Second place was team number one, Uhr, Roberts and Curtis with a plus 3.

Winners of Monday's game (March 19) were Abbie Litchard, Anne Alquist, Herta Howland, Jean Reed, Eileen Joy and Jean Alquist.

Top players were Mary Phillips and Marjorie Martorelli.

A banquet will be given by the Beachview Women's Association March 30 at the Sundial. Reservations for the event beginning at 12 o'clock can be obtained by calling Marie Hawthorne, 472-4416.



Phyllis Carlson of Manistique, Michigan, was playing the Dunes course last Friday when she made her first hole in one. Mrs. Carlson was using a number 3 wood club at 131 yards.

The first place team with a plus six was H. Rostow; R. Ware; W. Schmid; B. Robertson.

The second place team with a plus four was B. Jenkins; C. Bowen; T. Wilson; and H. Groh.

1st Place Winners:

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- B. Meyers
- J. Davidson

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2nd Place Winners:

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- C. Bowen
- T. Wilson

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"It is a pernicious but beautiful weed." — American botanist Fernald, speaking of the oxeye daisy, the black sheep of the chrysanthemum family.

A field full of Mother Nature's daisies is such a pretty sight one wonders how it is possible to classify one blossom a flower yet debase another by calling it a weed.

T. Terry Rankin, a one-time farmer who for 20 years has been a wholesale florist at the same spot on College Parkway, could tell you the difference between the two.

No flower is ever cursed and plowed under and no weed is ever planted and pruned, primped and protected and told it's day when it's night to make it grow straight and tall. To a wholesale florist some weeds may be pretty but they are unwanted. Flowers, however, are favored children.

Tourists who drive by Terry's flower farm are so taken by his expanse of chrysanthemums basking in the sun under their protective mesh umbrellas that they often stop to photograph those thousands of fiery-bright flower heads.

It is these plants that later find their way to florist shops and into the hands of Valentine sweethearts, husbands who remember (or forget) anniversaries and moms who like mums for Easter arrangements.

Terry's chrysanthemums begin as two-inch cuttings he purchases from a propagator on the east coast, or he said, "from whomever can offer the best price." In a year Terry will plant 450,000 square feet of these cuttings which will eventually yield about 150,000 chrysanthemum bunches for retail sale.

Planting begins around the first of October. Chrysanthemums require 14 to 15 weeks to reach their desired height but will blossom much earlier when the days grow short in fall and winter. Since long-stemmed chrysanthemums are much preferred, the plants are fooled into thinking the sun is shining, when in fact that "sunshine" is a string of lightbulbs over each flower bed. To a mum, light is light, thus the chrysanthemums grow tall before blossoming. "If the lights were left on 24 hours a day they would grow clear to the top of the shade tent and fall over," said Terry.

Harvesting season at Terry's farm used to run from Thanksgiving to Mother's Day. He shortened the season a few years ago to January through April because a recent flood of wholesale flowers from South America and lack of demand for Florida-grown flowers in the northern part of the country during spring means a low wholesale market price during much of the year, Terry said.

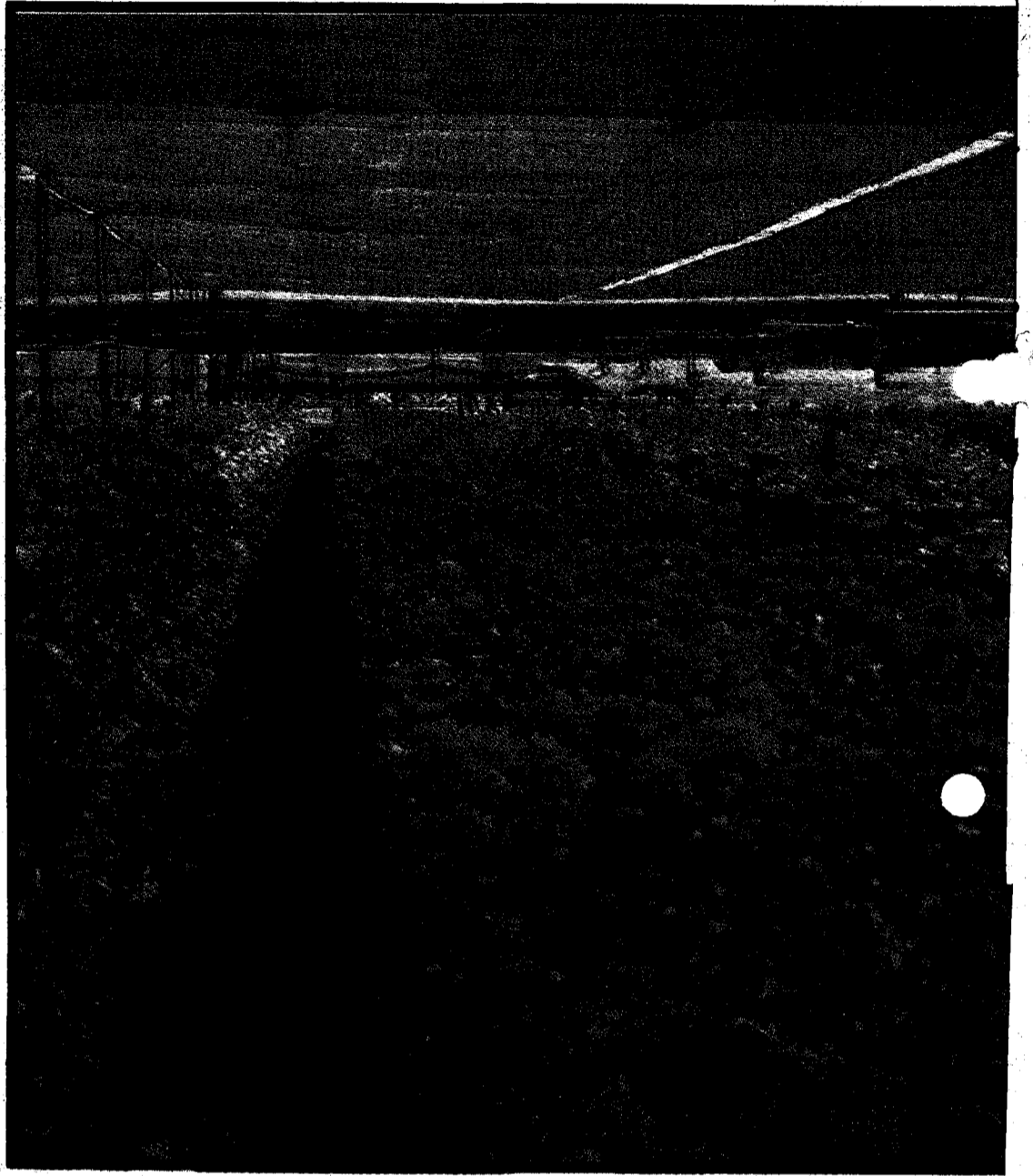
Terry plants 12 times a year. The amount of acreage planted depends on the holiday anticipated, with top harvesting production aimed for Valentine's Day. Each week new beds are planted and harvested beds are laid to rest until the next planting season.

