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## Hurricane specialists laud Sanibel storm plan

By Barbara Brundage

Dr Robert Simpson's Probabilistic Hurricane Warning System and the city of Sanibel won kudos from state, regional and county planners at a joint workshop of the City Council and Planning Commission last Thursday.

Sanibel officials gathered to hear Simpson's evaluation of the "dry run" of his innovative storm warning system during Hurricane Dennis last August.

Simpson, a meteorologist and former director of the National Hurricane Center in Miami is a consultant on the Warning Element of the city's Hurricane Evacuation and Hazard Mitigation study. He revealed that during this year's hurricane season he also monitored Hurricanes Gert and Harvey both of which had the potential to threaten Sanibel and Southwest Florida.

Gil Haas, Lee County's Disaster Preparedness director hailed Simpson's warning system as a valuable tool for decision making.

The science of hurricane forecasting peaked out several years ago, Haas said. And we are faced with the tremendous burden of deciding whether to evacuate or not to evacuate (when a hurricane threatens).

The warning system now used by the National Hurricane Center in Miami is

deterministic and is able to give threatened coastal areas only 12 hours warning of a possible strike.

With Simpson's probabilistic system the time to prepare is extended to as much as 72 hours before the hurricane's landfall.

Under the system the strength and direction of an approaching storm is viewed from a point on shore. In this case Sanibel. Using specific privileged data input from the Hurricane Center, Simpson's system can determine when strike possibilities exceed a threshold value demanded in any of six time periods (time windows) beginning 72 hours before expected storm touchdown.

These color-coded time windows cover successive 12-hour periods with each window assigned appropriate hurricane preparedness actions that minimize the costs of the inevitable false alarms.

Simpson has calculated a "hit to miss ratio" for each time window based on an analysis of Sanibel's historical hurricane record.

Simpson discovered that only one in four storms viewed as potential threats 72 hours ahead of predicted landfall actually hits the target.

Roland Eastwood, director of the Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council called Simpson's time windows an "oldie



Dr Robert Simpson explains his Probabilistic Hurricane Warning System to state, county and city officials. Photo by David Meardon.

If people know 72 hours in advance that there is a four in one chance of a hurricane hitting Southwest Florida it can result in an early evacuation of tourists and visitors at least," Eastwood said.

Both Haas and Eastwood stressed that a successful evacuation before a hurricane

strike depends on coordination of all disaster preparedness agencies from the state level on down.

Haas said he was excited about possibilities of the new warning system and

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## The Causeway question Council approves negotiations to secure fiscal agent

By Barbara Brundage

City Manager Bernie Murphy was authorized last Tuesday to negotiate a contract with the First National Bank of Boston to serve as the city's fiscal agent in possible negotiations with Lee County to purchase the Sanibel Causeway.

Murphy who said he had worked with the Boston bank in the past, said the bank would be "comfortable" as a part of Sanibel's negotiating team.

The city received nine proposals with price tags ranging from \$40,000 to \$75,000 for the negotiations from day one through the final step, Murphy told the council last week.

First National will charge \$100 an hour with a daily or monthly cap on time worked. Two months ago the council agreed to explore the feasibility of pursuing the

county proposal to sell the bridge for \$20 million. At that time the council recognized the need for valid information before serious negotiations could begin.

As a first step in mid-September the Wall Street law firm of Hawkins Delafield and Wood was retained to serve as legal counsel and answer the first question — can Sanibel legally buy the Causeway?

City Attorney Neal Bowen estimated it would cost the city no more than \$7,800 to find out if the purchase is legally feasible.

The fiscal agent will determine whether Sanibel can afford to buy the bridge.

The council appropriated \$17,000 in the 1981-82 budget to hire both consultants. But Councilman Fred Valin said he has "real reservations about spending that much money for only the most preliminary

findings.

I don't know whether the little city of Sanibel should take on such a project, Valin said. "My intuitive reaction is that it's just too big for us."

Right now we have no basis to make a decision, Councilman Mike Klein said.

The destiny of this island is tied in the Causeway — controlled or uncontrolled, Mayor Duane White said. The door has been opened to us for serious negotiations and we should take advantage of the opportunity.

But we must get the facts whether we want or can afford to buy the bridge and in what condition the mayor added.

White said he had been assured by at least two county commissioners that the county would either pay to repair the bridge before

selling it to the city or deduct the repair costs from the purchase price should the city fund the repairs.

The council agreed that many questions remain to be answered by both the legal counsel and fiscal agent.

Councilman Francis Bailey urged the council to "go forward."

We should go as far as we can without squandering money, Bailey said. His motion to retain the fiscal agent was approved by a 3-0 vote of the council.

But the basic preliminary question is how many commissioners are in favor of the proposal, White said.

To get the answer White was authorized to set up a workshop with the County Commission at the commissioners' convenience.

## Council hears first reading of open space proposal

By Barbara Brundage

A proposed amendment to the Comprehensive Land Use Plan designed to protect and preserve open space on Sanibel received a mixed reaction at a first hearing before the City Council last week.

The establishment of an Open Space Zone as proposed by the implementing ordinance will help the city avoid unnecessary conversion of the remaining open space land to strictly urban uses and prevent the adverse impact of urban development on this environmentally sensitive barrier island according to City Attorney Neal Bowen who helped write the document.

City Councilman Fred Vallin however questioned the purpose of the ordinance. "Why are we doing this," he asked. "What problem of the city are we overcoming?" Mayor Duane White was enthusiastic about the proposal and labeled the change an opportunity and incentive for good development on developable land and some increase in density.

Councilman Francis Bailey said he had not had an opportunity to study the 10-page ordinance and could not comment at that time.

Urban Planner president of the Committee of Neighborhood Associations threw up his hands admitting "I don't understand a word of it."

Final council action on the proposal that has already been approved by state regional and county planning agencies is scheduled for 5:00 p.m. at the Dec. 1 council meeting.

The ordinance sets up an Open Space Zone category for tracts of undeveloped land of 20 acres or more and provides for reasonable development of the land if it contains not less than 10 percent or five acres of sensitive land and not less than 10 percent or five acres of higher land.

"Sensitive land is defined as land in the Gulf Beach Blind Pass Lowlands and Uplands Wetlands Mangrove Forest or Bay Beach zones.

Higher land is defined as land in the Gulf Beach Ridge Mid Island Ridge or Altered Land zones.

Densities of not less than 3 or more than one dwelling unit per acre will be permitted. Planning Director Bruce Rogers said.

Worst case impact on the density would be an increase to 6 1/2 units for the 10 qualifying parcels now assigned 40 dwelling units. City Planner Ken Flahler estimated.

If all the eligible land was developed at 2 units per acre level, Flahler said, the figure would be reduced to 100 units.

Ch hand to assist Bowen, in explaining the new concept were attorneys Ed Ryan and Charles Seamon of the Chicago law firm of Ross Hardies O'Krote Babcock and Parsons the city's legal counsel.

Seamon explained that the proposed ordinance sets standards in CLUP for the development of sensitive land that could be used for the legal defense of the plan.

He said the incentive to the developer will be to enable him to receive a density credit for sensitive undevelopable land.

The owners of land that qualifies for the Open Space Zone must submit a master plan for development to the city and before a building permit is issued a precise plan must be submitted.

Both will be reviewed by the Planning Commission and the master plan must be approved by the City Council as well.

