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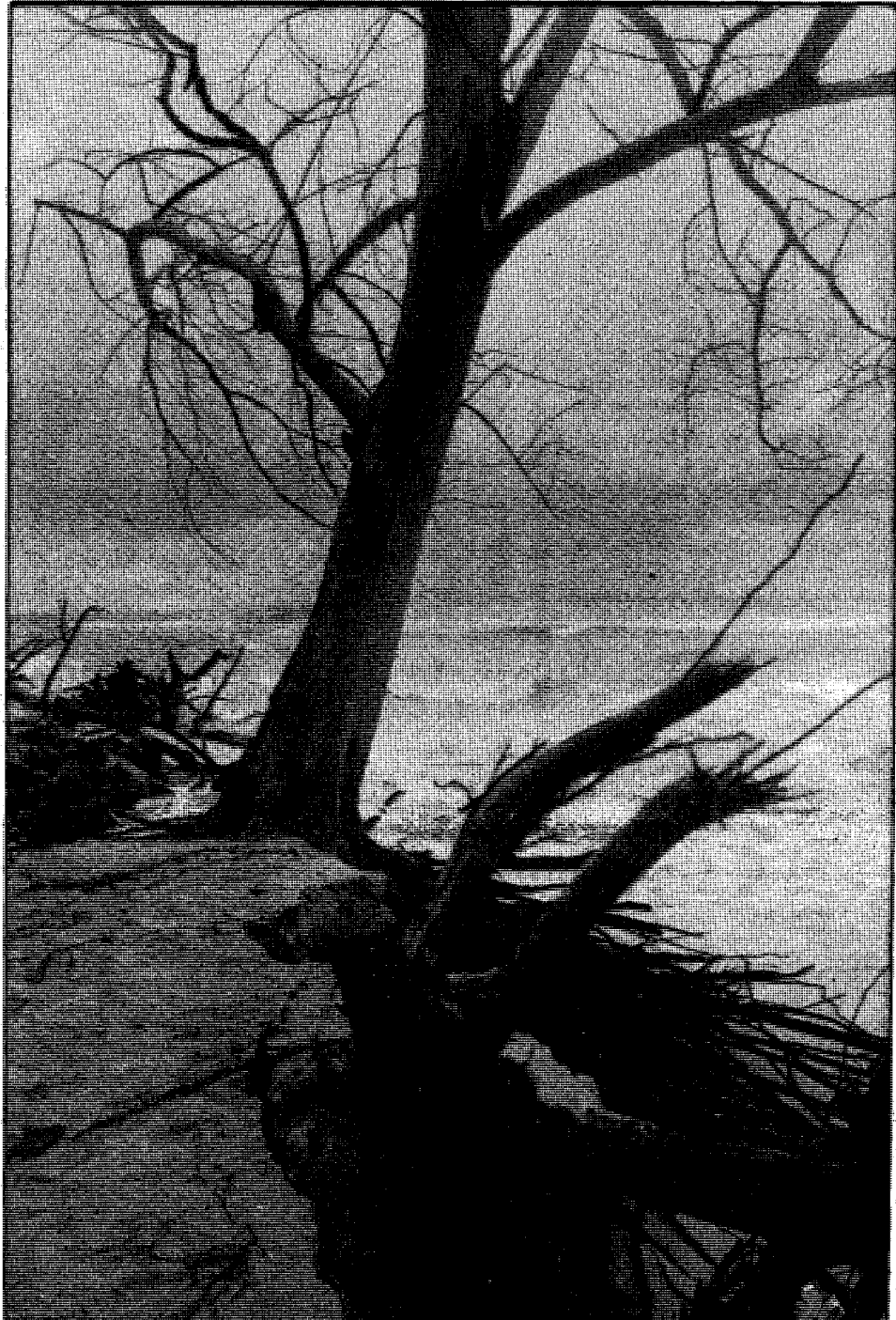


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Florida's coastlines represent the hopes of future generations for a guarantee of a place in the sun — and may represent the hope of a presidential candidate to retain his.

See stories, pages 12 and 13.

planners recommend restricted zoning for Goode's property

by gwen stevenson

Tempers fairly bristled at yesterday's Planning Commission meeting when attorney William Haverfield, representing John Goode, accused the Sanibel Planning Department staff of refusing to accept a court mandate to rezone John Goode's Periwinkle Way property to full commercial.

Goode's property, which is located on the south side of Periwinkle Way adjacent to Jim's Shell Shop, was down-zoned from commercial to residential when the land use plan was adopted. After several unsuccessful attempts at arbitration, Goode sued the City and prevailed in both the Circuit and Appellate Courts. The City has been mandated to return the property to commercial zoning.

Yesterday's hearing was to decide whether Goode should be granted full commercial zoning or restricted commercial zoning. It is the Planning staff's opinion that the exact nature of the zoning is up to the City.

Haverfield argued that, according to the court's decision, the property should be returned to its 1976 zoning which was full commercial. He accused the staff of not accepting the court's decision, pointing out that the analysis of the property in the staff report was the same as the testimony Planning Director Bruce Rogers gave on the stand. "The staff decided to be as restrictive as possible because John Goode took them to court," Haverfield stated.

The Planning staff recommended that Goode's property be reclassified Restricted Commercial, although they had urged him to wait for the results of the study currently underway of all commercial property on Sanibel. Even though Goode requested an immediate decision, the Planning staff report states that, when the study is completed, "a reclassification of Mr. Goode's property may still be possible."

The Staff based their recommendations on the fact that the Restricted Commercial zoning would be more compatible with the surrounding area. The Staff pointed out that the average building size in the area is 2300 square feet and nearly half have dwelling units assigned to them. "A full commercial designation would result in a building at least twice the size of the average commercial building in the area...while a restricted commercial designation would result in several buildings similar in size to those already existing," the report said.

The Planning Staff also contended that traffic on

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council passes dual taxation resolution

The Sanibel City Council held a special meeting last Thursday to consider a dual taxation resolution. The resolution is designed to identify county programs that offer little or no benefit to Sanibel residents but which are funded from county revenues. County revenues are required to be expended on a county-wide basis.

The resolution was also designed to petition the County Commissioners to develop an "appropriate mechanism" to find other methods of financing the activities that don't benefit the city or to reimburse the City for those programs.

The resolution earmarked for alternate funding parks and recreation (neighbourhood facilities), the sheriff's office, environmental protection, communications, road assessment administration, transportation engineering and drainage and water control.

The Council is petitioning the Commissioners to develop a method for either financing those activities differently or reimbursing the City for the 1979-80 fiscal year.

The resolution passed unanimously, with Butler and LeBuff absent.

DER officials object to proposed dredging for beach renourishment project

Environmental specialists with the Department of Environmental Regulations (DER) have recommended against issuing a permit to dredge sand in Redfish Pass for a beach renourishment program. South Seas Plantation has applied for the permit to dredge sand from a borrow site in Redfish Pass to use in a massive beach renourishment program along a mile and seven-tenths Gulf frontage. (See related stories on pages 12 and 13.)

DER officials Kevin Erwin and Dan Garlick each assessed the area independently and both recommended that the permit be denied because the area is biologically productive.

According to DER District Manager Phil Edwards, the biologists' assessments are the first in a series of steps necessary to obtain a permit. "Now we send their reports to

Tallahassee where they will be reviewed by the Standard Dredge and Fill Section," Edwards said, "and they will be critiqued by other biologists."

Before any permit is issued, Edwards said he is required by law to issue a letter of intent, whether he intends to issue or deny the permit. At that time, Edwards explained, anyone interested in the proceedings may request a hearing from an officer in the Administrative Hearings Division. Edwards said that he is confident there will be a hearing in this case.

Tetra Tech Senior Engineer Erik Olsen, who is South Seas contractor for the project, said that because they don't plan to penetrate the site very deeply, the "environmental impact will be minimal." Edwards said that was Olsen's opinion but he admitted that the borrow site proposed by South Seas was "not as deep as many in the state."

DER approves South Seas boat basin access channel

A request by South Seas Plantation for a permit to dredge a short access channel to their small boat basin located at the southern edge of the Plantation was approved Friday by the Department of Environmental Regulations.

A final approval from the Army Corps of Engineers is still required before South Seas can begin work on the channel. Permit requests for the channel began over two years ago.

Army Corps District Engineer Col. James W.R. Adams said that, because of prior business priorities, he will not be able to make a final decision on the permit request until the week of October 15.

public meeting on proposed yacht club garners negative response

by pat harmel

The issue of whether or not Sanibel residents need a private yacht basin vied with the probable environmental impact of such a project last week as Islanders met with developers and environmental experts attempting to find a common ground.

Sam Bailey, a long time Sanibel resident now living in Tampa, and Dick Taylor from Cleveland, Ohio attempted to sell the audience of about 50 on the idea of a yacht club (already named the Sanibel Bay Yacht Club) that would eventually house 200 boats and be built on San Carlos Bay at the old Bailey Store site near the Causeway entrance. Plans also include a social club, ramp, dock and boat basin.

Representatives from the Florida Environmental Regulations Office, the Environmental Protection Agency, and the Army Corps of Engineers were on hand to hear residents' concerns but could do little else since they had not seen any data or engineering plans for the basin proposal.

Audience concern focused on issues of erosion, water quality, pollutants, and effects on fish and wildlife in the area already somewhat altered due to the construction of the Causeway. Bailey contended "We won't disturb anything we don't have to," and said he intended as little dredging as possible. Steve Rose of the Army Corps of Engineers told the audience he was sure there would be some impact but it would be impossible to guess how much until plans were submitted for study. Projected plans, according to Bailey, called for 500 feet of surface to be covered.

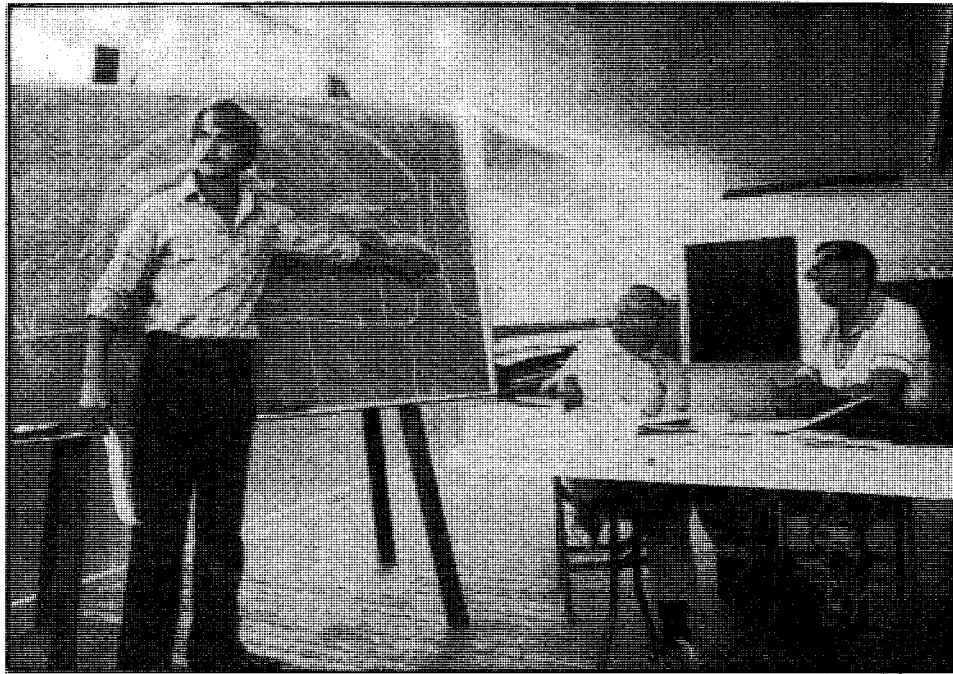


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Sanibel resident Mike Dormer suggests a smaller development as yacht basin promoters Dick Taylor and Sam Bailey look on

Sanibel resident Mike Dormer pointed out the potential for adverse effects on bayfront erosion, and water quality (due to oil spillage, bilge pumping, gasoline spillage, dumping sanitary facilities, and the accumulated residues of pier activity for 200 boats.) Dormer suggested the possibility of a smaller design for the project, "a piling dock built within the Causeway blockage situation that already exists."