His crop is divided up by color and variety according to customer demand. Half of his crop is the popular white shade, a quarter is yellow and the rest are divided between what the trade calls "pink," a color actually closer to lavender, and "bronze," a burnt golden-orange shade.

Although the pompon chrysanthemum (the trade name for the small globe-shaped or daisy-like mums Terry cultivates) is a hearty flower related to the wild and often pesky oxeye daisy, pompons are nevertheless pampered to perfection.

If weather is not kind to chrysanthemums, the cultivator can compensate. Two pipelines run over Terry's flower beds. One provides irrigation and fertilization and the other is a propane gas line, which when red hot will pour radiant heat over the plants to prevent frost damage.

Tent-like awnings are strung over each of Terry's five-acre plant "houses." These fine, mesh screens filter strong sunlight that pales the vibrant hues of the blossoms. The screens also break heavy rains into mist that saturates the ground without beating it into a hard, rock-like soil mums aren't particularly fond of.



Despite the gentle beauty of the chrysanthemum, a flower so revered by the Japanese that they celebrate the Feast of the Chrysanthemum each October, mums have many vicious enemies.

"The red spider, aphid and thrips will suck moisture out of the plants. The worst is the red spider. It will break the foliage and turn it yellow," said Bill Pitts, T. Rankin Terry's foreman for the past 20 years. To keep these pests at bay the beds are sprayed each week with a variety of insecticides.

In order to achieve a uniform look to each spray of blossoms, a large bud in the center of the spray must be removed because that bud will bloom first and die before the other buds blossom. This process is called "crowning," said Terry. "We get a nice-looking spray with three or four blossoms at the same stage instead of one that's too ripe," he said.

Once the blossoms have opened to their full beauty, harvesting begins. The stems are cut and bunches are sent back into the packing house on a conveyer belt.

Terry is the only wholesale florist in the area, if not in the state, who uses a conveyer belt. A mechanical engineering graduate, Terry designed and built the conveyer system himself with help from his employees. The belt is made of the same Saran mesh that covers the flower beds.

Terry claims there is much less flower breakage with his conveyer belt system than with the old cart and tractor method. The conveyer system also "saves some labor," said Terry. Once he had 18 hands working in the field at a time. Now there are only three on the conveyer belt at harvest time.

"There was no problem in setting it up," said Terry of his unique harvesting method. "The layout of the packing house was such that we could run it in," he said.

The packing is a simple and quiet operation. The

flowers roll in and first are weighed on dough scales like the kind used in a bakery. The sprays are bunched according to color and bunch weighs approximately 100 grams.

The bunches are then rubbed with a soft cloth and placed back on the line with a dip into a moisture dress. Bunches are then either placed in a sleeve for individual sale or placed in a box and shipped out.

A "flower factory" had usually been open 12 hours a day in the field and only 8 hours spent packing cartons and delivering to the truck terminals where they are taken to retail florists.