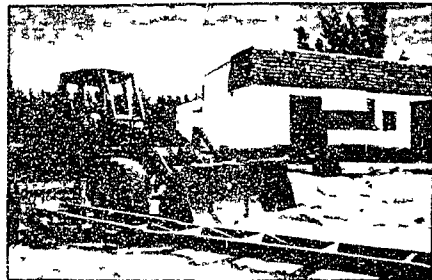
Density will be assigned on a case-by-case basis giving the council the option to increase density if all the criteria for developing in the Open Space Zone are met.

Seamon said he and PHOBP Attorney Fred Bosselman were motivated to draw up the ordinance by two Supreme Court decisions that have advanced the use of open space as a recognized tool of planning.

The U.S. Supreme Court in June 1980 ruled that the city of Tibouron Calif. had the right to develop local plans to discourage premature and unnecessary conversion of open space to urban uses. Bowen said.

The Florida Supreme Court decision in the Estuary Properties case affirmed that it is a legitimate concern of local and state governmental bodies to protect environmentally sensitive areas. he said.

It appeared to us that Sanibel is a microcosm of the Estuary case with much of the remaining open space on the island a mixture of wetlands and more developable land, Bowen said.



## The movies are moving!

It took nine men and 26 weeks last Wednesday to move the 335-ton Island Cinema 90 feet west of its former location next to Bailey's grocery store in the Island Shopping Center.

"The theatre has been closed since Nov. 7 while workmen prepared for the move

which will allow for the 28,000-foot expansion of Bailey's.

Management will have to wait until the first or second week in December before the theatre is ready to reopen, according to Island Shopping Center owner John Koutinos.

## Hurricane plan lauded from page 1A

thanked the city officials for cranking us into the system from the beginning. I am confident we can have a complete team effort and tie in with the South Florida Regional and state storm evacuation plans. Haza said.

Dr. Neil Frank who succeeded Simpson as the director of the National Hurricane Center in Miami said he was thrilled and excited by Sanibel's planning for storm evacuation.

You are in the forefront of realistic planning, he told city officials. I encourage you to move on.

Frank emphasized that he was not at the Sanibel meeting to endorse Simpson's system.

It has nothing to do with forecasting, he said. Rather it is a tool that makes decision-making more objective.

Councilman Fred Vallin who has been skeptical of the value of Simpson's scheme since it was first introduced to the city last

May admitted that he had misunderstood the concept.

I viewed it as another form of forecasting, he said Thursday.

Frank said for years the Hurricane Center has routinely used the 72-hour track of a storm but the information was not made public because it might lead to over reaction.

Simpson said he had learned much about the strengths and weaknesses of his probability system by the real time test of monitoring the three hurricanes this season.

The system is not separate or independent but is an extension of the work done at the National Hurricane Center, he said.

When the three storms were within 100 miles of Sanibel he began computing the hit or miss probabilities for each time window using computations available at the Miami National Hurricane Center.

## Saturday night dark, chilly

By Cindy Chalmers

Roughly 6,700 residents of both Sanibel and Captiva Island, were without electricity for nearly nine hours Saturday afternoon and night because of a faulty insulator atop a power pole near Matlacha Pass.

A lot of 147,000 residents of the Islands Cape Coral and Pine Island were a feisty by a blackout that started shortly after 3 p.m.

Power was restored to those Lee County Electric Cooperative customers in Cape Coral and Pine Island however early

Saturday evening Islanders remained in the dark until after midnight.

Electric co-op officials explained the outage was caused by a break in a porcelain insulator high atop a power pole in a dense mangrove area near Matlacha Pass.

The remote location of the power pole was blamed for the lengthy blackout on the Islands. Work crews were taken to the site by helicopter and worked through the night by floodlights and flashlights.

## Low bid received to remove Algiers

By Barbara Brundage

A Pine Island general contractor has submitted a low bid of \$114,997 to completely remove the 50-foot-long Algiers from city property on the Gulf beach.

Paul Schneider of Bokel also submitted bids of \$8,117 to purchase, remove the boat and mound over the site and \$7,480 to break up the boat, and mound over the site.

Assistant City Manager Cary Price said he will recommend complete removal of the boat that many Islanders consider a white elephant.

Price said Schneider's three bids will be checked for specifications by Gee and Jensen engineers. Paul Carroll whose recommendation will be presented to the City Council Dec. 1.

Three other bids opened Thursday ranged from \$47,000 to \$118,000. Price said.

Gee and Jensen use Fort Myers engineering firm has made a study of ways and means to restore the former cat ferry for public use. had estimated the cost of demolition between \$85,000 and \$150,000.

I was fagged out at the low bid. Price said. I don't know how Schneider is going to do it. But he assured us he could get the bond and the \$1 million in insurance we're requiring.

Although an \$5,000 appropriation for the Algiers' demolition was removed from the 1981-82 city budget, Price said \$7,000 earmarked to put a protective fence around the site could be used to partially fund the cost of removing the eyesore from the beach.

## Houstons to seek BMR house

By David Meardon

Sanibel residents Linda and Brian Houston have been given the first option to purchase the city's first Below Market Rate house. The Houstons were selected for the first option in a lottery held Sunday in the newly-renovated house on Atlanta Plaza and have already indicated their intention to seek purchase of the house for \$45,000.

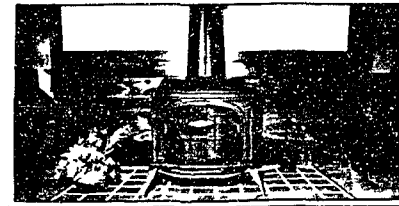
The Houstons were one of three parties competing for the right to purchase the house. Patty and Henry Nachtsheim have second option while Rick and Phyllis Gubottli have the third option in the event the Houstons are unable to meet the requirements of the Community Housing Resources (CHR) board.

The board now will seek financing for the house and in turn will set up an agreement with the buyer based on the terms available from the bank.

The board received 13 applications from people interested in the BMR house by the Oct. 9 deadline. Of the 13 four did not show up for an interview, two withdrew from consideration and another four were disqualified because they already owned property elsewhere. That left three parties and the Houstons were the first selected.

At the open house on Sunday afternoon CHR treasurer Carter Valtio praised all those involved in remodeling the house.

"I don't think there was a single phase of the remodeling of the house where we didn't have help — and most of it was voluntary," he said.



## Obituary

### William J. Brunson

William J. Brunson, age 61, 1009 Buttonwood Lane died on Thursday Nov. 19, 1981 at his residence.

Formerly of Miami, Brunson had been a part-time resident of the island since 1958 and a full-time resident since 1971. He was a member of the Village Church at Shellpoint Village.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Lena Brunson. Memorial services will be held at a later date.

## Memorial service

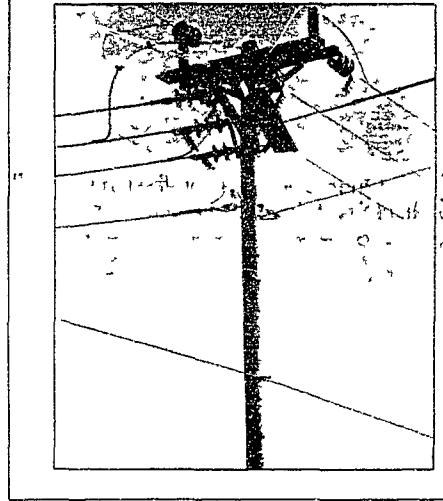
### Elise Campbell Fuller

Memorial services for Elise (Lilley) Campbell Fuller who died on Oct. 9, 1981, will be held on Saturday, Nov. 21, at 10 a.m. at Saint Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church, Sanibel.