The initial majority audience reaction to the yacht club proposal was negative but Bailey repeatedly reassured everyone that he was open to suggestion. Environmental experts offered assurance that at the present time they didn't even recognize a proposed application and that they were only present to hear audience concerns.

Tentative plans for another public hearing on the matter was scheduled for December.

Chamber to underwrite city anniversary

The Sanibel-Captiva Chamber of Commerce has agreed to underwrite two of the events planned to celebrate the City of Sanibel's fifth anniversary next month.

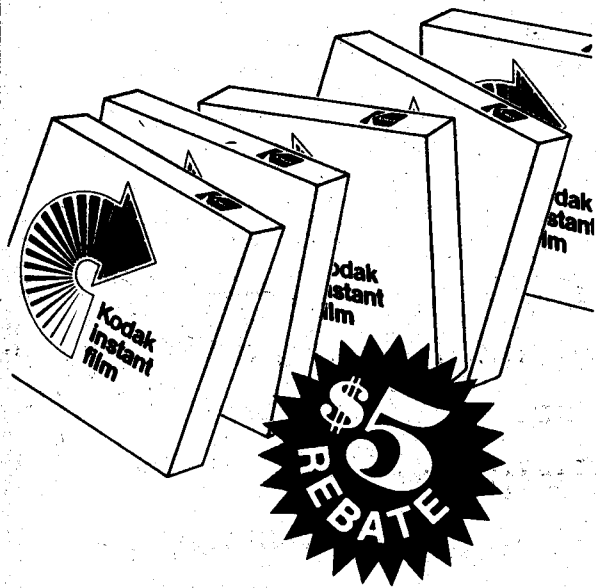
Urban Palmer, General Chairman of the City's Anniversary Celebration, presented his plans to a special meeting of the Chamber Board of Directors two weeks ago. The Board decided to underwrite the possible financial shortfall of two of the events, the family picnic and the parade, up to \$1,000.

According to Chamber president Fred Valtin, the Chamber felt that the third activity planned for the event, a dinner-dance at Sundial, should either generate enough interest to carry itself or it shouldn't be held.

The group also decided to hold the events on Saturday, November 3 instead of Sunday, November 4 as originally planned. "Those of us who were here in 1976, including myself, found that we had to get in line for the parade about 9 a.m.," Valtin explained. "We were afraid that if we held the parade on Sunday, it would cut into church time and some of the participants might not be able to get here for it. It also gives us a rains date in case of bad weather," Valtin added.

Plans are to have the parade lead into the Dunes where the family-style picnic will be held. It was also decided at Tuesday's meeting that about 10 people from the various Island service organizations would provide enough of a labor force so that there would be no need for a caterer. Without the caterer, the Chamber feels the picnic stands a good chance of carrying itself, even feeding members of the Sheriff's posse and the 220-member Cypress Lake band who have been invited to participate.

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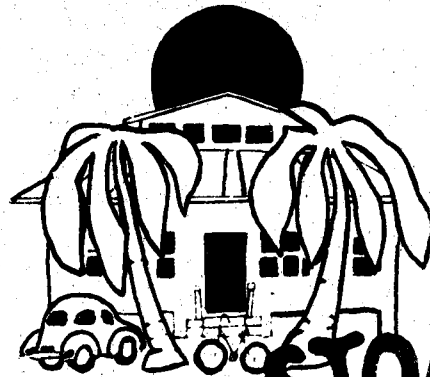
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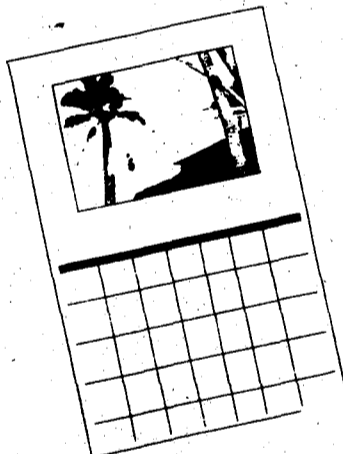
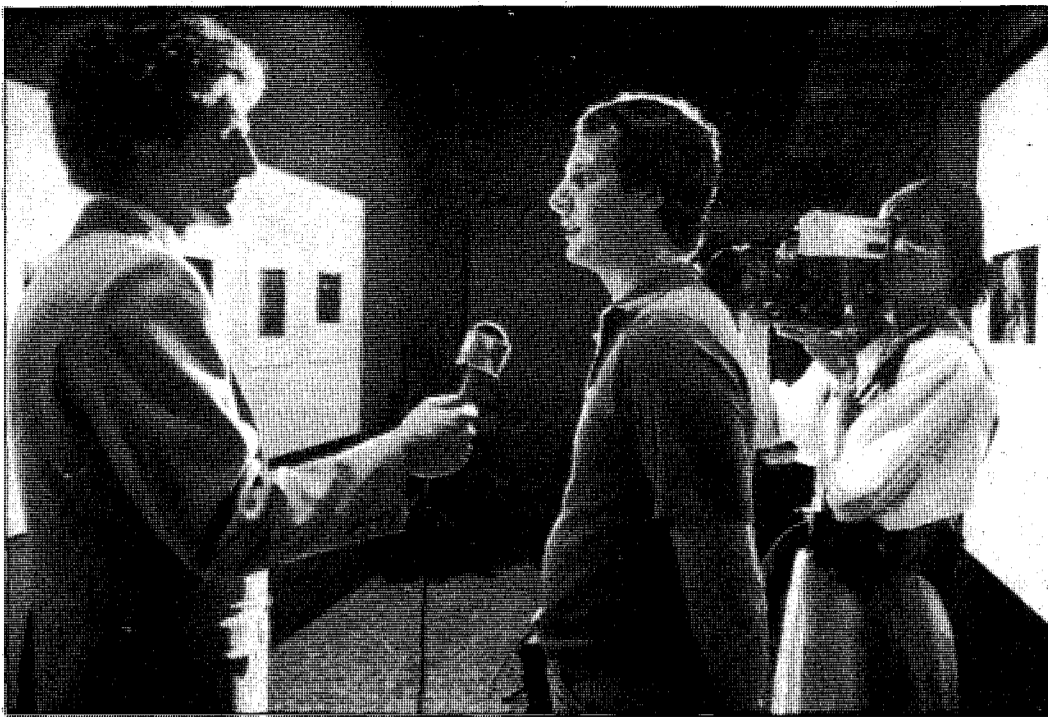
Katzman exhibit opens Gallery season

by mark harmel

A one-man show by Sarasota photographer Steven Katzman opened the second season of The Photographer's Gallery on Sunday. The exhibit of social documents and social landscapes consists of 24 black and white prints taken for the most part in Nebraska and Florida.

Katzman, who established a photography gallery called Image of Sarasota two years ago, will return to Sanibel on October 20, to conduct a workshop on presenting, preserving and collecting photographic prints.

The Katzman show will run through November 3. The Photographer's Gallery is open from 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. Additional evening hours are 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday.



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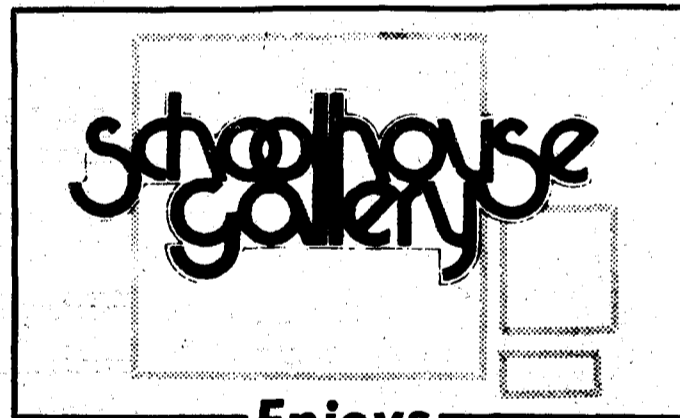
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This letter is a follow-through to that past suggestion and is written to request reconsideration of your decision regarding a second occupational license to be paid by my company to do business. Hopefully, some additional thought and some input from your city attorney will reverse your decision.

I have consulted my attorney, and he agrees that on the absolute face of the language of the ordinance that the function of "real estate management" is covered within the real estate broker and agent license I already have. A condominium is real estate, and I manage four of them. To have to pay an additional fee to cover the same function under a different name, i.e., property management, is just not right.

Your review of this matter would be appreciated once again. If this request is still without merit as suggested by Tuesday's 5 to 0 vote, please let me know by phone or letter so I can determine whether to comply with your ruling or seek outside review.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Robert F. Buntrock

President, Executive Services, Inc.

To the Editor:

Carter is interested in a tight budget and wants to reduce Social Services in the case of the aged. He has proposed to maintain the 1978 expenditure for Seniors in spite of the increased cost of living. He has asked for cuts which will be eased into our 1979 to 1983 Social Security benefits-which we paid for.

He is going to give 7.1 billion dollars in foreign aid. Meanwhile, the U.S. is owed approximately \$73 billion dollars by foreign nations.

These loans, if paid, would pay for most of the social welfare programs in this country. The U.S. Treasury is reluctant to collect.

Why, Mr. Carter?

Bill Von Eiff

Sanibel



Services tonight for Cookie Dugger

Memorial services will be held tonight at the Sanibel Community Church at 8 p.m. for Iva Lee (Cookie) Dugger who died Sunday morning at Lee Community Hospital. She was 61.

She is survived by her husband, Robert Dugger, and her mother, Minnie Cook, both of Sanibel.

Cookie Dugger had been a Sanibel

resident since 1971 and was a former ballerina with the St. Louis Municipal Opera Company. She also taught ceramic and china painting. She and her husband owned Duggers Tropical Village on West Gulf Drive and Ceramics by Duggers. The Village was sold earlier this year.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Sanibel Community Church.

Services for Pheobe Haynie scheduled Oct. 15

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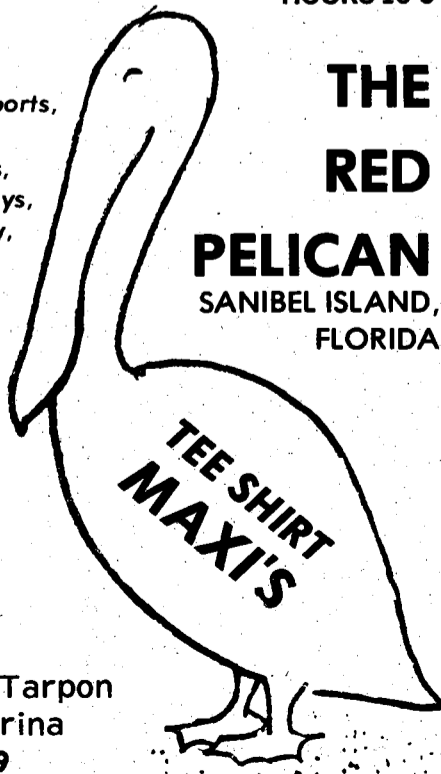
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Stiles appointed by Cancer Society

Charles B. Stiles of Fort Myers was elected First Vice President of the Florida Division of the American Cancer Society at the Society's Annual Meeting of Members in Fort Lauderdale on Sunday, September 30.