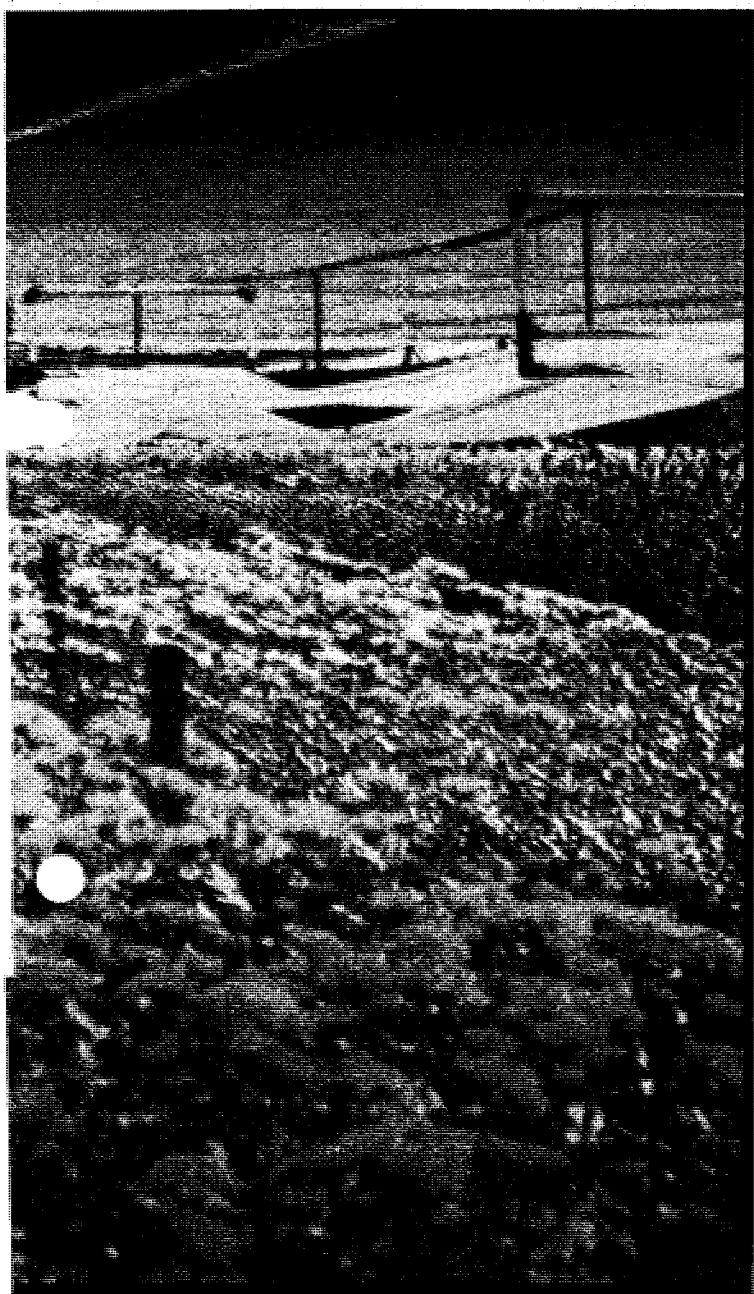
"It all goes pretty smoothly," said Terry, an employee of Terry's. "We get 'em, get 'em out, and clean 'em up." "I like it 'cause I like being a nature freak myself," said Terry. "I like to make stuff grow."

Note — Cut chrysanthemums last for three weeks, says Terry. Re-water once every few days.

When cuttings are kept in water, a film forms over the water supply to the top of the stem and that will do the trick.

Story and Photos
By Nancy De...

BLOOMING



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scales to batch bread.
According to weight. One
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banded together and
before they finish their
small funnel designed to
protective, clear plastic
stored in water-filled
boxed in groups of 35

works three to four
a line. Afternoons are
bringing them to airports
are then shipped that

said Billy Pritchett,
cut the flowers, pack
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inside and I'm kind of
flower farm hand. "I

will keep for up to
number to change the
trim the stems.
for a long period of
them, choking off the
water. Snip a bit off the
top, said Terry.

The T. Terry Rankin flower factory produces a riot of color, above.

At top right, a single bloom signals that the other buds will soon burst forth.

At bottom right, a worker cuts flowers in full bloom to send to the marketplace.

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municipal records

by pat harmel

moratorium requested

Area businessman Bernie Tool submitted a petition to City Council last week calling for a temporary moratorium on development of anymore retail shops or commercial complexes on the island. The petition was signed by 40 local merchants and asked for a moratorium until a study could be conducted to determine whether any more retail businesses were needed on Sanibel.

Council accepted the petition and agreed to take the request under advisement.

Price named

assistant city manager

City Council last week named Gary Price to the position of Assistant City Manager. The appointment came in an unanimous Council vote after City Manager Bill Nungester highly recommended Price for the position.

Price has been employed by the City of Sanibel for one year as Director of Public Works and assistant to the City Manager. He will maintain his position

as Public Works Director in addition to the Assistant City Manager position.

Council approved permit fee hike

City Council has approved the rate hike on applications for Development Permits recommended by the City Manager's Adhoc Committee on Permit fees.

The unanimous Council vote raised the fee for short form Development Permits from \$10 dollars to \$200 dollars, the fee for long form Development Permits from \$75 to \$300 dollars, and the short form Development Permit for other than dwelling units to 10 cents per square foot or \$19 dollars, whichever is greater. The Council also voted to implement a \$10 dollar referral charge "when it becomes necessary to refer an incomplete application back to the applicant for additional work."

Councilman Frances Bailey questioned the extreme increase saying, "Our fees are alot higher than other areas and I just hate to see us

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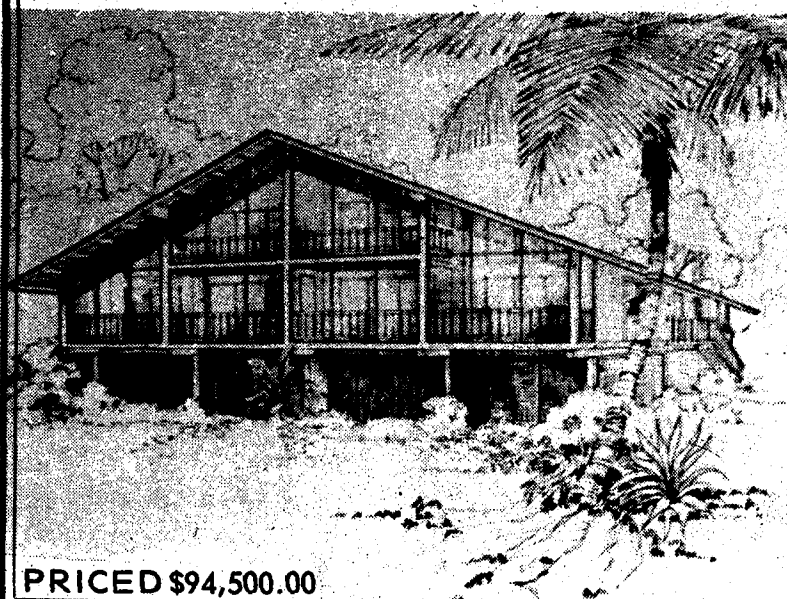
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keep raising them."