Mrs. Fuller, a permanent resident of Florida since 1983, is survived by one son, Pierce Fuller of Newell, Miss., four grandchildren, four great-grandchildren and one niece. Mrs. Fuller made many valuable contributions to the community of Sanibel.

## Thanksgiving schedule

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### SAP urges protection of Australian pines

A copy of the following letter was given to the Islander for publication.

#### To Island Residents

I am writing to warn you in case you are not already aware of what is happening. If you love Sanibel the way I do you will not allow our lovely canopy of Australian pines to be destroyed.

Indiscreetly one by one the Casuarinas along Periwinkle are being removed either by the saw or by poison (who can lay blame for cutting down a dead tree). I understand that the Powers that Be are prepared to get rid of 40 percent of the Australian pines along Periwinkle alone.

Their excuses are: (1) They are a weed (2) They are not indigenous to this island or county (3) They are shallow rooted and will blow down during a hurricane thus blocking our escape route.

I will answer thus: (1) They are beautiful trees to most of us (2) We humans including the Vegetation Committee, George Campbell, Mike Klein and the Royal Palm along McGregor Boulevard are also not indigenous to this Island or county (3) We now have an EER (Emergency Escape Route) a beautifully paved road that connects West Middle and East Gulf Drives

which we taxpayers built and paid for with many an Australian pine to fall across! We have an old map of Sanibel (Sanibel) dated 1833 in which the legend states that the island was picked for settlement because it was barren (the rest of the territory of Florida being a jungle at that time) and was therefore most suited to husbandry (agriculture).

If you want to see Sanibel become as it originally was almost 150 years ago you will see a barren island. All of you who like this life style should move forthwith to Cape Coral.

Rise up you silent majority who loves these trees as the SAP rises in them and let your name be heard by our City Fathers. No more murder of our precious heritage which affords us our most unique and coveted product - shade.

Write me at the address below if you want your name joined to those I will present to City Council to prevent any further slaughter of these whispering friends.

S.A.P.  
Save Australian Pines  
Bette Williams  
5730 Pine Tree Drive  
Sanibel FL 33957

### CEPD commissioner speaks out for Dick Butze

#### To The Islander

I would like to reply to the letter written by J. Wesley Skiffington III which was published in your paper Nov. 3, 1981.

As a fellow commissioner with Dick Butze who is the President of the Board, I would like to say a few words in his behalf.

First of all Mr. Butze would have no motive, no reason for working on the Captiva Erosion Prevention District to try and "enrich" the rest of the island because of any connection with Mariner.

Dick lives in the South Seas compound and his home is right in the middle. He is safely protected by a very nice beach. The only thing he is going to do by working to get the rest of the island nourished is to increase his tax base because all of the South Seas people although they are paying for their own enrichment also will have an additional tax to help cover the rest of the island.

So there is certainly no personal gain in it for Dick. His only interest is one of a true resident of Captiva who realizes how precarious our situation is and the vulnerability of our beaches, and he is donating his time and energy to try and protect the rest of the island. The abuse

he is taking and I am sure his wife is also getting certainly has no reward for either of them except to try and make Captiva as lovely a place as it used to be.

So I think Mr. Skiffington is completely off base and is unqualified in the remarks he is making here. As to voter registration vans on the island, this has happened prior to every election and is part of the democratic process that anyone who is a citizen of an area is entitled to vote. I trust he does not fault the way our government is set up and run.

Being an erosion commissioner the violation of Mariner in dredging the additional sand is well documented, and all the proper authorities were informed.

I don't know why renourishing the rest of the island is good for Mariner only. It is good for the rest of Captiva. I also wonder how long he wants us to wait to see how long the beach at South Seas stands up one year, two years or 10 years or if he is more interested in watching the island disappear.

Also it is of great interest to me that this letter should be published by The Islander when the matter was checked with the Postmaster and report was given that there

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## Island Island visit prompts Thanksgiving Day poem

To The Islander  
Dear Friends

Our family has visited your lovely Island four times since the spring of 1979 and we have enjoyed every minute of our visits. We also enjoy very much our subscription to

### CEPD con't

was no one of that name of past office boss on Captiva Island.

I think this helps further put the news media into question. Certainly some of the things the Washington Post has pulled lately have not helped the profession, and things of this nature certainly cannot help.

John Oster, Jr.  
Lake Wales Florida

your paper

For us the best things about your newspaper are the articles about abelling and wildlife. We love Captain Mike Fluey's columns.

One thing we would like to see you include would be a little box with the high and low temperatures and rainfall for the days of the week preceding publication.

Last November we were lucky enough to spend Thanksgiving week on Sanibel and thoughts of that visit prompted the enclosed bit of writing (I can't call it poetry).

We wish everyone on Sanibel a Happy Thanksgiving. We have plans to visit the Island next May (if the good Lord is willing).  
Mrs. Robert Keresack, Sr.  
Toldeo, Ohio

Thanksgiving 1980

Over the causeway  
And to the shore  
For Thanksgiving week we go  
The gulls lead the way  
For our hatchback aigh  
To follow the road so slow

The sun is so bright  
And there's a man a sight  
To cause us to laugh and smile  
Some dolphins at play  
And sandpipers stay  
With us as we walk awhile

We ride on a bike  
And then take a hike  
On the beach - see the pelican dive  
We take shells that are dead  
Let it never be said  
That we ever took one while alive

We walk in the surf  
And pick shells one by one  
Oh look at the conch by my toe!  
A scallop shell bright  
A wonderful sight  
And cockle shells (not in a row)

A trip to the refuge and  
Oh what we see!  
Herons in blue and in green  
And swimming right there

(We watch and take care)  
Is a swim as big as we've seen

We swim in the sun  
And relax in the shade  
We eat and we drink brew with foam  
The days pass so quick  
That it just makes us sick  
That so soon it is time to go home

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**Property assessments lowered; millage rate hiked**

There was bad news last Tuesday for Sanibel property owners. A \$22.111 million reduction in the assessed value of real property in the city has killed the 1983-84 millage rate. 2 of a mill to 3.448 mills for coming tax year. City Manager Bernie Murphy informed the City Council last week.

A rate of 2.548 mills was approved by the council when the budget was adopted Oct. 15.

The increase in millage rate will raise taxes 10 cents on each \$1,000 of valuation Murphy said. "Taxes on a home assessed at \$60,000 will go up \$6," he said.

The decrease in valuation to \$860,730,000 from \$882,841,000 is the result of County Tax Appraiser Ken Wilkinson adjusting assessments for Sanibel taxpayers who appealed their initial assessments, Murphy explained.

There's something wrong with the process," Councilman Fred Valtin protested. "The appeal process should not be before we are required to adopt the budget." Murphy agreed but added that under the current system the appeal process is still open to property owners.

Because of the decrease in the appraised property values the millage rate for the Shell Harbor Canal Maintenance's special taxing district was also upped from the 7.259 mills adopted Oct. 15 to 7.388 mills.

This represents a 1 percent increase in taxes," Gordon Kiddle, president of the Shell Harbor Property Owners Association, pointed out.

Property valuations in the district dropped from \$21,498 million to \$21,725 million.