Stiles attended Florida Southern College and the University of Nebraska. He is currently Vice President of Marketing at First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Fort Myers.

Stiles has been an active volunteer with the American Cancer Society since 1971. He has served the Society's Lee County Unit as: President; Crusade Co-Chairman; member of the Board of Directors; Service and Rehabilitation Chairman; Unit Development Chairman; and Public Information Chairman.

On the state level, he has served as Division of Public Education Chairman and as a member of the Board of Directors and Executive Committee.

Captran appointments

Captran, Inc., the Sanibel-based interval ownership resort company, has announced the appointment of Alan Stafford as the firm's new assistant marketing director. Betsy Mallett-Murin will take over the duties of marketing production supervisor. Captran also announced the appointment of Robert E. Adams as Vice President of Captran Credit Corporation. Adams was previously a vice president and senior loan officer at First Commercial Bank in Fort Myers.

building permits

Building permits totaling \$143,751 were issued last week as follows:

Richard Derowitsch for a house on West Gulf Drive in the Terrace Ridge subdivision. By David Herzog for \$70,194.

M. Loumir Moe for a driveway at 1754 Windward Way. By Sal Bruno for \$1,052.

Jean Paul Cavanie to remodel a restaurant at 708 Tarpon Bay Road. By owner for \$500.

Sundial for parking of trailer rig. By Semmer Electric for \$15.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Ring for a single family dwelling in Sanibel Bayous. By Greg Weglarz for \$38,100.

Mrs. Ruth J. Bowen for a single family dwelling in Seaside Subdivision by Greg Weglarz for \$33,890.

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In launching the 12 month program, Mann and Jim Shvler, Chairman of the Florida Chamber of Commerce Energy Committee, urged all Floridians to involve themselves in helping to find solutions to the nation's energy crisis by providing state legislators and businessmen with their ideas and suggestions for legislation, conservation, new energy development and other energy ideas.

"We are particularly interested in in-

novative and practical ideas that any homeowner or business can easily implement to save energy," Mann said. "Each person that sends an idea to the Energy Savings Pipeline will receive a certificate of appreciation and the best idea each month will receive a savings bond provided by the Chamber."

ESP, or Energy Savings Pipeline, represents a joint effort between the state and private business to promote energy conservation and energy alternatives. "We need to go directly to the people for their ideas," Mann said, "and this is one way to encourage public participation."

Mann said that since the formation of the House Select Committee on Energy, his own office has been deluged with letters from Floridians all around the state with energy saving ideas and devices. "We've had some really good suggestions for saving energy in these letters, as well as some pretty exotic ideas also. We'll be forwarding all the ones we've already received to the ESP Committee for consideration, along with the newer entries," Mann said.

Submit your ideas and suggestions, along with a drawing or other material if necessary, to ESP, Box 5497, Tallahassee, Florida 32301.

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Municipal records

occupation license disputes dominate morning meeting

Executive Services Inc. (ESI) President Bob Buntrock and City Council members were in heated disagreement last week over whether Buntrock is obligated to purchase an additional Occupational License from the City of Sanibel. Buntrock currently holds an Occupational License as a real estate broker but the City is contending that because he manages four condominiums on Sanibel, he also requires one as a property manager.

Buntrock defended his management practices on the grounds that they were an integral part of his real estate operation. ESI has 350 apartment units on the Island for which they handle the rentals. The City's Code Inspection officer, Dick Baker, had contended that Buntrock should also purchase a third license as a special contractor because he performed maintenance services for his units from time to time, but Council decided against that.

They believed Buntrock's claim that his staff only performs maintenance functions when a sub-contractor fails to complete a task or is unavailable.

Baker told the council that about 30 people on the Island purchased multiple licenses, citing Bluebill Properties and Keith Trowbridge as examples.

Buntrock told the Council that he only performed multiple services for his clients and that he did whatever he felt was necessary to assure the successful rental or sale of a property. He told the Council one of his employees had recently painted a kitchen for a house he listed when he couldn't get a painter in time for a showing. "It's because of these things that ESI is successful," Buntrock exclaimed. "I'm not willing to lay back."

Buntrock also took exception to the phrasing of a letter sent to him by Baker last May in which Baker reminded him of the \$500 and-or 60 days in jail penalty for failure to comply with the City's Occupational License Ordinance. Buntrock told the Council that Councilman

Goss had said originally that the penalty clause was "just a boilerplate" but that, in his opinion, it had ceased to be a boilerplate when he received his letter from Baker. Baker told the Council that he was simply reiterating what the Ordinance called for in the way of penalties for noncompliance.

Buntrock said after the meeting that he had consulted with his attorney who felt that the Ordinance on its face included real estate management in his Occupational License category.

Sanibel resident Hal Austin also appeared before the Council to appeal an occupational license classification. Austin, who says he produces about 1000 postcards a year, some sun hats and placemats, was protesting the City's \$300 levy for a business he says he operates from "a shelf in my wife's closet." He explained that, because there was difficulty in deciding what classification he should fall into, he was designated a "wholesale distributor."

"I'm appealing getting out of a \$300 classification for a \$900 business," Austin explained, adding that, while he did not object to paying a fee, he felt that the "\$300 was unfair when the bank only has to pay \$400." Austin argued that according to a "dictionary definition, wholesale means large volume."

Councilman Porter Goss agreed with Austin, telling him that there was a great degree of reason in his contention. "We got into discussions about home occupations in the plan and made provisions for it and we also thought about it in this

Ordinance." Goss moved that Austin be granted a license to produce postcards, placemats and hats for \$25, subject to an annual review. The motion passed unanimously.

Council member Zee Butler told Austin that other Islanders paid the \$300 wholesaler's fee and that the volume of business did not affect the classification. Austin suggested that people who run businesses from their homes might be put into a separate category. Austin thought that a reasonable fee might bring other people with small home industries into the open.

The Council decided to charge Joseph Constanza, who operates a retail jewelry shop and jewelry consulting business, \$150 for his Occupational License.

Free-lance photographer Emil Fray lost his argument with the Council that photography was an art form, "just like pottery or weaving," and that he, therefore, fell under the artists' \$15 classification. Fray admitted that he received income from his photography, but, he said, so do potters and weavers.

Fray said that the majority of his time is spent "getting the Photographer's Gallery off the ground," for which he receives no salary. In response to a question by Councilman Goss, Fray said about 60 percent of his work was art and about 40 percent was commercial.



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by gwen stevenson

Council to request engineering study from Corps for Blind Pass

At the request of a group of Islanders, represented by John Wilcox and Paul Howe, the Sanibel City Council decided last Tuesday to request an engineering study on the Blind Pass area from the Army Corps of Engineers.

Wilcox told the Council that a group of people had met in his office in September to discuss the possibility of opening up Blind Pass. "The point," Wilcox said, "is that adequate tidal flushing is just not there. But we (the group) decided that we need prior engineering data before anything is done." Wilcox then requested that the City write Col. James W.R. Adams, District Engineer for the Corps, to request that they undertake such a study.

Although the request for the study was eventually passed unanimously, Councilman Francis Bailey told Wilcox that he "didn't want to see us tamper too much with nature. Nature decided to close it (the Pass) and nature will open it again when and if she is ready." Councilman Charles LeBuff agreed with the study but added that he went along with Bailey's opinion.

Councilman Porter Goss told Wilcox that the City had been in the process of putting together a grant package for over a year. Goss said that since the Blind Pass problem was one of coastal zone management, he felt the State might be responsive to contributing toward a solution.

Sanibel Mayor Duane White said that he would be agreeable to soliciting the help of the Corps for a preliminary engineering study.

Council to begin negotiations with county for Causeway

The Sanibel City Council last week decided unanimously to begin negotiations with the County for the possible purchase of the Sanibel Causeway.

Council member Zee Butler recommended that Porter Goss represent the Council on the negotiating team which will be composed of members from both the City and County. Sanibel Mayor Duane White said that he had also asked Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation Chairman Ed Underhill and Mariner Properties President Allen Ten Broek if they would be willing to serve on the team.

A final decision on the team members won't be made until the next Council meeting on October 16.

Mrs. Butler pointed out to the Council that a final purchase of the Causeway, should negotiations prove successful, would not cost the Sanibel taxpayers any money. "It would be a refinancing of the Causeway, using the asset as a revenue producer," she stated.

White also said that he would call for an outside appraisal and an independent engineering study of the bridges and islands before finalizing a purchase.

Sanibel officials plan trip to Mobile

Sanibel employees and officials are still planning a trip to view the devastation of Hurricane David to Dauphin Island off the Coast of Mobile, Alabama. The tentative schedule is for planning and building officials to visit the stricken area later this week.

Councilman Porter Goss reported to the Council that he had spoken to Darmish Sharma who said that the damage was "incredible". According to Sharma, who viewed the site by air, officials are estimating that it will take two years to rebuild the island and there are plans to relocate some business off the island.



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Canada candidly

by lorraine ashford

Today I am writing an obituary. On September 25, with no warning to employees or customers, the presses of the Montreal Star were shut down and the paper closed its doors. There are 1100 employees out of work. Some of the reporters were out on assignment and knew nothing about the shutdown until they returned to Montreal.

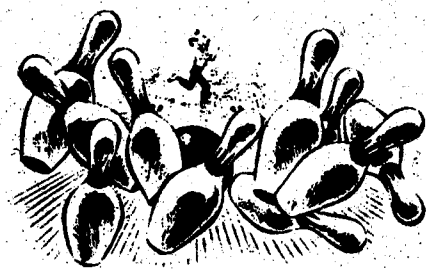
This daily evening paper had published for 111 years. A small union closed it down last year for an eight-month strike. The Montreal Gazette, a morning daily, picked up the slack and when the Star came back in in February, it never recovered. Some blame the exodus of the English out of the province and say the city can no longer sustain two large English language dailies. Others blame the long strike, poor management and high overhead.

Whenever a newspaper shuts down, the community is diminished. The freedom of

the press is threatened. With the Partic Quebecois referendum on the doorstep, we needed the Montreal Star. The Gazette, which supports the referendum, cannot play Devil's Advocate, but must be consistent in its editorial policies. Where, then, is the opposing voice?

Some of this country's best reporters and columnists are walking the streets today. No doubt, the Gazette will absorb the best of them and there is talk already of a reported Gazette offer to help another English paper get off the ground. Let's hope so.

I have only written about three letters to the editor in my life, but the last one I fired off to the Star appeared in what happened to be its last issue. Had I known the true state of affairs, I would have risen to the occasion by setting the Bible to rhyme. Better than that, I would have written a lament for a great newspaper—"Ode to a Fallen Star."