Mayor Duane White and Council member Zee Butler responded that fee increases were the result of implementing a comprehensive land use plan. "Just wait until Cape Coral and Fort Myers adopt a land use plan and have to go through a review process," said Butler. "We'll see their fees go up too."

White reiterated Butler's sentiments, saying, "Managed growth costs and the people here are getting an awful lot for their money . . . If we're going to dance to this tune then we're going to have to pay the fiddler."

City Manager Nungester also reported on the City's Building Permit fees, but recommended no increase. They will remain at three quarters of one percent of the current building costs as determined by the City Manager.

City Council last week approved reimbursement of out-of-pocket expenses for Council members Zee Butler and Porter Goss incurred while acting in an official capacity.

Butler's expenses included a Legislative luncheon, airfare to Tallahassee, 16 trips to City Hall, five

trips to Fort Myers, one trip to the airport, and fees for accommodations and parking at the Tallahassee Hilton Hotel. Total reimbursement to Butler was \$223.48.

Goss was reimbursed \$109.46 for 22 trips to City Hall, six trips to Fort Myers, one trip to Fort Myers Beach, official lunches and registration for a Legislative conference.

City Manager Bill Nungester has reported to Council that contracts for construction of the San-Cap Road bike path have been signed and notice to commence has been sent to the contractor. Nungester also reported a draft agreement between the City and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (concerning encroachment of the path on "Ding" Darling Sanctuary land) has been sent to Jacksonville. The City has not yet received a response on the tentative agreement from the Jacksonville Wildlife office.

Council member Frances Bailey appealed to City Council last week to "do whatever is necessary" to preserve the Lighthouse located on the

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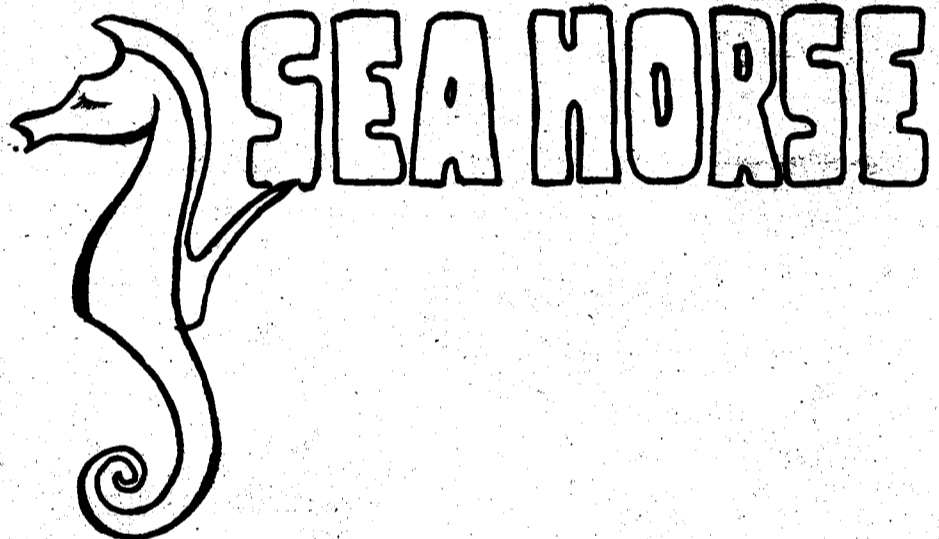
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east end of the Island. Council unanimously agreed on the historical value of the Lighthouse and will be contacting legislative representatives for information on State preservation of the Lighthouse.

Council member Zee Butler told City Council last week that a compromise agreement between developer John Oster and a City appointed fact-finding team had been reached. Butler is expected to make a recommendation to Council on the matter April 3.

Council member Zee Butler reported to City Council last week on progress being made by the City appointed Moderate Cost Housing Committee. Butler, who chairs the committee, announced that five ad hoc committees had been formed to study various aspects of the problem. Dick Workman will be chairing a committee to set up eligibility guidelines for housing, Louise Johnson will chair a committee

handling preparation and distribution of the two questionnaires to be circulated to employers and employees, Ray Fenton will head a committee charged with forming provisions for MCH throughout the island in regards to the Comprehensive Land Use Plan, Warren Hyde will chair a committee to study and recommend an appropriate vehicle for administrating the MCH program, and Carlton Simmons' ad hoc group is exploring possibilities of program funding assistance.

The Moderate Cost Housing Committee will be meeting March 30, at which time they hope to finalize the questionnaire. According to Butler, the League of Women Voters is giving consideration to handling the distribution and pick-up of questionnaires.