The council sitting at the Shell Harbor Canal Maintenance District Board of Governors, heard other bad news last Tuesday.

Revenue of \$23,400 anticipated from the sale of spoil from the dredging operations will probably not be forthcoming, Murphy said.

Murphy Properties, Inc., which had agreed to purchase the sand for re-grading property development, must have the material by March 1, 1984, at the latest, Murphy said.

"I doubt seriously that the district will have begun dredging the canals by that time," he said.

The ad valorem tax levied will fund \$300,000 of the district's \$320,000 budget for 1984.

**MUNICIPAL RECORDS**

By Barbara Brundage

**Sanibel Marina to proceed with condominium conversion plan for docks**

Sanibel Marina got the green light from the City Council last Tuesday to begin renovation of its docks and have them towed to convert 50 of the existing 40 boat slips to condominium ownership.

The council also approved by a unanimous vote a specific amendment to permit division of the property on North Yachtman Drive into three separate parcels, each containing a separate marina-oriented business.

Attorney Roger Larson, who represented Alan Senall of the Sanibel Marina Associates, that the Marina management intended to define and control parking in 40 spaces at the marina.

Douglas Smith had complained to the council that boats at the marina continued to park on property he owns at Buttonwood Lane and on the public right-of-way. He wanted to know what recourse he had to get the boats removed.

But Larson contended the public and

**Christian Science Society sign variance request denied**

For the second time, the City Council last Tuesday denied the Christian Science Society variances to permit a sign in front of the church on West Gulf Drive to encroach four feet on the right-of-way and to contain 11 items of information.

The city's graphics ordinance permits only five items of information on any one sign and defines the item of information as a "dictionary word."

Frank Stevens, president of the Christian Science Society, called the council's action "unreasonable."

"I thought the matter had been resolved satisfactorily several weeks ago," Mayor Duane White told Stevens.

"Two representatives of your church apparently agreed to a council suggestion that the sign be moved westward to a location where no variances would be required," White said. "We have no authority to allow anyone to place a sign on any part of a road right-of-way," he added.

But Stevens said a sign at the council proposed location would be screened from the street by shrubbery that is a part of the landscape design. He said the listing the times of services on the sign is needed to inform visitors who have a hard time even finding the church.

"As I see it you have two alternatives," Councilman Mike Klein told Stevens. "Get a shovel and dig up the shrubbery or move the sign to a different location where no variances are needed."

Councilman Porter Goss, who cast the only vote against the motion to deny, had originally proposed an amendment to the graphics ordinance that would count times of church services as one item of information.

But the council turned down the amendment the first time the Christian Science Society appeared before the council seeking variances.

Goss was not present at that meeting.

**Ordinance amending bike rules tabled**

An ordinance that would have deleted the requirement that bicyclists using Sanibel bike paths must display flags and sound devices was tabled last Tuesday by a 3-4 vote of the City Council.

Councilman Porter Goss introduced the ordinance because he said the regulations were not being enforced and are no longer necessary.

On the ordinance's second reading last week, however, Goss said he had changed his mind.

"I now think removal of the flag is premature," he said. "There are still some areas on Sanibel where there are no bicycle paths and cyclists must ride in the road. But it's reasonable not to require horns or bells on the bikes."

Councilman Mike Klein and Fred Valtin argued that both flags and sound devices are necessary not only for the safety of the cyclist but to alert the motorist that a bicycle is on the road ahead of the car in front and prevent accidents.

With Police Chief John Butler in the audience, Goss made the point that stricter enforcement of the flag requirement is

needed.

Valtin added that the provision of the ordinance requiring cyclists to use the bike paths if available should also be "rigorously enforced."

Rutter said that at one time police cited 80 owners of bicycles that did not carry flags and, "Every single case was thrown out in court." He said the Police Department would start issuing warnings.

Islander Clarke Newcomb told the council that walkers and joggers also need protection on the bike path.

Newcomb, who said he walks the Periwinkle Way bicycle path for exercise daily, pointed out that horns or bells warn of the approach of a last bike rider coming from behind.

Councilman Francis Bailey made the motion to table the ordinance. Valtin and Mayor Duane White argued that the ordinance should be killed for all and voted against the motion.

Two other ordinances were unanimously approved by the City Council on second reading last Tuesday.

Under the terms of one ordinance, drivers of overweight vehicles can delay paying the fees charged for crossing the Causeway.

The ordinance also gives the city manager the authority to deny subsequent overweight permits until the charge is paid.

"This is merely a house-keeping item to bring the law into compliance with practice," Mayor Duane White said.

The second ordinance provides for taxing hotels, motels and tourist courts for occupational licenses on a per-bedroom rather than per-unit basis. This brings the facilities in line with single-family homes, condominiums and interval ownership camp places that already pay \$15 for each bedroom in the unit.

The ordinance proposed by Planning Commissioner Joe Searing is aimed at "condos in the hotel business," City Manager Bernie Murphy said.

Sundial Resort is basically the only one affected, Murphy said, adding that a change will produce an increase in occupational license revenue of about \$1,250.

It is basically a matter of equity, Murphy added.

"Under the terms of one ordinance, drivers

**Temporary entrance at Bandy Beach okayed**

Use of an easement as a temporary entrance at the Bandy Beach condominium project on East Gulf Drive at Buttonwood Lane during the final phase of construction was approved by the City Council last week.

Douglas Smith of Equity Services Group

filed the developers assured the council that the easement adjacent to The Colony Resort property line would be closed off permanently with vegetation when the last building is completed.

During the four months estimated to finish

the building traffic will be restricted to residents of the three buildings already completed. The access will not be used by construction vehicles he said.

The only entrance to the project when completed will be off Buttonwood Lane

**City equipment worn out, removed from inventory list**

More than \$7,000 of city-owned equipment has been removed from the inventory rolls with the approval of the City Council.

Most of the 14 pieces of equipment that ranged from a 1976 Chevrolet truck to a Polaroid camera was worn out and not repairable, City Manager Bernie Murphy said.

A \$129.99 McCullough chainsaw, misplaced by the Public Works Department, was one of two losses attributed to carelessness, Murphy said. But the city recovered \$700 from the insurance company for a portable hand-held S-watt walkie talkie that was stolen from the Police Department, he added.

Councilman Fred Valtin said he wondered "why the council should be involved in a process only to relieve the city manager of accountability."

He suggested that the council pass an ordinance permitting the administration to dispose on its own city property valued up to \$1,000.

Councilman Mike Klein disagreed and said requiring council approval for disposal of city property is "a perfectly good check system."

"It only happens once a year," Mayor Duane White reminded Valtin.

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**MUNICIPAL RECORDS**

**Swimming pool, deck approved for Sanibel Isles home**

The City Council last Tuesday gave final approval to Ruth Frank's request to construct a swimming pool and deck that will exceed the impermeable coverage allowed by the Comprehensive Land Use Plan at her Sanibel Isles home.

The council decided not to impose the restriction recommended by the Planning

Commission that the viqueen cover under the gravel yard be pierced and never replaced to provide more drainage.

Though Councilman Mike Klein still favored "using a pitchfork to poke holes in the pounce cover," he joined his fellow councilmen in a unanimous vote of approval.

The City Council last week split the difference and approved a density increase of three units on Earl Wightman's property in Caloosa Shores subdivision instead of the six he had requested.

Wightman's 16 lots under the Comprehensive Land Use Plan had a development intensity of one unit per acre that permitted only six dwelling units.