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Standings	W	L
1. Century 21	10	2
2. Captiva Island Realty	9	3
3. Heirs Construction	8	4
4. Loggerheads	7	5
5. Ron's Trailer Supply	7	5
6. The Housekeeping Co.	6	6
7. Crown Plumbing	5	7
8. Casa del Mama	3	9
9. The Open Gate	3	9
10. The Mucky Duck	2	10

THE ODD COUPLES

Standings	W	L
1. Alley Cats	17	3
2. Mole Holers	15	5
3. Turkeys	14	6
4. C.B.'s	12	8
5. FUBAR	11	9
6. Odd Balls	9	11
7. High Hopes	9	11
8. The Aces	8	12
9. The Nurds	8	12
10. Alley Oops	7	13
11. Dee's 104	6	14
12. Guy's and Dolls	4	16

High Game
Jeannette Case - 232
Bea Blank - 198

High Game
Tom Clifford - 273
Debbie Hughes - 251

High Series
Jeannette Case - 579
Lois Pendered - 499

High Series
Tom Clifford - 663
Marsha Clifford - 694

High Game of the Week
Charles Dutton - 235
Marsha Clifford - 246

Lions Club News

The regular meeting of the Sanibel-Captiva Lions Club was held October 3, at the Sanibel Community Building.

Lion Potts announced final plans for the Ladies' Night at the Naples Dinner Theater on October 24. Lions and guests will use their own transportation for the trip.

Lion Chapin announced that the Boy Scouts were having a "Smoked Mullet" sale on Saturday, October 6, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Bailey's Store parking lot.

Lion Urban Palmer discussed plans for a

large Sanibel Island celebration on November 3, in connection with the fifth anniversary of the incorporation of the city, that will include a parade featuring 43 floats and a sheriff's posse. The celebration will culminate in a dinner dance at the Sundial.

Lion Fritz Myers announced that the acoustical problems of the meeting room would be corrected soon.

The next meeting will be held on October 17, at 6:30 p.m. at the Sanibel Community Building.



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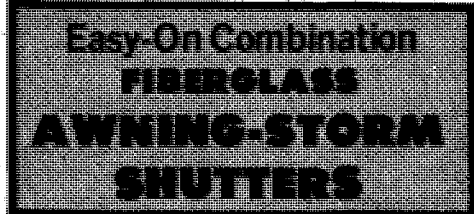
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shelling tips

by capt.
mike fuery



photo by mark harmel

The Venus family of clams offers some interesting and easy to find specimens, but the most prized find of all on our islands is the Sunray Venus.

Most shellers refer to them as "sunrays" and this time you really need to cover the sand flats or inside bay waters of the islands to locate any good samples of this shell.

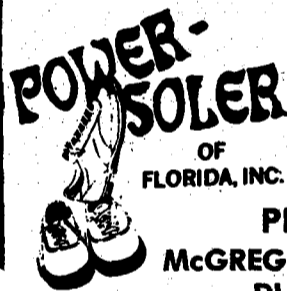
It's called a sunray because when you find a dead shell that is open, you can hold it up to the bright sun and see that there are rays which radiate out of the "heart" of the shell. It has a nearly stained glass window effect and is a very unusual sight.

While it's not unusual to find the sunray on the beaches, you'll often notice that this brownish shell has faded badly in the sun or while on the floor of the Gulf. What also comes to mind is that the sunray has a poor hinge system, and once battered with surf, the two halves of this bivalve come apart. So, many times, you'll find only the faded half of the shell and miss the real beauty of it.

Your best chance of finding a collector's sunray is to walk the sandy areas between patches of eel grass. The sunrays bury themselves there. You don't find too many live ones, but the large shells, such as big whelks and horse conches feed on the sunray and after they've captured it, they leave the perfectly cleaned shell for you.

The sunray is easy to spot, but expect to do some walking in the water to find one. Once you've located a colony, you can usually go back in a few days and get another dead shell. They can be cleaned easily, and once shined up, make a great display.

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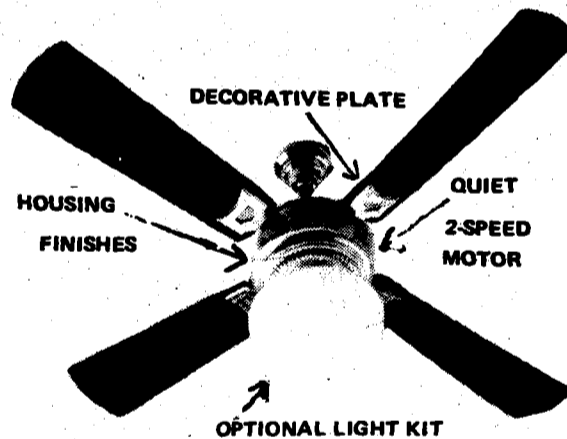
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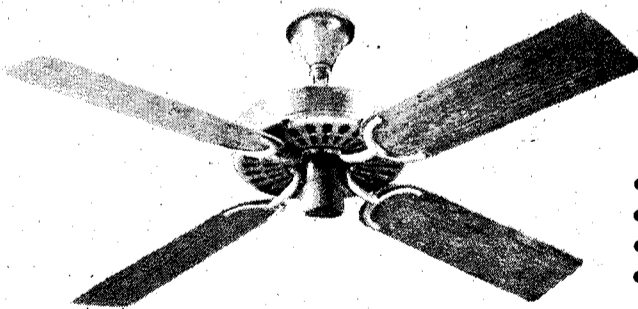
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on the water

by capt. mike fuery

If you've ever had the urge to do battle with large sharks without having to travel deep into the Gulf of Mexico to do it, now's your chance.

For the past week or so, there have been large schools of sharks roaming the Passes between our islands; they are here to feed. Imagine the surprise of drifting Redfish Pass for snook and having a six-foot black tip shark come bursting out of the water 50 feet from the boat! That's what's happening daily, not only at Redfish, but on the outside of Captiva and Boca Grande Passes as well.

This might be your best chance to fight one of these fish and get some big-game fishing experience at the same time.

Why the sharks are suddenly schooling is a mystery, but there are many, many schools of bait fish near shore. Certainly, the sharks are following these. We who fish for a living are hoping that mackerel and kingfish will follow those baitfish into shore and give us some of that fishing, too.

In addition to the sharks, there were many tarpon in Redfish Pass last week. A couple of the guides hooked up with these large silver fish while fishing for snook.

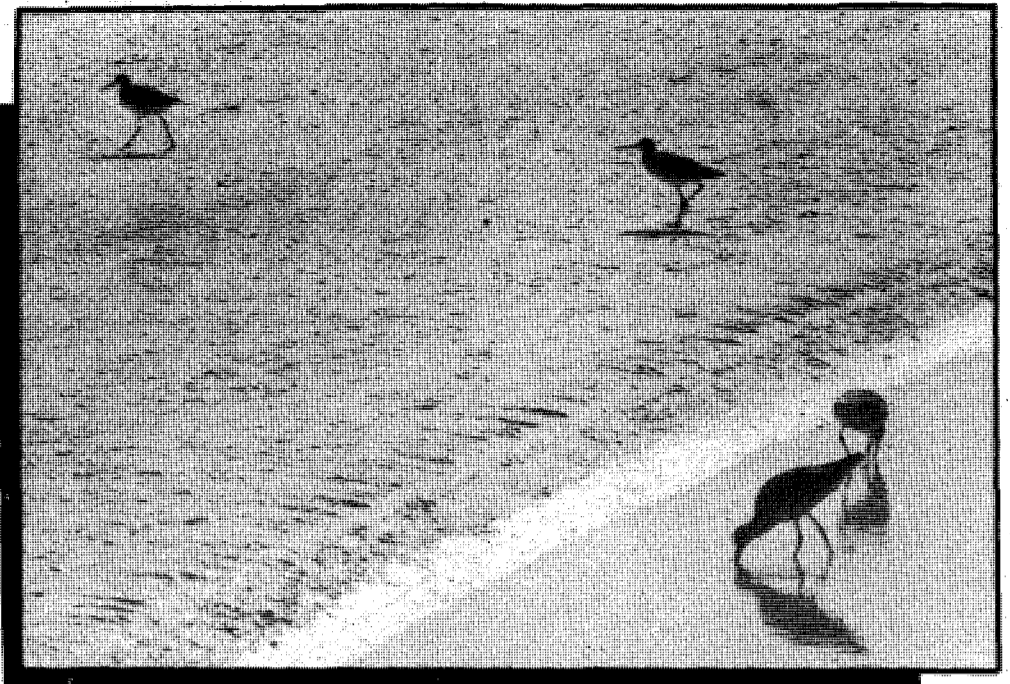
The tarpon run was a complete surprise, but short lived. The fish in the 100-pound class worked the outgoing tide just at daybreak. There were some smaller tarpon mixed in and did they work the bait schools! One interesting aspect of this was to see sharks and tarpon feeding next to each other.

I would expect that the sharks will be around the passes for the next couple of weeks, or until the first northern cold front passes down the state. This will drop the water temperatures, which usually signals the sharks that it's time to work on towards warmer waters.

There are two methods of fishing sharks in the passes which seem to get the best results. One is to drift your boat with enough sinker to keep the works on the bottom where these fish take their food.

The sharks in Redfish Pass have been striking pigfish and pinfish of the size used for snook—that's fairly small, so you don't need a quarter flank of cow for bait.

The other way to get sharks interested is to anchor up on the outside of the pass and put down a couple of lines with half a mullet, catfish or ladyfish. Of course, rough weather usually makes anchoring difficult. And to avoid problems with other boaters, don't anchor where they are drifting for snook or in the more dangerous middle section of the passes.



islander angling

by mark harmel

This may be a good week for catching that big fish you have been dreaming about. Both tarpon and sharks are rolling in the passes and a hammerhead shark just under eight feet was dragged in from the Gulf. For the angler who believes that small is beautiful, redfish are plentiful at the pier and throughout Ding Darling.

Eric Vartdal went out into the Gulf alone from Knapps Points looking for a big catch and was surprised when he actually did hook up with a 7'-10" hammerhead shark. The fish was so big Vartdal had to tie it along side the boat and drag it into shore.


For a shot at the big ones closer to home (see On the Water) try fishing in Redfish and the other passes for tarpon and sharks. While in the passes, according to

'Tween Waters Marina, you can look for jacks or try for trout on the grassflats of Buck Key. 'Tween Waters also suggests looking for redfish in the mangroves at the Sanctuary.

Tarpon Bay Marina reports good fishing for reds in the mangroves at MacIntyre Pt. and in Ladyfinger Lake. Trout fishing is steady along the flats of Tarpon Bay.

At the pier the Bait Box reports good catches of redfish along with some luck with snook and black drum. They also have seen catches of reds at the Causeway and in Tarpon Bay.

Sanibel Marina is still seeing catches of snook in the 10-14 pound range coming from the mouth of the Caloosahatchee and they also report good redfishing at the pier and in the Sanctuary.