The City Council of Sanibel unanimously passed a resolution last week "urging the Florida Board of Regents to approve the total funds

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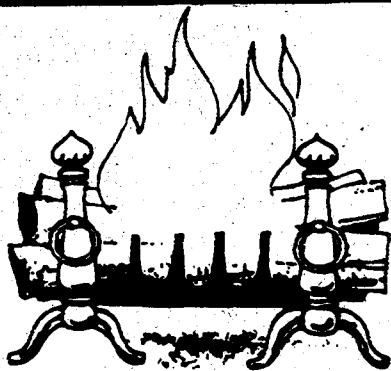


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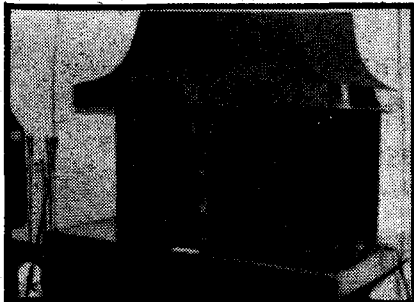
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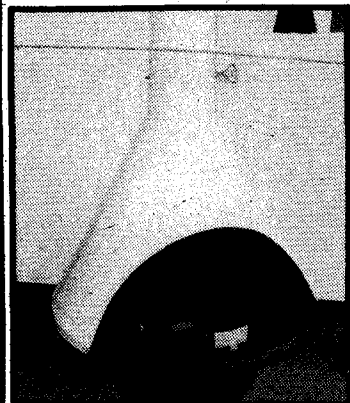
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needed to commence the construction of the campus of the University of South Florida in Lee County."

A similar resolution has been passed by several cities within the area urging the establishment of the proposed branch campus in Fort Myers.

A first hearing was held last week on an Ordinance that would specifically amend the Comprehensive Land Use Plan and allow for an increase from 10 percent to 20 percent of impermeability. The variance is being sought by Abbott and Elizabeth Byfield and pertains to Lot 71 of the Gulf Pines Subdivision. The second hearing and public reading will be held May 1 at 1:30 p.m., MacKenzie Hall.

Discussion and first reading of an Ordinance amending the current graphics Ordinance on Sanibel was held last week by City Council. Changes recommended by Council in the proposed amendment would eliminate an applicant seeking a variance having to go through Planning Commission review. The second hearing on the proposal will be April 17.

City Council last week unanimously approved an increase in the 1978-79 operating budget of the City. Implementation of the new Rate of Growth Ordinance (ROGO), the \$3.19 million dollar loan borrowed by the City to purchase the Algiers and Causeway properties, and the increased over-all cost of running the City were cited as factors in increasing the operating budget from \$1.709 million to \$1.892 million.

Greg Brooks, owner and operator of

B & B Boat Rental, appeared before City Council last week to appeal an administrative decision reducing his permitted number of rental sail boats.

Brooks had been issued a City Occupational License three years ago allowing him to own and rent to the public three sailboats.

According to Brooks, the demand for rental boats far exceeded what he was able to provide with only three boats. He returned to the City staff and requested an increase in licensing to allow for a total of six rental boats. A clerk in the License and Permit Division then issued the license evidently unaware that six boats exceeded the permitted use under the Comprehensive Land Use Plan.

Brooks told the Council that he was unaware that his license was in

violation until he was approached by a prospective buyer for the rental operation. While checking with City administration to determine if his Occupational License for the business was transferrable, Brooks was told a mistake had been made and his license was transferable - but only for three boats. According to Brooks, the economic viability of the rental operation will be severely damaged if the allowable number of rental boats was reduced.

Councilman Charles LeBuff said, "It's a compatible use of a beach front and I have absolutely no problems with him having six boats." Councilman

Duane White however, disagreed, saying, "I have a tremendous problem with it ... the lawful existing use in the Comprehensive Land Use Plan is very explicit ... I believe if we let you keep six boats we're putting our Land Use Plan in serious jeopardy."

Noting that the City was presently exploring the issue of allowable beach uses, White asked Brooks if he would be willing to continue his request until such time as the City was ready to make recommendations on permitted beach uses. Brooks, who's current Occupational License will remain in effect until September, agreed to a continuation of his hearing.

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SEWER COMMITTEE HOLDS FIRST MEETING

The City Council's committee to investigate and make recommendations on sewerage treatment for the City of Sanibel held its first meeting last Friday. The five-man committee elected Don Manchester, chairman and Joe Winterrowd Vice-Chairman and settled down to outline its priorities and work scope.

Sanibel Mayor Duane White told the committee that, in his opinion, the "city is in an almost threatening condition through pollution in existing waterbodies" He cited the canals in Shell Harbor as an example, saying that many of them were not getting proper tidal flush. In addition, the mayor said that there are three or four small package plants on the Island that are giving the city trouble. "We definitely need testing done and done fast," he said.

He told the committee that the Lee County Environmental Laboratory was planning on testing on Sanibel the week of April 16 and the committee was charged with coming up with suggestions for the Lab to consider.

White said that he wanted the committee to come up with a policy of sewage treatment, investigate the problems of the shallow water table, the permitting of shallow wells, wetlands management and come up with a definite recommendation to council about the direction the Island should go with its sewage plan.

The committee decided to hear reports from the chairmen of two defunct ad hoc committees, one on water conservation and the other on wetlands management at their next meeting.

One area White said he hoped would come up would be the mandatory yearly inspection of septic tanks and, if they are causing a problem, give the owner 30 days to clean it up.

Manchester suggested that the committee should, in formulating their recommendations, work with the Island Water Association to find out where the water goes. Where people need water, they will also need sewers," he said.

Tim Boggett, Director of Administration for Mariner Properties which manages the Sanibel Sewer System told the committee that his company could extend their lines down Gulf Drive. (The lines currently stoop at Tarpon Bay Road) and the remaining area of Shell Harbor. "We can serve everyone on the Island," he said, "but it becomes expensive."


White said that the land use plan requires the city to provide a system

for all the commercial and residential units on the Island and to investigate the city acquisition of the Sanibel Sewer System. The Committee agreed that the city was going to have to establish some interim controls, no matter what the final decision was.