The Planning Commission had denied his request for an increase in density to 2.3 that would allow him to build 12 homes on his property.

But as a compromise Commission Chairman Ann Winterboeren and Coun

**Wightman allowed 1.5 density for nine units in Caloosa Shores subdivision**

missioner Don Manchester suggested a raise in the density to 1.5 that would permit three more units or a total of nine.


Councilman Porter Goss said 1.5 density is compatible in the western zone near the Ding Darling sanctuary where Wightman's property is located and said the increase would have no significant effect on density island-wide.

Councilman Fred Valtin's motion to approve the density increase to 1.5 passed by a 5-0 vote.

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## MUNICIPAL RECORDS

### Council approves Phase I of \$468,000 bike path project

Plans for 3 1/2 more miles of bike paths on Sanibel were presented to the City Council last week.

The \$468,000 project for paths along Tarpon Bay and Casa Ybel roads will be funded in part by a \$300,000 state grant. Assistant City Manager Gary Price told the council.

The council gave its approval for construction of Phase I a path along Tarpon Bay Road from Periwinkle Way to West Gulf Drive and then east to Casa Ybel Road at a cost of \$289,000.

The path located some distance from the highway along the east side of Tarpon Bay

Road is in wetlands therefore the work must be done during the dry season. Price said.

The path will be six feet wide except on the stretch between the Trost parking lot and Gulf Drive where it will widen to eight feet to accommodate pedestrian traffic.

Bicycle crossings will be marked on Tarpon Bay Road at the Bailey Tract and at the West Gulf Drive intersection at the public beach access.

This section of the take network is expected to be completed in 120 days. Price said.

In Phase II the path will be extended on

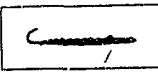
Casa Ybel Road to South Winds Drive then cut through the Algiers property where a bridge will cross a natural waterway. It will then run parallel to the new Middle Gulf Drive connector north to Casa Ybel Road and end at Periwinkle Way.

In the original plan the path utilized the existing pavement along South Winds Drive. But some council members expressed concern that it would be hazardous for bicyclists to use the narrow road and suggested the path be placed along the north side.

Price said that would necessitate the removal of a row of young Australian pines

but he agreed to determine the added cost for the additional stretch of path before bringing the plans for Phase II back to the council for final approval.

The council last Tuesday also approved a change order of \$19,728.98 for Council Construction Co. to reconstruct and overlay the Fulger Pyrala Parview intersection as part of the East Gulf Drive connector project.



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# On the water

By Captain Mike Fuery

One of the common major concerns that many visiting fishermen share is the feeling that their fresh water experience won't help them catch fish here in the brine. The next reason they don't try fishing here is that they are afraid they don't have the equipment to handle the variety of fish that roam around Sanibel and Captiva Islands. I don't know how many times I've heard people on the dock remark "I know how to fish at home but I can't do anything around here."

It is not as mysterious as it probably looks so this week let's look at some of the things needed to change a sweet water angler into a saltwater angler. I will be using a saltwater snook as an example with a few fish to show for the effort.

It's the first thing you have to remember about Florida salt water fishing is it's for free. That's right - as long as you fish in the adjoining salt waters anywhere in Florida you don't need a fishing license. That means anytime you feel like fishing you wander on down to your spot and do it. There won't be any officer sneaking around the mangroves checking to see if you bought a license.

Next, nearly every fish that hits the beach or deck at the other end of your line is well fit for the table. There are

exceptions just as there are back in your neck of the woods but even if the fish aren't edible they are fun to catch. That's another thing you are going to discover about fishing in salt water. There's not a fish out there of any size that doesn't pull like a wild thing when hooked. Some of our larger fish such as the rays and sharks can literally pull you right to the side of the boat and threaten to take your arms out of the sockets while they are at it!

But unless you are just interested in monster fishing the average eating fish you will find weigh in at from one to 20 pounds. Some of the best are the spotted sea trout, the redfish, snook, grouper, Spanish mackerel and blue fish. There are many many more.

I think one of the biggest mental changes a first-time Florida fisherman has to make is to realize that in salt water you don't catch a fish for just one kind of fish. There are lots of places I have fished up north where you go for just bass or just pike there when one of my fishing parties asks me "What are we going to catch?" I simply shrug and say "There's no telling until something comes in and we see what's biting." There could be any of about 70 different kinds of fish at any given place.

One costly mistake few salt water fishermen make is to go out and buy fishing equipment that is much too heavy for the task. This summer I had a retired couple out on my boat fishing in salt water. There's not a fish for big game species but only with 10-pound test line and light tackle. They regularly take snailfish off the other side of Florida and they had an album along on my boat to prove it.

The point is don't worry about letting the big one get away because you didn't have the backing in the rod or reel to bring it in. The average fish will be handled easily with 10-12 pound matched spinning outfit.

The best advice I can tell you is to ask a clerk at one of the area fishing tackle stores to put an outfit together rather than going into a store yourself and selecting a one-size reel here and a mismatched rod there.

Better yet if you have your equipment from home especially if it's a bait casting outfit there is no reason you can't use it here. Best to change the line however. Any mono line on a reel for several months tends to weaken and poor quality line more than anything will cost you fish.

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# Shelling Tips

By Captain Mike Fuery

Ever wonder what might be the most easily recognizable shell? My guess would be the sand dollar or the star fish. This week let's look a little closer at these shells and talk about where to find them and what to do with them when you get them home.

There are several stories about how the sand dollar got its name. One theory is that the dollar coin of years ago was about the same size as some sand dollars found in various parts of the country.

Actually our typical sand dollar is more the size and appearance of a saucer although obviously they have to be born flat and grow up. Yes, there are some the size of a metal dollar.

As far as rarity goes the sand dollar doesn't rate very high on the list of monetarily valuable shells. But I've found in my charters that people just love finding them.

For you who are new to shelling sand dollars are brownish and covered with tiny nearly microscopic hairs that aid the shell's feeding.

The dead sand dollars you find on the beaches are usually a light sand color or even white. This is because when the

creature inside dies the combination of sun and salt eventually dries and cures the shell for you.

Be careful however because once the shell is processed by nature it is very brittle and requires great care to get it back to a safe place for display use or the trip home.

Sand dollars are colony feeders which means in their natural state they are often found in great groups. The food they seek might draw hundreds to live just barely under the sand floor.

Feeding sand dollars is a matter of luck more than purpose. What the sheller must do is walk enough beaches and sometimes in the water to neck-deep and possibly come upon a colony. There are live and dead sand dollars in such an area. We always encourage you to only take the dead sand dollars and leave the live ones.

Along Bowman's Beach a free public beach on Sanibel is a good spot to look for dollars. It's getting colder in the water so if that wading is too much for you I would suggest walking the water line and keeping an eye out for the round perfect sand dollars.

As for star fish I would say there are few shells as dif-

icult to clean but there are also few shells as popular and interesting as the star fish.

There are several types of star fish in our waters but the best for collection is the Florida brown star which reaches a span of perhaps seven inches for the largest half that for the average.

You will find Florida brown stars washed upon the beaches quite often. Sometimes they will be wrapped around pilings under docks so always have a close look when you go for a walk along the water's edge.

One of the star fish found in the grass beds of Pine Island Sound only reaches about an inch or so long as the usual five legs that they all do but is dark brown and has spots. Another is flat green and has tiny teeth around all five of its legs. Still another has striped legs but if scared will drop a leg as you pick it up.