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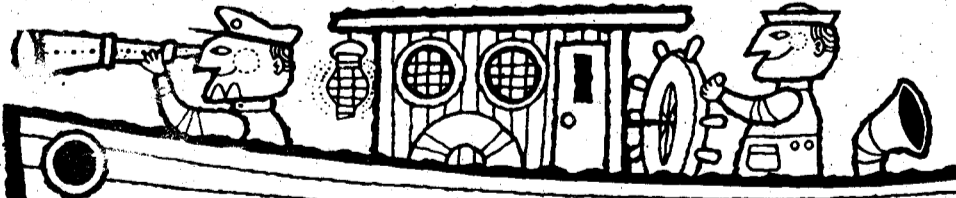
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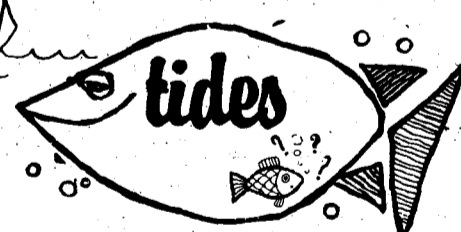


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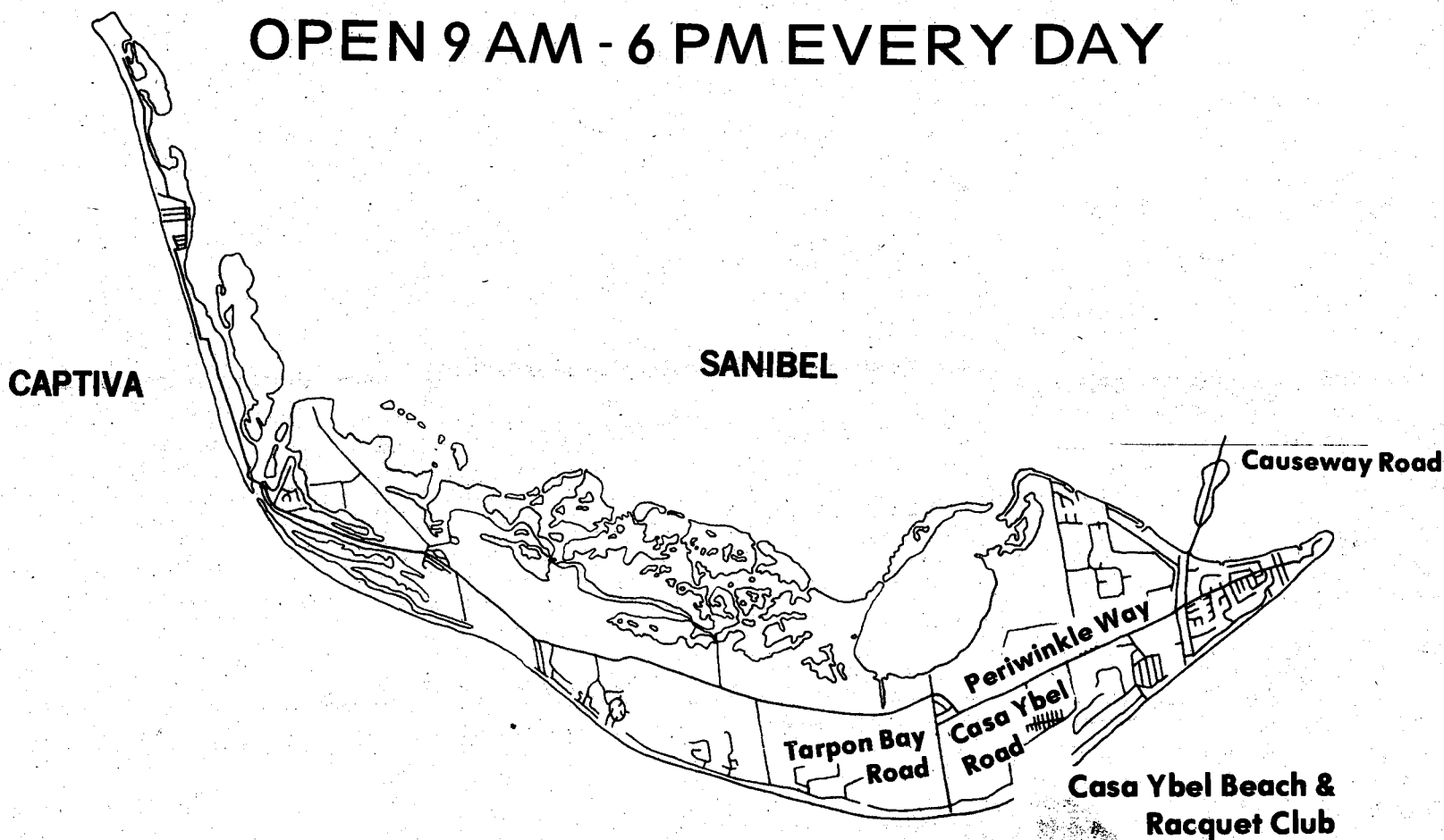
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Last week, in Pal Harbour, the Florida Shore and Beach Preservation Association (FSBPA) held their twenty-third meeting. The Association, founded in 1957, is designed to encourage the restoration and preservation of Florida's beaches.

Among the goals the Association attempts to achieve each year are public education, government education, promotion of beach erosion projects and an information clearinghouse.

Last week's meeting was attended by government officials from all levels, environmentalists and engineers. Attendees from this area were Sanibel Planning Department Planner Robin Smith, Paul Stahlin, one of the organization's founders, Mariner Properties President Allen Ten Broek, Captiva Erosion Prevention District Agent Dex Bender and Mariner Properties Project Manager Dick Steele.

Included in their list of accomplishments the FSBPA lists the fact that Florida has "the best and most comprehensive program of erosion control in the nation...some \$200 million in erosion control projects are planned or underway."

What a coastal property owner can do to protect his property

Tallahassee Environmental Attorney Robert Rhodes had some harsh words last week for coastal property owners and their legal rights in the State of Florida. Rhodes addressed the question of the rights of property owners in the state if a governmental authority decides to alter the property owners' zoning "in the public welfare".

Planning in the coastal areas is becoming increasingly restrictive and he warned property owners that they cannot rely on the zoning of the land they owned when it was purchased. Rhodes cited a recent Supreme Court decision involving the Penn Central station in New York. Penn Central had wanted to tear down the old station to construct a high-rise in its stead. The Court ruled that they could not do that but that they were, however, entitled to a "reasonable return" on their investment. Rhodes said that, based on that decision, coastal property may be severely downgraded as long as the owner retains some "beneficial use. But," Rhodes added, "there is no set formula where regulations stop and taking begins. The courts will continue to decide that in disparate ways."

One solution to problems that happen when local government begins their

planning process and rezones their coastal land is a pre-plan arbitration process, Rhodes said that Sanibel's consulting attorney Fred Bosselman is currently involved in that process in Broward County. "In coastal areas, where the County plans to change the zoning, they are meeting with property owners before finalizing the zoning in an attempt to avoid expensive litigation later," Rhodes said.

Rhodes did not hold out much hope legally for the property owner who wanted to challenge a ruling in court. "The trend in the law is toward more intense regulations. Understand that zoning is not enough to guarantee a future vested right. Just because you have the authority and don't start the development process, you may lose what you have." Rhodes pointed out in California, for example, in order to prove that you have vested rights in a piece of property in a zoning change, the property owner has to have a building permit and have begun construction.

Rhodes strongly urged that coastal property owners familiarize themselves with the law and take an active part in the planning process from the beginning to avoid unpleasant surprises when a coastal property management plan is adopted.

DER head recommends consolidation of permitting agencies

At his keynote address to the Florida Shore and Beach Preservation Association last week, the new and energetic head of the Department of Environmental Regulation (DER), Jacob (Jake) D. Varn said that he will do "everything within my power to bring together all the permitting departments, even if it means abolishing DER." Jake told the delegates that right now, "DER tells you to go south, Department of Natural Resources tells you to go west and someone else will tell you to go north. It's a mess."

Varn stopped short of promising one-stop permitting, however, labelling that "a dream." But the need for some sort of organization is necessary, he believes, "because right now people can jerk you 20 different ways."

Varn also promised that Florida's Coastal Zone Management Program would be completed by next fall's deadline. "We're at the end of the string," he said. "It is time to put up or shut up. We have enough regulatory programs to take care of the Coastal Zone Management Projects -- we just have to get our act together."

Varn also promised that his department would be more responsive than it has been in the past. "You may not like the answer you get, but you'll get one and as fast as possible," he said, which brought a spontaneous outburst of applause from the listening delegates with memories of seemingly interminable waiting periods in their minds.

The vagaries of national politics may well provide increased attention to one of the four resources that Islanders hold dear to their hearts -- our shorelines. With the Florida Democrats November 16, straw poll and this state's crucial 1980 primary, president watchers will be closely scrutinizing the president's chances of holding Florida as a measure of his strength to hold the nation.

And Carter, it appears, has decided that his strongest trump card in Florida is our concern with our coastlines.

In his August environmental speech, Carter declared that the coastlines are the key to the environment and that 1980 is the Year of the Coast. It is a reflection of the concern that many groups have shown, including the Audubon Society and the Nature Conservancy, and has led to the formation of an organization by that name.

One insider close to the Administration admitted privately last week that this is Carter's intention. Army Corps District Engineer Col. James W.R. Adams agreed with the statement, adding that his office had become increasingly popular with Administration staffers striving to

learn the ins and outs of Florida's coastline.

It is ironic, however, that Florida's own coastal zone management program, although a pioneer in the federal program that has seen \$100 million go to 35 states for coastal planning, has not been completed. The U.S. Director of the Coastal Zone Management Program told the Florida Shores and Beach Preservation Association meeting last week that Florida's program had gotten bogged down with "turf-fighting" amongst agencies. He warned that the federal money well would run dry in another 11 months, but expressed his hope that Florida would meet the deadline.

One strong indication of the Administration's increasing emphasis on the coast is a mandate to Kencht's agency to conduct a review of all federal programs, such as Federal Flood Insurance and Farmers Home Administration to assess their impact on coastal policies.

(One interesting note was that U.S. Assistant Administrator for Flood Insurance, Richard Krimm, was forced to cancel his appearance as a speaker at the program because he lacked the travel funds while Knecht, on the

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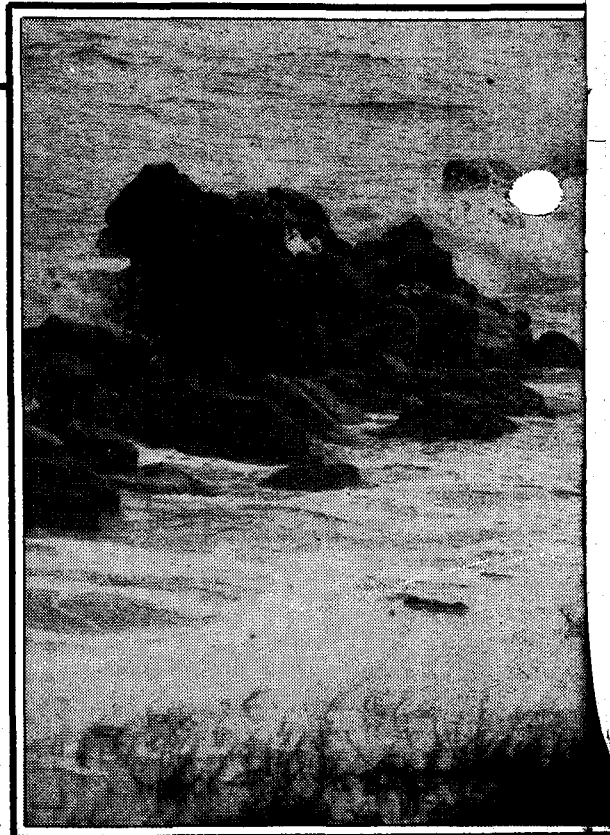
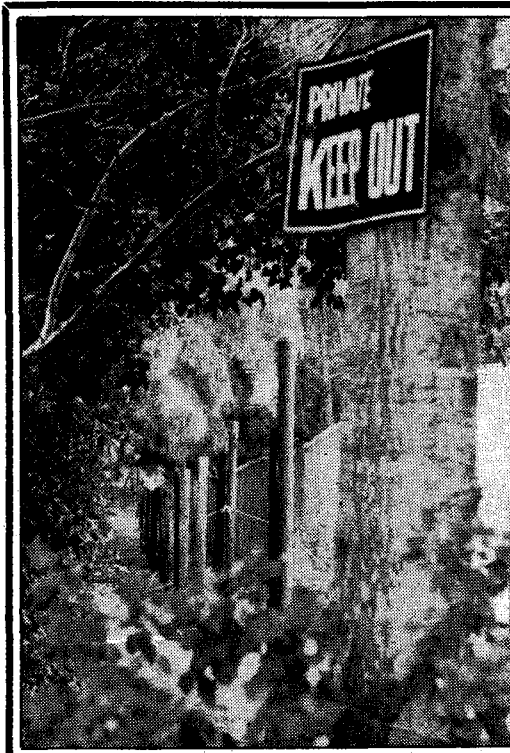
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Hurricane David proved renourishment projects worthwhile

A trip up the east coast shoreline the day after Hurricane David passed by convinced Army Corps District Engineer Col. James W.R. Adams that the millions of dollars spent on beach renourishment had not just been "gold washed back into the ocean." The Corps has recently been the subject of criticism by the Washington Post and, to a lesser extent, Time Magazine, for what they called wasting taxpayers' money on beach renourishment.