Boggett was asked to provide good operational policies and procedures for package plant management that the city might use as a guideline with some of the smaller plants that have been causing problems. Winterrowd stated that the septic tanks were going to have to be thoroughly investigated as well. Boggett is also to provide the committee with a dollar sum for adding every residence east of Shell Harbor to the system.

"We've got a lot of problems," Mayor White concluded, "but we've got a good committee." The next meeting will be Friday, April 6 at 10 a.m.

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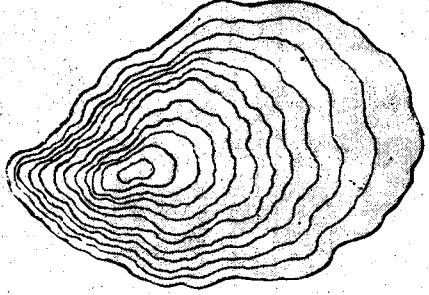


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Island residents file suit against City

By Pat Harmel

The City of Sanibel is once again facing a lawsuit stemming from adoption of their Comprehensive Land Use Plan. This one, filed earlier this month by Julia Stewart and Kathryn Casparis, requests judicial relief in attaining building permits or "relief as the court may deem equitable or proper."

Stewart and Casparis are the owners of lots 4 and 5, block C, in the area known as Del Sega Unit One. According to the complaint filed by Attorney Jay Brett of the Shepard and Woolsair Law Office, Lee County Building Permits had been issued to the original property owner, Ralph Bartholomew, before the incorporation of Sanibel. Bartholomew's permits allowed for the construction of two buildings on the property, and the exterior walls and roof decking were completed when

building was interrupted in 1975.

The suit then charges that on February 11, 1977, after incorporation of the City of Sanibel, Bartholomew received a letter from the then City Planning Director Carleton Ryffel, assuring him that construction of the buildings had been approved by Sanibel. Upon furnishing proof of compliance with appropriate City building codes a building permit would be issued for completion of the project to either Bartholomew or to whomever the property was sold. Relying on the information in that letter, Stewart and Casparis then purchased the property.

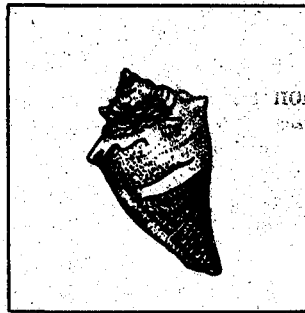
The plaintiffs claim they then submitted plans in compliance with the applicable building codes but were told a building permit would not be issued until a water hook-up permit was obtained from the Island Water Association. At that time, however, a moratorium on water permits on the island was in effect.

On April 1, 1978, the plaintiffs claim to have obtained the necessary water permits at a cost to them of \$10,570. On October 3, 1978, Casparis and Stewart mailed their building permit application to Sanibel City staff. A letter dated Oct. 12, and signed by an administrative assistant in the Planning Department, was received by the plaintiffs denying their permit on the grounds it was not consistent with the Comprehensive Land Use Plan (C.L.U.P.).

Casparis and Stewart contend in

their lawsuit that, based on the information they received before buying the property, they are not now required to build within compliance of the CLUP, but Sanibel has consistently maintained CLUP compliance is a valid condition for denial of building permits.

After reviewing the lawsuit, Councilman Porter Goss commented, "I'm surprised they went to court. I'm sure a remedy could have been reached right here if they just would have appeared before City Council."



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Born in Apopka, Uncle Clarence came to Sanibel when he was five years old, and when it was time to go to work, Clarence did every kind of odd job there was, including that of lighthouse keeper for a few years. Most of his life, however, he has been "more of a farmer than anything else."

In the days when all the land between the Lighthouse and Bailey's Shopping Center was farm country, Uncle Clarence bought a house and 60 acres of land for only \$1800. His old house is the one on Periwinkle Way between Jim's Shell Shop and Huxter's.

For someone who has lived so long, Clarence Rutland doesn't look his years, and as the picture shows, Uncle Clarence is as kind and sharp as ever.



Paul Stahlin receives award

Captiva resident Paul Stahlin was the recipient of the 1978 Bill Carleton Award for the outstanding contribution to beach preservation in Florida presented by the Florida Shore and Beach Preservation Association (FSBPA). Stahlin is a former two-term president of the FSBPA and was a long-time agent for the Captiva Erosion

Prevention District. He is credited with being a pioneer in beach preservation in Florida. Stahlin put up \$5000 of his own money in the early fifties to establish Beach Aid, Inc. which is thought to be one of the state's first beach preservation organizations. Beach Aid, Inc. was one of the original founding groups of the FSBPA.



March is birthday month on Sanibel. Anne Hill, popular mixicologist at the Coconut Grove, was feted with flowers for her special day last week.

Captran appointment

Captran, Inc., the Sanibel based interval ownership company has named Donald P. Belyea as General Sales Manager. Captran President Keith W. Trowbridge announced the appointment at his organization's sales meeting in March.