The trick is to find a good specimen and then get it dried flat so it won't curl up and ruin itself. One of the best ways to do this is to keep the star fish in salt water until you can get

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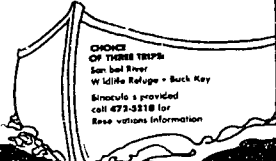
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**On the Water** from page 10A

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The main point is to get the little things like what weights to use and what hooks and knots to select so you don't waste your time using old northern methods that might not work down here.

Your next assignment is to open those ears. Good fishermen make a trip down the dock about 3 p.m. and listen as the others talk about what they caught, where and how they went about it.

One hard lesson you will learn in this sport is never ever walk up to a group of fellows just in from a successful day of

angling and ask, "Say, where did you catch those?"

That's right. Fishermen here are the same as at home — tight lipped when it comes to telling where their favorite rigs might be. Like I said, slick around and notice how they rig up their outfit, what they used for bait, and chances are the bragging will get the best of them and they will come right out and tell you anyway. Just remember, don't ask first.

Fishing around here is some of the best there is in Florida for beginning anglers. You don't need an expensive boat or equipment, and even if the fish aren't biting that particular moment, you can always look for shells until they do. It won't be long.

Good angling out there this week.

**Shelling Tips** from page 10A

It's home, then wrap it in wax paper and stick it in the freezer with a small weight on top. Of course, the easiest way is to find one already good and flattened out.

The most valuable sand dollar found by any of my charter groups was an all-black arrowhead sand dollar. As for star fish, once a lady found one that had nine legs — a real collector's piece.

Good shelling this week — and remember the law of only taking two live shells, per species, per person.

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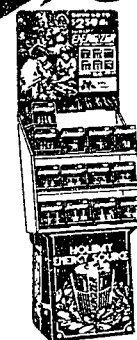
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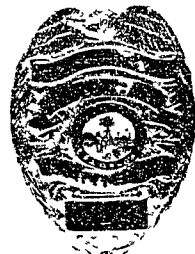


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### Police Beat



All information in the following reports was taken directly from Sanibel Police Department records.

A Harbor Lane resident reported the theft of a color television, stereo speakers, a chainsaw and fishing gear from his home on Friday, Nov. 13.

The resident told police he had returned to Sanibel for the winter when he noticed the items missing.

Two tires on a car in the Gallery Motel parking lot were slashed early Friday evening, Nov. 13. Value of the tires was placed at \$289.

Police continued their investigation last week regarding an incident Friday night, Nov. 13, in the MCT parking lot. A rented Datsun station wagon sustained minor damage when it was turned on its right side in the parking lot. A second car was also

slightly damaged when the Datsun was turned over.

A safe worth \$75 and \$500 in cash was reported stolen from the Santiva Mini Mart early Saturday morning, Nov. 14. A plate glass window in front of the store valued at \$206 was broken in the incident.

A West Gulf Drive resident reported someone was throwing eggs at passing cars on Periwinkle Way near the Harbor House restaurant Saturday night, Nov. 14.

A Shell Island Beach Club III resident reported the tables and umbrellas were thrown into the swimming pool Tuesday morning, Nov. 17. The incident happened between 1 a.m. and 8 a.m.

The telephone wires were cut at a Dinkins Lake Road home Tuesday afternoon, Nov. 17.

Employees at The Rait Box on Periwinkle Way reported a \$68 live bait bait-aver bucket was taken from outside the front door of the store sometime between 7 a.m. and 8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 19.

Police asked two solicitors to leave the parking lot in front of Rait's on Thursday afternoon, Nov. 19. Both solicitors were residents of Cape Coral and were working for the Captran interval program.

Police cited a Chicago III resident for failure to use the bike path Thursday, morning, Nov. 19.

Two Lighthouse Way residents reported hearing gun shots from a vacant house at the corner of Periwinkle Way and Lighthouse Way late Thursday night, Nov. 19.

Police searched the area around a house

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## Island Lifestyles PRE-SEASON SHOPPING LIST

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Sand Pointe	275 Up	650 Up
Sanibel Arms	250 Up	550 Up
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# Portrait

## Emily Barefield



**Age:** 66

**Roots:** New England -- town meeting country, specifically Connecticut, Florida for the past 36 years

**Pleasures:** Birdwatching, beach walking, swimming

**Last Book Read:** Watership Down by Richard Adams

**Mentor(s):** Gerontologist Marvin Schreiber and former Sanibel Mayor Zee Butler

**Wish:** 'That the White House Conference on Aging will result in clear-cut recommendations that will be carried out so people in our country won't have to grow old with the fear of being poor and alone.'

**Words of Wisdom:** "Try not to judge an individual or group of people until you really know where they are coming from, or, as the saying goes, before you have walked a mile in the other man's moccasins"

By Cindy Chalmers  
 Photos by David Meardon

At an energetic 66 Emily Barefield is 'coming of age' gracefully and with gusto. I didn't suddenly wake up one morning and find myself an elder person, she says. Growing old takes a long time.

And it helps to have worked in the field (of growing old) before actually joining the field, she adds. Emily knows in addition to having first-hand experience at growing old in America. Emily has made aging her business for the past 15 years. As a result of her work in the field she was appointed last summer to serve on the Southwest Florida delegation of the upcoming White House Conference on Aging.

The conference is slated for Nov. 29 through Dec. 3 and will be similar to the one Emily attended 10 years ago. I have a personal stake in this now, though, she says, adding that she hopes the conference will produce clear-cut recommendations to help the government attend to the elderly with more efficiency and effectiveness.

Emily's interest in aging began almost by accident 15 years ago when she was asked to work as the administrative assistant to the director of a low-cost meal program for the elderly in Dade County.

Had spent many years as a mother and a housewife and a pillar of the League of Women Voters, she says, adding that it was probably her "political savvy" that lead to the position.

When funding ran out for the low-cost meals program Emily's interest in the elderly continued. She joined the national staff of the National Retired Teachers Association and the American Association of Retired Persons as a regional representative for the state of Florida.

Emily retired last year to Sanibel and quickly became involved in numerous community activities with younger islanders as well as with her retired peers whom she says are particularly delightful elderly people who had the good judgment to retire here.

Her interests on the island range from the Below Market Rate Housing Committee to the Sanibel Congregational Church to The Audubon Society to the Barrier Island Group for the Arts.

Emily Barefield hardly fits the stereotypical doddering forgetful elderly American stereotype that she says is only partly true.

"The elderly come in all shapes and sizes and political persuasions," she says. "If you've always been an activist, chances are you will stay that way as you grow old. If you've always been content to watch television and drink beer, then you'll probably grow old doing just that."

"But I don't feel at all like an older person," she says. "Call me what you want - senior citizen or golden age. I don't get hung up on labels. She simply does what comes naturally."





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### Police Beat from page 14 A

under construction and found five spent 25 cal shells at the corner of Lagoon Drive and Periwinkle Way.  
Police could find no point of impact for the bullets. Police dogs also searched the area for suspects.

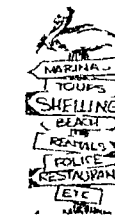
A Fort Myers man was charged with failure to report an accident and careless driving after a two-car accident at the corner of Palm Ridge Road and Periwinkle Way on Monday evening Nov. 16.  
Andrew Brian Blakley Fort Myers struck the rear of a car driven by a Perrysburg, Ohio resident as it was stopped at the intersection.