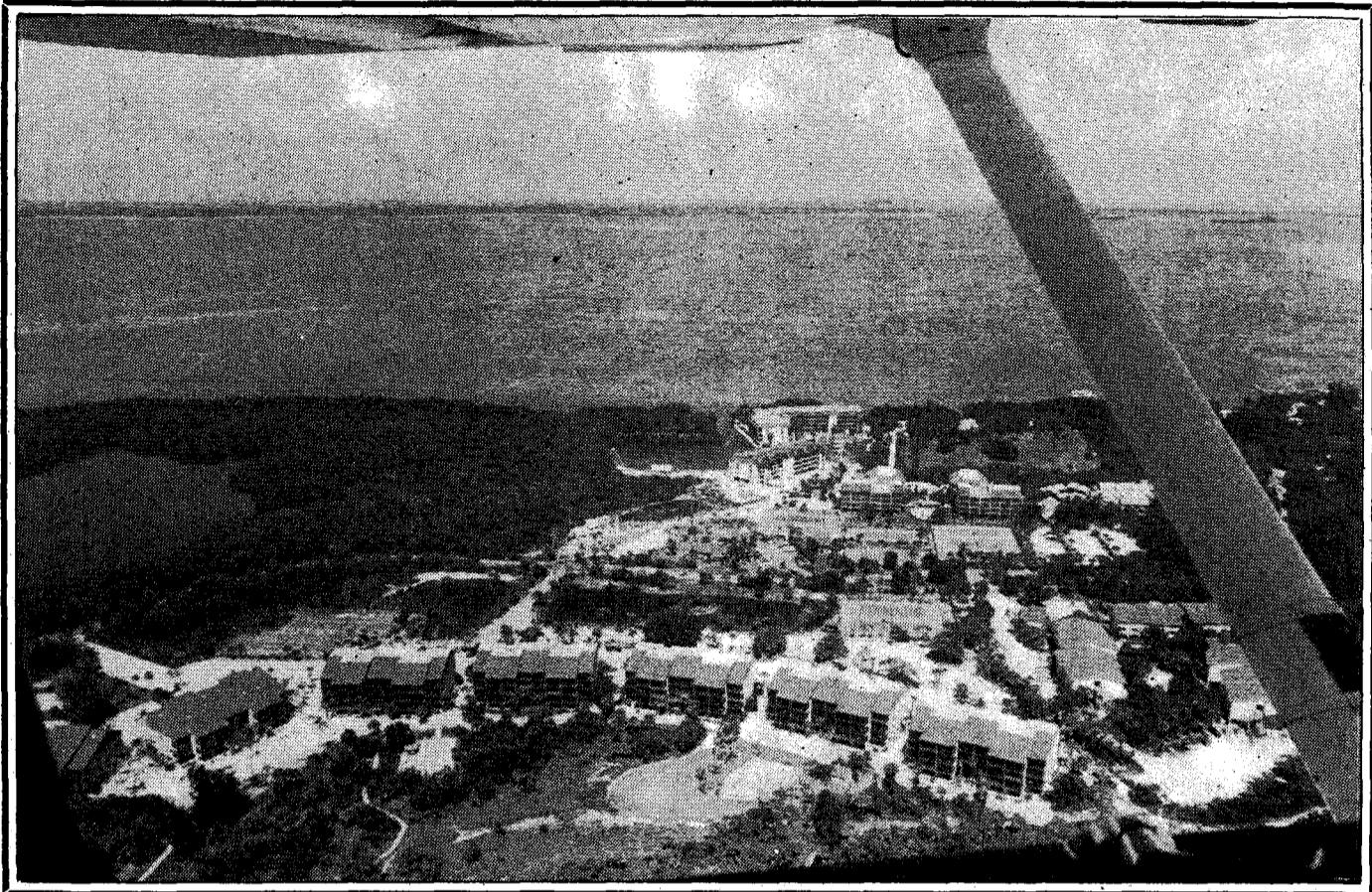
Adams said that the trip, and the film he showed participants at the Florida Shore and Beach Preservation Association conference from the trip, proved clearly that the beach renourishment was necessary for hurricane protection as well as for recreation. "Although," he reminded the audience, "Florida's major industry is tourism and the beaches play an important part of that industry."

photos by mark harmel



THE YEAR OF THE COAST

by gwen stevenson



was unaffected. Knecht pointed out that the separate travel accounts.)

At the same time, a federal study on barrier islands is due to be released later this month that will recommend that development on undeveloped barrier islands be forbidden by federal programs, such as the federal flood insurance program, where they encourage development in plain, be withdrawn.

Official handwriting appears to be on the wall in that it will provide for less habitation and more on the use of the already-inhabited coastlines in the Carter Administration prevails. Certainly, we would like to see more emphasis being placed by the government on our beaches and shorelines. It is hoped that emphasis will be effective in truly solving the problems, like reducing the impact from an off-island or providing engineering expertise for the re-opening Blind Pass remains to be seen.

South Seas Plantation's erosion prevention program outlined at Beach and Shores Conference

Everyone believes in erosion prevention but that belief often stops short of the pocketbook. The alternative of seeking federal or state funds to help with the expensive undertaking of rebuilding water-eroded shores often has strings attached that are objectionable to private owners...increased public beach accesses, sanitary facilities and the usual time lag associated with government bureaucracy.

Dick Stevens, a Mariner Properties Project Manager and Tetra Tech Senior Engineer Erik Olsen outlined how a project can be accomplished without either the hassles or loss of privacy associated with outside financing to the twenty-third annual meeting of the Florida Shore and Beach Preservation Association.

Stevens told the group that Captiva has lost 700 feet of beach in recorded history, with an average loss of 39 feet per year.

The effects of the recent hurricanes prove how "dynamic" the area is, according to Stevens. "We lost several feet of sand when Hurricane David went by on the east coast," Stevens said, "but we got all of it back and more when Frederick passed offshore in the Gulf." He added that the

sand accretions from Frederick were only temporary.

South Seas has constructed a rock groin into Redfish Pass which, according to Stevens, "is working quite well though it needs another 100 feet." The project South Seas is undertaking currently involves one

and seven-tenths of a mile south of the groin area on the Gulf of Mexico. "Although South Seas has provided the upfront money to get going," Stevens said, "they only own a portion of the beach. The rest is individually owned."

Stevens work plan consisted of appointing a project manager, developing a work plan, developing a finance plan that would be acceptable to the owners and deciding on a method of payment. It was finally determined that the beachfront property owners would pay 87 percent of the cost and the non-beachfront property owners would pay about 13 percent. Payment can be either by lump sum or spread out over eight years.

The next step, according to Stevens, will be to present a petition signed by 65 percent of the people who want the project to the Lee County Commissioners. The Commissioners will then appoint an advisory board who will run the activity for the county.

Stevens said that he started work about nine months ago and is now ready to go to the owners with a petition and a brochure outlining the advantages to the property owner. Specifically, Stevens will point out that the private financing of the project will ensure privacy (no additional accesses), periodic maintenance, fewer regulatory controls, less time and a less expensive project. Stevens explained that a government project of the same size would take three to five years to complete. Also, under Florida law, when property owners contribute to a project, they gain ownership of that portion of the beach landward of the erosion line.

Construction on the project is expected to begin in April of 1980. Olsen said that his firm has done the testing required to establish a good borrow site, in this case a seaward shoal in Redfish Pass. "It has a high shell content and we will not be going into the clay and silt so we will minimize any danger to the environment," Olsen stated.

The project is designed for a ten-year life "barring any unusual storm activity" and Olsen estimates that the borrow site will recover within five years.



golf

Jim Hermes drove his way into the winners circle of the Beachview Men's Association Summer Championship tournament last week as he edged out Charlie Uhr in the finals. Frank Rosen and Clay Marsh tied for third place. In the consolation flight Roy Hull came in first and Ken Preston finished second. The Association will hold an awards ceremony 6:30 p.m. tonight at The Timbers.

In Tuesday's play 18 players were matched in threesomes and foursomes, with the team of Clay Marsh, Al Lloyd, and Ray Howland finishing on top with an impressive score of plus nine.

The team of Ed Barone, Elmer Dalley, and Clay Marsh won Saturday's competition with a plus four, and finishing second with an even score was the Larry Simon, Roy Hull, and Tram Sessions team.



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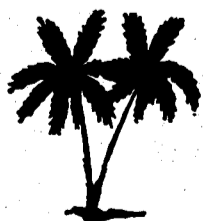
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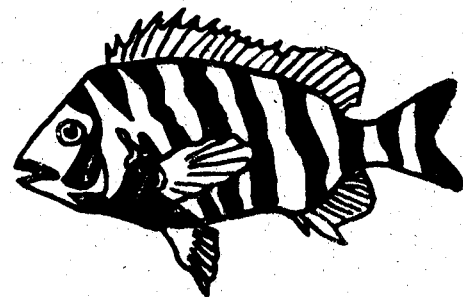
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photography show
on Florida wetlands now on exhibit
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A photography show on Florida's wetlands will be on view from October 1-12 at the Junior Museum-Nature Center. The photographs were taken by Fred Leavitt, a nationally recognized photographer who has been published in Life, Look, National Geographic, and Newsweek, from 1975-1978 while Leavitt was living in Florida and spent time camping, hiking and exploring the Florida wilderness.

Admission is free. the Nature Center is open Monday - Friday from 8:30 to 3:30; Saturday, 9 to 4; Sunday 11 to 4:30.

refuge report

by del pierce

Big Island, a 78 acre mangrove island located near the mouth of the Caloosahatchee River, has recently been acquired and is now a part of the Matlacha Pass National Wildlife Refuge. Other than posting and protecting the island, we will not be performing any management or development functions there.

To cut down on our fuel consumption and to be prepared for anticipated cuts in future gasoline allotments, we have purchased a 200cc motorcycle to be used for local administrative and patrol work.

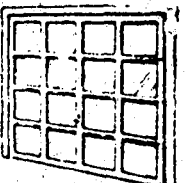
We have a part of the fire lane constructed around our burn area, but have been unable to continue work because of high water levels in parts of the area. If

the weather patterns do not change drastically during the next two months, we may not be able to consider a burn this year.

Three cases made by Refuge personnel have recently been processed through the Federal Court in Tampa. Two Bradenton men were fined fifty dollars each for trespassing on the Passage Key Refuge during the closed season. The island, closed to public use from April 1, to September 1, is an excellent nesting area for black skimmers, laughing gulls and American oystercatchers if it is not used by humans.