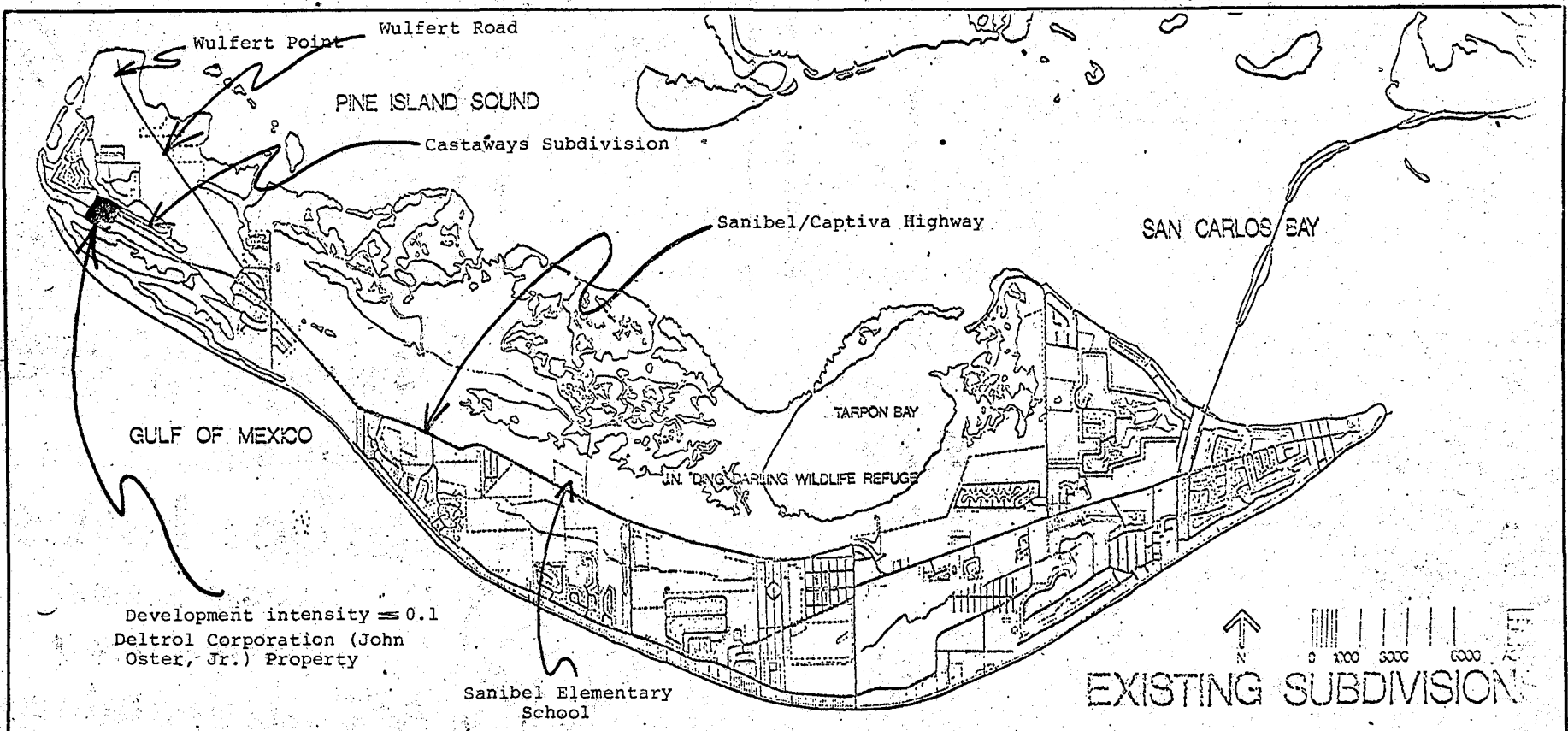
Belyea has been with Captran since July '78, first as Assistant Sales Manager at Lighthouse Resort & Club on Sanibel and at Kahlua Beach Club on Estero Island. More recently he was Sales Manager of the Seagull Resort on Cocoa Beach.



The Power Squadron held their annual Changing of the Watch at South Seas Plantation last weekend.

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The City of Sanibel proposes to regulate the use of land within the area shown in the map in this advertisement as submitted by Deltrol Corporation by John Oster, Jr. The proposal as submitted will amend Ordinance No. 76-21, The Comprehensive Land Use Plan, Section 3.3.1: Residential Densities and 3.2.2: Development Intensity Map, to provide for development of twenty two (22) single family building lots on a 27.15 acre parcel of land located in government Lot 6, Section 11, Township 46 South, Range 21

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A public hearing on the proposal will be held on Tuesday, April 3, 1979, at 5:15 P.M., at MacKenzie Hall, 2245 Palm Ridge Road, Sanibel, Florida.

All interested persons are invited to attend the hearing.

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Deputy City Clerk

ABWA raffle and sale Sunday

April first is creeping up on us. Next Sunday, to be exact. How could it be so soon?

Months ago, the newly formed Sanibel-Captiva Chapter of the American Business Women's Association (ABWA) started planning for their one annual fund raising project, a Raffle and Flea Market Sale to raise money to enable this organization to offer educational scholarships to young and older members of the community.

Each worthy cause that is generously supported by local merchants and civic-minded citizens of Sanibel and Captiva is of great importance. This newest endeavor is important because it is the first time that such scholarships have been offered, plus the fact that everyone has a chance to win some of the valuable prizes offered in return for donations in the form of raffle tickets. Some lucky people always win, many lose, but "if at first you don't succeed ... try and try again" is the ever hopeful motto when raffle tickets are purchased.

The list of 66 prizes that will be on hand is an impressive one. You can win one or many of them and do not need to be present when the drawing takes place at 4 p.m. on Sunday at the Community Center. To name a few of the contributors: Idle Hours, Island Gifts, Tiffany Parlor, Art Fac, Shirley Allen's, Valhalla, Dotti's, The Black Pearl, Three Crafty Ladies, Island Apothecary, Bette's Bounty, She-Sells Sea Shells, Cinderella Services, etc. etc. Included are many Gift Certificates and a great variety of beautiful items.

The list of individuals participating in the sale along with the shop keepers is a long one, too. The 23 tables engaged

will be loaded with all kinds of ornamental and useful goodies, including the kind you can eat. One 24 ft. table space, under the management of Charlotte Heimann, will offer donated gifts of paperback books, records, miscellaneous Knick-Knacks and other items that can so often prove to be really worth-while bargains. The proceeds from merchandise sold from this table will go directly to the ABWA Scholarship Fund.