Blakley then left the scene and was stopped shortly after by Sanibel police. Police estimated there was \$125 damage to the Ohio car.

A Sanibel woman was charged with failure to report an accident following a two-car collision at the intersection of Periwinkle Way and Doxas Street on Tuesday evening Nov. 17.  
Joy Mulford Walker was preparing to turn left on to Periwinkle from Doxas when she struck the left side of a car driven by a Sullivan, Ill. resident.  
Ms. Walker drove away from the scene and contacted police the next day. Police

estimated \$150 to Ms. Walker's 1977 Oldsmobile and \$600 to the Illinois Mercedes Benz.

No charges were filed in a two-car accident on Causeway Road near Sextant Drive on Thursday afternoon Nov. 19.  
Fort Myers resident Loren Smith Powell struck the rear of a car driven by Michael Fama of Englishtown, N.J. as Fama slowed to turn left off of Causeway Road. Police estimated \$240 damage to Ms. Powell's 1981 Datsun and \$25 damage to Fama's 1978 Cadillac.



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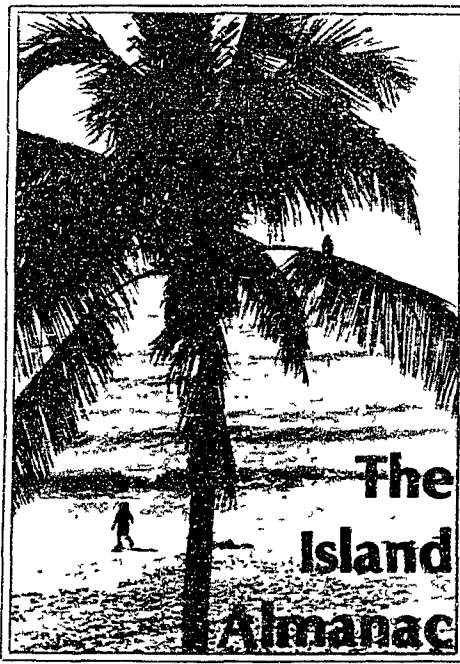
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**OBSERVATION TOWERS**  
The Bay Tract at the J. M. "Doc" Phillips Sanctuary located one fourth of a mile from Tarpon Bay Road offers a bird's eye view of Parrotcove Way.

**Captain's Table Restaurant**  
141 Parrotcove Way

**SANIBEL CAPTIVA CONSERVATION FOUNDATION**  
Sanibel Captiva Road (47) 2377

Dedicated to the preservation of vegetation and wildlife on the island, the foundation offers many exhibits and nature tours. Open 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. scheduled guided tours are offered.

## Galleries

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**Artists Shop Harbor Village** 287 West Gulf Drive (47) 2175  
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**The Captiva Gallery of the Tarpon Bay Road** 1475 A Parrotcove Way (47) 2441  
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**The Pelmet's Art Gallery** 1554 Parrotcove Way (47) 2777  
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**The Seaside Art Gallery** Parrotcove Way near the Lighthouse Restaurant  
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**Schaeffer's Gallery** Tarpon Bay Road (47) 1193  
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Labels Gallery artist working on a sculpture.



Artists Shop Harbor Village artist working on a sculpture.

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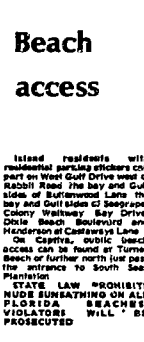
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Island residents with restricted access can find beach access at the Sanibel Captiva Road and the Gulf of Mexico. The beach is open to the public 7 days a week. The beach is open to the public 7 days a week. The beach is open to the public 7 days a week.



Beach access for island residents.

## Bait, Tackle, Gear

**Bait, Tackle, Gear**  
Bait, tackle, gear for fishing. Call for information.

## Nature Guides

**Nature Guides**  
Offering bird tours of the island. Call for information.



Nature guide leading a boat tour.

## Shopping

**Shopping**  
Sanibel is a veritable shopping mecca. From the Lighthouse to the Tarpon Bay Road, there are many shops to visit. The shops offer a variety of goods, from art to clothing. The shops offer a variety of goods, from art to clothing. The shops offer a variety of goods, from art to clothing.



Person in a shop.

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**Fishing, shelling, sightseeing, sailing, and charter trips**  
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People on a boat.

## Medicine and Surgery

**MEDICINE AND SURGERY**  
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## Churches

**Churches**  
List of churches and their services.



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of Wildlife: 473-3664, emergency  
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**DISASTER ALERT**  
Radio Station WRCC, 161.9 FM, broadcasts details of any emergency such as hurricane alert or any other disaster occurrence that might affect Sanibel or Captiva.



**SHELLING**  
The city's resolution limiting the taking of live shells to two live snail per species per person is one to be scrupulously obeyed. As a matter of fact, in order to preserve Sanibel's beautiful shelling beaches, most collectors refuse to take any live snail whatsoever.

**CAMPING, BEACH FIRES**  
Camping on the beach is prohibited, as are open beach fires.

An exemption to the beach fire ordinance is a fire in an approved cooking container (not to exceed 48"X36"X12") deep with an enclosed metal grill for non-commercial food preparation. This type of container will be allowed on the beach without a permit.

After you have had your beach party, it is recommended that you assume the responsibility for cleaning up any debris or other litter you are.



**DOGGY DO'S AND DON'TS**

If you are visiting Sanibel with the family Fido in tow, all the better. All family members can enjoy Southwest Florida sun and surf.

The Chamber of Commerce can tell you what accommodations are available for families with pets.

Remember: Wherever you are, clean up after your pet! "Leave nothing on the beach but footprints" applies to dogs, too.

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**PUBLIC REST ROOMS**  
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Tennis Beach At Bird's Nest between Sanibel and Captiva  
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**LIBRARIES**  
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Bank of the Islands Branch Office  
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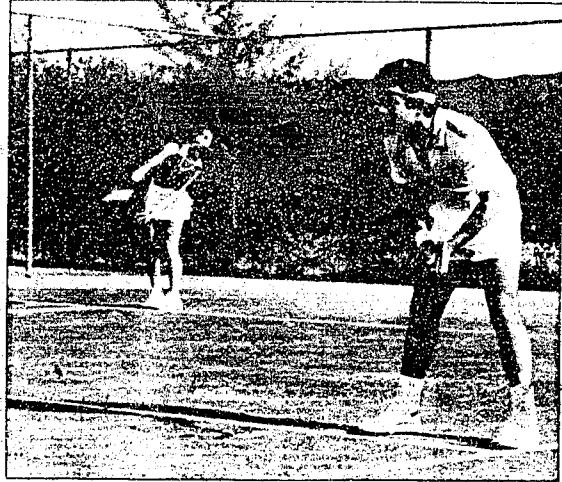
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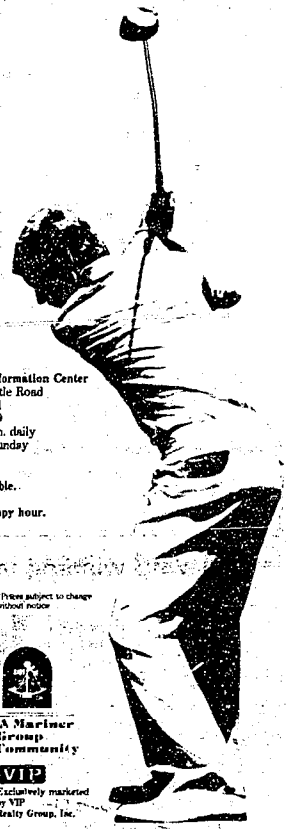
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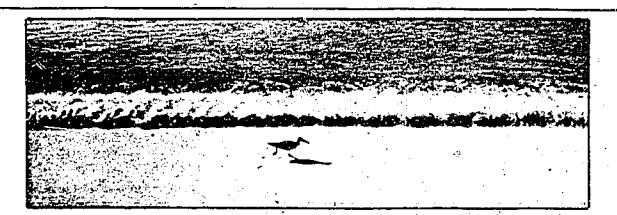
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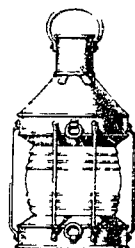