A young man from Cape Coral received a fifty dollar fine for littering the wildlife drive.

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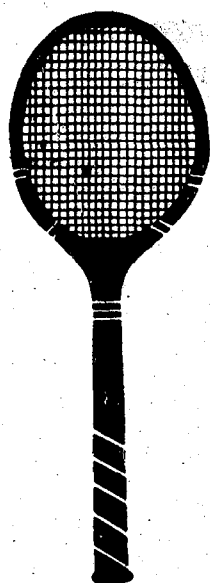






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tennis



Dorthy Andrews readies for a backhand volley at the net in The Dunes match against The Landings.

Two Sanibel tennis teams began play in the Lee County Women's League this week.

The "A" Division team housed at Casa Ybel came up with a 3-1 win over a team from Port Charlotte in a home match held Wednesday and on Tuesday, the "B" team from the Dunes struggled through a 4-0 loss to the Landings. Each squad fields four doubles teams.

Winning doubles teams for the Casa Ybel "A" team were Lou Anne Parker and Pam Pfaler over the team of Giardelli - Joiner 6-1, 6-3, Anne Costanza and Kathleen Zeiss topped Coheen - Shamon 6-3, 6-0, and Linda Horak and Marge Peck beat Goff - Norton 6-0, 6-3. The number one team of June Muench and Pam Thompson lost to Brewer - Marshall 6-0, 4-6, 6-3.

Dolly Ireland and Jackie Tetreault lost to Van Vorhies - Winrow 4-6, 6-4, 6-4. Jo Ann Fisher and Renee Wadkovsky dropped their match to McEldowney - Taylor 6-1, 6-4. Ester Simon and Dorthy Andrews started strong winning 4-6 but lost the final two sets to Huff - Stillman 6-2, 6-3, and Ginny Bissel and Mary Vernon were knocked off 6-1, 6-1 by Tyler - Shadle.

by mark harmel

LEE COUNTY WOMEN'S LEAGUE STANDINGS

"A" Division			"B" Division		
	W	L		W	L
Landings	4	0	Cypress Lake	4	0
Cape Coral	4	0	Cape Coral	3	1
Casa Ybel	3	1	YMCA 1	3	1
Burnt Store	3	1	FM Racquet Blue	3	1
Rangoon	1	3	Rangoon	1	3
Port Charlotte	1	3	YMCA 2	1	3
Lehigh	0	4	FM Racquet Red	1	3
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Casa Ybel's Lou Anne Parker stretches for a put-away shot at the net.

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PORTRAIT

by pat harmel

Sheila Snell

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Roots: Rye, New York

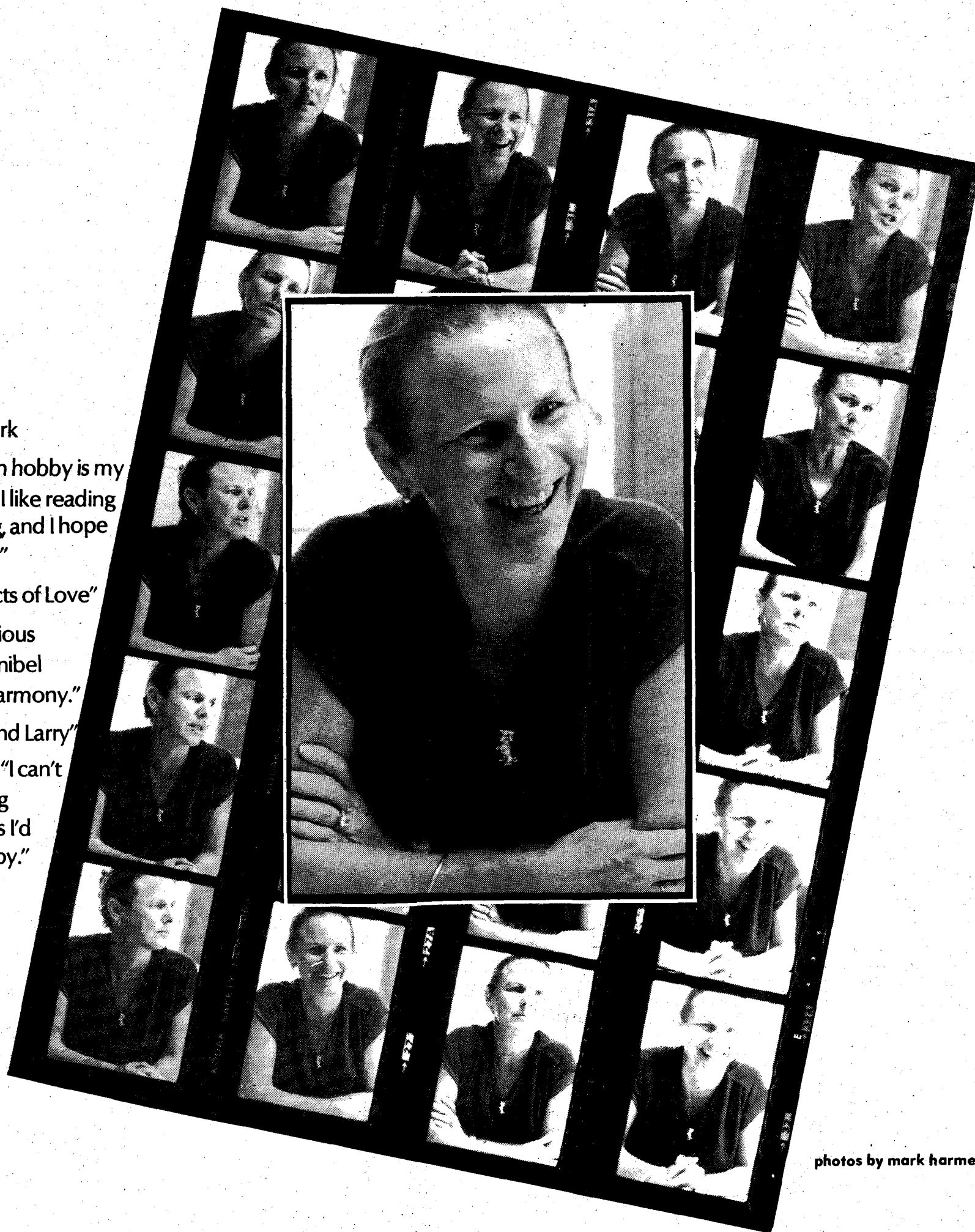
Pleasures: "My main hobby is my dog Luke. I like reading swimming, and I hope soon, golf."

Last Book Read: "Acts of Love"

Wish: "That the various factions on Sanibel could live in harmony."

Mentor: "My husband Larry"

Words of Wisdom: "I can't think of anything sensible - I guess I'd just say, Be Happy."



photos by mark harmel

Sheila Snell, former New Yorker and now Vice President of Priscilla Murphy Real Estate, paid \$6 for her husband Larry.

Not that she had to - she was already engaged when, for a lark, she, her fiancée, and another friend sent off \$6 apiece to a computer dating service - offering technology one last chance to put in its two-bits toward a marriage made in heaven.

When the metal mind had meshed, Sheila received the names of five potential soul mates. Like any sound thinking woman she picked out the name she liked best - Larry Snell - and gave him a call. The rest of the story is right out of the pages of the nuptial bliss annals. Sheila was contacted by the four other potential suitors, but it was too late. As was it for her fiancée - who will probably never participate in a "lark" again. Larry, her computer card husband, had received "pages and pages" of potential perfects ("I guess he wasn't too particular," says Sheila) but they were all for nought. Sheila's call came first and anything after that

would have been strictly downhill.

Little Sheila is one of seven daughters, "Fifth from the top, third from the bottom." She was active socially and academically back in Rye, New York, more tomboy than not. Raised principally by her father she carries fond memories of 35 people at Sunday dinners, although she doesn't remember who cleaned up the messes.

Despite never having learned to paint her fingernails she tried to be a good daughter and nice girl. After graduating from high school at 15 she went on to Cornell University to major in English and minor in economics. She had no great career goals at the time, it was just the thing to do. "Nice girls," she says, "went to college - that's where they caught their husbands. At that time the principal of your school wrote a letter to the college Dean saying 'She's a nice girl from a nice family,' and that's all it took to be admitted."

At college Sheila "learned to party," and then went on to the working world of New York. She worked as an administrator for the Social Welfare Research Organization

where she met and worked for Sy Buell - who later introduced her to Sanibel. After a short (three years) stopover in Charleston, South Carolina - where she worked as a tour guide and sold real estate - Sheila and Larry moved to Sanibel, and have now been here seven years.

The Snells live in the old Reed Homestead - one of the oldest homes on the Island, and have had little trouble adjusting to the Sanibel flow. "It was simple," says Sheila. "We went from a full run in New York to a dead stop in the deep South and now we're on Sanibel which is in between."

Sanibel's slow pace has done little to affect Sheila's manner of talking - which is just a hare's breath slower than a New York race horse - or her manner of working - full tilt ahead. "If I talk louder and faster," she explains, "I can say more. You learn that from growing up with six sisters."

Since Larry's retirement from the IWA Sheila has been the contented spouse of a "househusband" - an arrangement that suits her - both just fine. "It's wonderful to go home and have the house clean and dinner ready," she says. "Now maybe I can get back to learning golf!"

community calendar

The Sanibel-Captiva Christian Women's Club will hold its first monthly luncheon of the season at Chadwick's Restaurant on Captiva Thursday, October 11.

Jannett Stattler of Robb & Stuckey will speak regarding "A Touch of Change," giving members helpful hints to give homes a new look for Fall.

The public is cordially invited to attend the luncheon from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Admission is \$4.75. Reservations are required and cancellations must be made 24 hours in advance.

Reservations may be made by contacting Diane Good, 472-4673 or Ruth Rau at 472-1218. Mothers requiring babysitting service should contact Becky Cowan, 472-4241.

Christian Women's Club holds first meeting Thursday

Captiva Erosion Prevention District will elect officers Nov. 5

The Captiva Erosion Prevention District held their regular monthly meeting last Monday and selected four engineering firms to interview for their proposed erosion prevention project.

District Chairman Dan Burner said they would set up interviews with each of the four firms the last week in October. Then, according to Burner, the District Board will rank the applicants at their November 5 meeting. Burner explained that the next step would be to interview each firm in order to discuss price.

The District will also hold an election of officers at the November 5 meeting, Burner said, adding that none of the three-man board is up for general election this year but the selection of officers from the Board members is made every year.

Southwest Florida Scout Show slated for November

Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts and Explorers are out in neighborhoods all over Lee, Collier and Charlotte Counties selling tickets to the annual Southwest Florida Scout Show. The Show is scheduled for Saturday, November 17, at Exhibition Hall in Fort Myers.

This year's theme is conservation, and the Scouts will create exhibits covering all aspects of the subject, including wildlife, energy, water and soil. Special presentations by environmentalists are also part of the program.

Tickets are \$1 each, and all proceeds to support local Scouting programs throughout the year.

The Fort Myers YMCA will host the fourth Annual Great Pumpkin Racquetball Tournament on October 26, 27 and 28. First, second and third place trophies will be awarded in each division.

Entry fees are \$15 for adults and \$10 for juniors. For further information, call 936-7666.