No April foolin' - this will be an event well worth attending. It's a good idea to buy your raffle tickets early, but they will be on sale at the Community Center from 12 noon when the doors open until 5 p.m.

Please call Margaret Thorson, Chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, at the Black Pearl 472-1715, or Charlotte Heimann, Chairman of the Education Committee, 472-4260 for information in regard to pick-ups or where to leave your donations for the so-called White Elephant Table.

Volunteers for hostessing, etc. are always welcome. Call Betty Puff, Vicepresident of ABWA, at 472-2946 if you have some time to spare and feel like lending a helping hand on Sunday. Who knows - some member of your own family may be able to benefit from at least a partial scholarship. Education comes high these days.



A small preview of some of the prizes being raffled off: Bisque sail fish from Sea and Sky, Necklace and earrings from the Black Pearl, hand-made Norwegian ski sweater from Idle Hours, and a Ektasound 230 movie camera from Photo Sanibel.

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WHAT?

The 38th annual meeting of the members of the Lee County Electric Cooperative, Inc.

WHY?

To vote for trustees, to hear a report on the progress your co-op has made in the past year, to learn about plans for the future — and to have a chance to win one of more than 200 valuable prizes. (Two lucky couples will get free vacations at South Seas Plantation, Captiva.)

WHEN?

Saturday, March 31. Registration opens at 8 a.m., the meeting begins at 10 a.m.

WHERE?

The new Lee County Arena, intersection of State Roads 78 and 31, North Fort Myers. There's room for all, so bring the family. (Only one member from each family may vote.)

1979 marks the 100th anniversary of Thomas Edison's invention of the incandescent lamp.



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Dunes vs. Lehigh
"A" Team results
March 21, 1979

SINGLES

Pam Thompson (Dunes)
defeated J. Karbow, 6-2, 6-1.

**No. 1 DOUBLES**

Lou Anne Parker and
June Muench (Dunes)
defeated
R. Bagans and D. Carrington
7-6, 6-1

No. 2 DOUBLES

Maggie Greenburg and
Cando Mather (Dunes)
defeated
J. Machiz and M. Morgan
6-0, 6-4

No. 3 DOUBLES

Pam Pfahler and Marge Peck (Dunes)
Won by forfeit

The Dunes "A" Team has one more match this season.

"B" TEAM

The Dunes vs. Park Meadow

No. 1 DOUBLES

Marge Peck and
Glessie Creagh (Dunes)
defeated
S. Weisinger and B. Fish
6-4, 6-2

No. 2 DOUBLES

Nancy Winson and
Renee Wadkpvsky (Dunes)
defeated
K. Boardman and F. Blackburn
6-0, 6-4

No. 3 DOUBLES

Pat Grinnell and
Priscilla Meeker (Dunes)
lost to

No. 4 DOUBLES

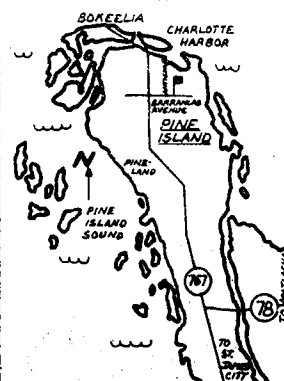
Dolly Ireland and
Ginny Bissell (Dunes)
defeated

T. Langhorne and B. R. Markham
1-6, 6-1, 6-4

C. Soll and B. Collins
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Sanibel, FmHA sign mortgage commitment

A ceremony aboard the S.S. Algiers Thursday morning marked the finale too months of planning and effort as the Farmers Home Administration (FmHA) officially signed their loan commitment to the City of Sanibel that will enable the City to purchase the 30-acre Gulf-front property and about 28 acres of land on the Causeway Road.

FmHA State Director Michael Hightower, who officiated at the ceremony along with Sanibel's Mayor Duane White, told the small group gathered for the occasion that the loan was one of the most unique in the history of the State of Florida. He praised Sanibel officials for their long-range planning effort and said that it was imperative for other small communities to do the same.

Hightower also said that under a new program initiated last week, the Farmer's Home Administration is going to give small communities - which there are more than 300 in Florida - priority when they determine their resources. "We will sit down with planning commissions and city councils and prioritize the community's needs. The FmHA is reorganizing into 10 districts that will be coincidental with the Planning Council's Districts," Hightower said.

Housing for the young and those with fixed incomes, sewer and water were three areas where he said small communities might be able to tap the FmHA resources. "It's a very gutsy approach. If the cooperation we get with other small towns is even half as good as it was on Sanibel, we have no doubt that this part of Florida will do well (under the new program), Hightower stated.

He concluded by saying that Sanibel should be very proud of its government and wished the city "a great deal of success."

State director Hightower signs agreement for Farmers Home Administration (FmHA) on the steamboat while Sanibel mayor Duane White and FmHA District director Frank Duval look on.



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| 5. Dinner & a drink for two | Coconut Grove | 39. Flight Bag | Maureen Smitt (Orloff Travel) |
| 6. Oil change, lube and filter | Island Exxon | 40. Plant | Tuesday's Child |
| 7. Wyler Wrist Watch | Friday's Creative Jewelry | 41. Mirror | Thetan Crafts |
| 8. Print "Seahorse Roundup" | The Schoolhouse Gallery | 42. Stoneware Mixing Bowl | Mark Heimann (The Wheel) |
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| 34. Oil change, lube and filter | Island Garage | | |

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