YMCA sponsors Great Pumpkin racquetball tournament

The Sanibel Community Church will have its Fall Fellowship Dinner and Hymn Sing on Sunday evening, October 14, at 6 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall of the Church. New friends and returning islanders are encouraged to join Church members for this event that will feature Jean Culpepper at the piano and LeRoy Friday as song leader. These popular and talented musicians make the Hymn Sing a much requested and enjoyable Fellowship activity.

Those attending are asked to bring their own table service, and a dish to pass that will serve eight—either meat, a casserole, vegetable, salad or dessert.

Reservations will be taken at the Church on Sunday, or may be made by calling the Church office at 472-2684, or by calling the Fellowship Chairman, Mrs. Marguerite Strever at 481-3440.

Community Church sponsors Fellowship Dinner and Hymn Sing

Sanibel Elementary to hold Goodwill drive

Sanibel Elementary School is participating in a collection drive for Goodwill Industries of Southwest Florida, according to Kenneth R. Troutman, Executive Director.

Goodwill Industries was founded 77 years ago in Boston to provide employment and vocational rehabilitation for the handicapped. Goodwill-Southwest Florida serves Lee, Collier and Charlotte counties and also has stores in Arcadia and Clewiston. Ninety percent of Goodwill's operating costs are raised through the resale of used clothing and other discards.

On Tuesday, October 9, a Goodwill truck will deliver bags to Sanibel Elementary School, and sixteen other schools in Lee County. Teachers will distribute the Goodwill bags to children on Thursday, October 11. Children are to return the filled bags to the school on Monday, October 15 and the Goodwill truck will pick them up the next day.

Jean Sloane Walker exhibition now at Edison

An exhibition of the recent works of Jean Sloane Walker, including collagraphs, serigraphs and watercolors, will take place at Edison Community College, Gallery E, during the month of October.

Ms. Walker is a resident of Port Charlotte and exhibits nationally. She has studied at the Butler Art Institute and Carnegie Mellon University; she has won numerous awards in Pennsylvania, Ohio, New York and Florida. Her work has been shown in one-person exhibits in Pennsylvania, Sarasota, Port Charlotte and Punta Gorda.

The exhibition will continue through October 29. Gallery E is located in Building E on the Fort Myers campus and is open Monday through Thursday, 8:30 a.m. till 9 p.m., and on Fridays from 8:30 a.m. till 4:30 p.m.

Sanibel Police offer physical fitness test to youngsters

The Sanibel Police Department will sponsor a Physical Fitness Test for participants 12 years of age or older, to be held Saturday, October 13, at the Casa Ybel Beach & Racquet Club.

The test will consist of a one-mile walk-run; a 100-yard swim; 10 push-ups; 20 sit-ups; 10 pull-ups and 10 squat thrusts. The first 50 entrants to pass will receive Blue Ribbon Awards.

Entry blanks may be obtained at the Sanibel Police Headquarters and those interested are urged to register early.

Officer Don Case will officiate, assisted by Officers Dick Noon and Jack Primm.

League of Women Voters meets Monday

The first meeting of The League of Women Voters will be held on Monday, Oct. 15, at The West Wind Inn. The meeting will begin at 9:30 a.m.

The Tax Study Committee of the League will present a seminar at the meeting entitled: "Property Taxes in Florida". The panel of six tax experts will be headed by Joan Molochko. The public is invited.

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Another good method is to utilize your bathtub for something other than baths. Make it into a plant watering system. The first step is to place cloth or some other type of material on the bottom of the tub to prevent damaging the surface. Next, set clay bricks into the tub. Plug the tub and draw water to a point where it just covers the top of the bricks. Set your plants on the bricks and let physics take its course. The clay bricks will carry the water up to the

holes in the bottom of the plant container, thus watering your plants for you. You might have to leave the light on in the bathroom in order to allow enough natural light to sustain plant life. Make sure your tub is somewhat level on the inside, as older tubs are often low near the drain. You might have to adjust the level of the plant because it will be deeper towards the drain.

There is a handy little device that has just been introduced on the market. It is known as a capillary mat. It's a unique system, utilizing an artificial mat that absorbs water, much like a sponge. The mat is kept moist by an adjacent water supply, usually a bottle. These systems are relatively new and are not available in all parts of the country. It is by far the best method of plant sitting available.

Try these ideas before you leave on vacation to see how they work for you. This very well could prevent any rude awakenings when you come back home!

Happy vacationing!

If I can help you with any of your horticultural problems, just give me a call at 472-3125, or drop me a note, along with a self-addressed, stamped envelope, to: Don Rulle, Kandy the Florist, 1619 Periwinkle Way, Sanibel, Florida 33957.

by Don Rulle



After working all winter and summer many Islanders take a little vacation at this time of year. Fine...but what happens to your plants? Relax! I have a few ideas for you.

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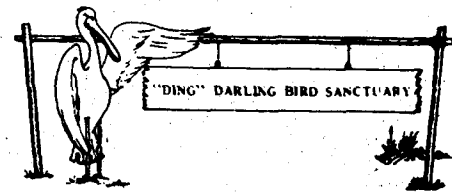
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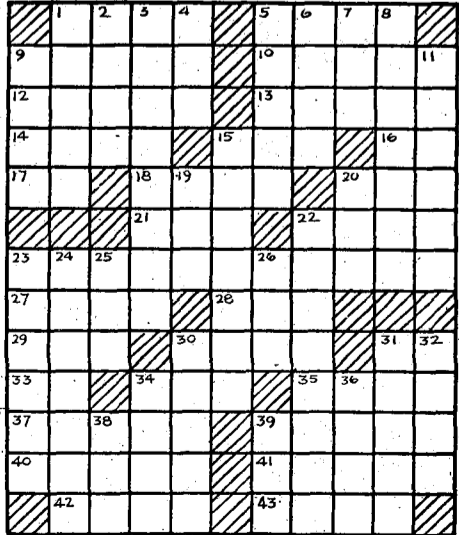
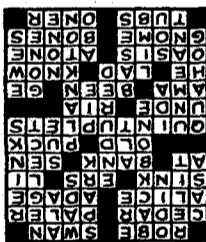
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planners

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Periwinkle Way would be more affected by a commercial designation because more parking spaces are required for commercial use. Haverfield disagreed, saying that the size of the building did not determine the amount of traffic.

Commissioner Ray Fenton suggested that the Planning Commission might be able to make a better determination if Goode brought in the site plans. Haverfield pointed out that Goode had prepared two plans "in a good faith attempt to avoid going to court and they're useless pieces of paper." He also explained that presentation of plans before the decision on the designation would be contract zoning.

Fenton said he supported the restricted commercial zoning because that designation is intended to be a buffer between full commercial and residential areas. "If you look at this parcel depth of 192 feet, and take the 100 foot setback, the commercial activity gets quite close to residential areas." Fenton added that he also felt that the Commission's approval of a less intensive use for the property because of an overburdened road would constitute proper planning.

Haverfield disagreed that the adjacent currently residentially-zoned areas should be considered because, since they are identical to Goode's, a court decision rezoning them to commercial would appear reasonable. Haverfield also contended that the trailer park which lies behind the Goode property would not be allowed in a regular residential community. Fenton said he didn't have guilt feelings about the economics of a Restricted Commercial zoning because "he (Goode) submitted a Restricted Commercial once and I feel, economically, if it worked for him then, it can work for him again."

Haverfield said that Goode was being singled out for different treatment because of the road problems. "This property should have been commercial all along. Don't single out John Goode because traffic is a mess for everybody."

Twink Underhill opened her comments by saying that she wanted the discussion to "get back on a friendly basis, and not an adversarial one." She went on to say that in her view, the better use was Restricted Commercial, adding that her opinion was not a punitive one.

Commissioner Joe Searing told Haverfield that he felt from a September letter Haverfield had written the City that it was "Full Commercial or Fight." Haverfield denied that the letter was a "threat".

Fenton finally moved that the Commission recommend that the City Council approve a Specific Amendment

changing the property to Restricted Commercial zoning. Sanibel resident Paul Howe raised the question of whether or not the Commission meant Restricted Commercial as it now stands or a possible redefinition of Restricted Commercial. Fenton replied that whatever definition was appropriate at the time Goode applied for his Development Permit would be applied. "Goode is in the position that 'we better get it built before they change the rules on us again'," Fenton declared.

After the motion passed unanimously, Twink Underhill said that she wanted to be sure to see the whole site plan before the Development Permit is approved.

Haverfield declined to say whether or not Goode would go to court for a full commercial zoning. "We'll wait and see what the City Council does," Haverfield said. "Occasionally, the City Council does something different from the Planning Commission."

In other action yesterday morning the Commissioners recommended approval of a Specific Amendment request by Don Bissell for Gerald and Marlene Platt to permit encroachments on road and bay setbacks in a Sanibel Harbors lot. Bissell argued that the odd configuration of the lot meant that the owners would have "more of a squeezing problem" than other lots in the subdivision.

Commissioner Searing objected because he felt that "adopting a variance to accommodate building plans is putting the cart before the horse." Searing felt that the building plans could be revised to meet the setback requirements. Fenton favored giving the owners the setbacks because of the lot's "lack of width."

A motion was passed four to one, with Searing dissenting, to recommend approval of the Specific Amendment to allow the house to be located 35 feet from the seawall and 15 feet from the front property line. Fenton also added that the septic tank should be removed to the front side of the house.

Allen Nave's request for a Specific Amendment to construct an addition to separate the men's and women's clothing division of Dunham's was recommended for approval yesterday as well, subject to two conditions: that Nave provide a vegetation buffer along Periwinkle right-of-way and that all vegetation, especially a bouganvillea tree, that is growing in the proposed development area, be relocated on the site.

A request by Charles and Mable Zuber for a Specific Amendment to build an addition to their home on Island Inn road was also recommended for approval, provided that the Zubers remove all of the visqueen from the lot, giving them a net gain in permeable surface of about 6083 square feet.

The Commissioners also agreed to recommend approval of a Specific Amendment to amend certain ecological zones to conform with the key and agreed upon a definition of "localized drainage areas" for the land use plan. According to the Commissioners, those areas should be defined as "low

areas, occurring on ridges, that temporarily collect storm runoff."

In action yesterday afternoon, the Commissioners were to consider a definition of "recreational open space" required by the high impact ordinance. Using the last definition prior to yesterday's meeting, the Staff's calculations of 7500 square feet per unit, as applied to Shell Island Beach Club II, would have resulted in a density less than that granted under the land use plan.

The Commissioners were also to consider a Development Permit request by John Kontinos to construct an addition to the Island Shopping Center and a Surety Construction Co. request for a Development Permit to build an 11-unit building, pool and tennis court on East Gulf Drive next to Sandalfoot Condominium.

police reports

September, like August, proved to be a relatively quiet month for the Sanibel Police Department, although the drive to enforce the new speed limits on the Causeway represented a major effort on their part. Islanders are to be congratulated, as the bulk of the tickets issued were to mainlanders.

There were nine reported thefts; 13 open doors; seven threatening phone calls to local residents; an American flag stolen from a Gulf-front resort; one furnished condo purchased that proved to be completely empty; two snakes captured and released in wooded areas; reports of distress flares going off in the Gulf (that ultimately proved to have been released by Sears' Test Lab); a local resident taking a siesta flat on his back in Bailey's parking lot; plumbing assistance offered by a Sanibel officer to a lady whose washing machine was overflowing; a stark naked gentleman wandering in the woods clad only in a white sailor cap and another totally nude sun bather in the fishing pier parking lot who had divested himself of a pair of brown trousers, a yellow shirt and a set of false teeth.

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