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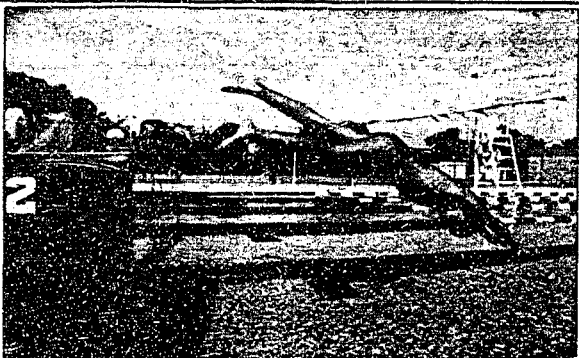


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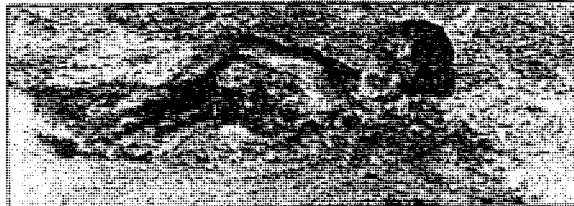
Gabe Palmer, poised and ready...



...dives into the water in Friday's swim meet.



Gold medalist (left) celebrates with victory.



Strong swimmer breaks through the water.



Swimmers get set for backstroke competition.

# Swimming!

Youngsters brave brisk waters in spirited competition

"Brrr. It's freezing!"  
 "It feels like ice cream!"  
 Swimmers on the Saribel Water Attack Team braved cool water temperatures (71 degrees) in a swimming competition at the pool Friday. Perhaps spurred by the chilly waters, the gold team edged the blue team in intense competition.

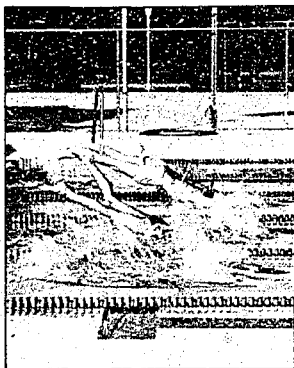
Dick Noon and June Muesch, who have worked with the youngsters all season, supervised the event and providing coaching and inspiration to all swimmers. With the help of several parents who volunteered to help out with timekeeping, the meet was smooth and spirited.

Swimmers competed against each other in freestyle, backstroke, butterfly and breaststroke races and were ranked according to ability in the co-ed meet.

Swimmers competed against each other in freestyle, backstroke, butterfly, breaststroke and individual medley and were ranked according to age and ability. The meet was the last of this season for SWAT.

There were no losers on Friday's competition, as all competitors went away with a ribbon for their efforts.

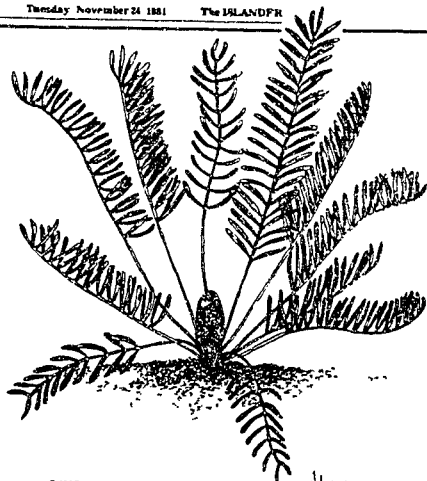
## of Friday's competition



On your marks, get set, splash!

By David Meardon





CYCARACEAE  
Zamia Floridae

Natural histories

## Once common, now rare

By George Campbell  
Illustrated by Ann Winterbottom  
A once common and very intriguing plant of Sanibel and many of South Florida's hammocks, Indian middens and high lands was the Coonti *Zamia floridana*. This primitive plant that has the appearance of a palm is a member of an ancient plant group Cycadaceae. It is no longer common on Sanibel but a few can still be found and native plant enthusiasts are making a valiant effort to restore the species in its former ridge habitat. Cayo Costa still has a strong natural colony. There is another near Mico's Corner an over-developed place and a strange one to harbor a rare wild thing such as Coonti.

Coonti is a corruption of Coonti Heteke the Seminole term for the bread made from starchey flour extracted by grating the Coonti's potato-like tuberous underground stem structure. Coonti sometimes called Florida

Arrowroot has two-foot-long planately compound feathery leaves that are very much like some palm leaves.

The plant and its cycad relatives look so much like palms that some are called by that name - notably the Sago. Palm commonly grown as an exotic ornamental on Sanibel.

But cycads in spite of superficial appearance are not even distantly related to palms. They are Gymnosperms, like the pines and other conifers. In fact our Coonti and all other cycads reproduce like pines by means of male pollen-bearing cones (strobili) and female seed bearing structures that look a whole lot like real pine cones but are botanically known as ovulate strobili (which in fact is also the correct name for pine cones). Cycads are dioecious which is to say that male and female parts are borne on different plants. This ancient primitive plant group can

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## primitive Coonti plant on Sanibel

tributed to coal deposits. It is not uncommon to find cycad fossil impressions in coal seams. In fact such fossils have aided greatly in establishing the cycade in their proper primitive classification for some such fossils pre-date the appearance of the modern flowering plants or Angiosperms. Individual cycads live a very long time. Two potted members of the African genus *Encephalartos* are growing today in the Palm House at the Royal Botanical Garden at Kew. One was potted a couple of years before the American Revolution the other during that war.

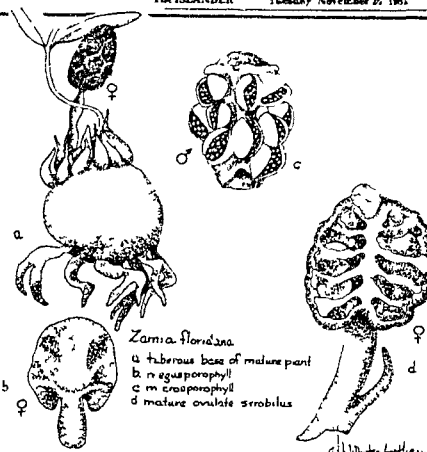
I wish these specimens often to check up on them for Kew near London is one of my favorite places in the world. At last in specimen both were still growing vigorously. One of the two is the only living member of its otherwise extinct species.

The underground stem of Coonti sometimes incorrectly referred to in the

literature as rootstock is the source of Indian bread. Grating and washing the flour is necessary to render the material free of the poison Cycasin which can kill. Cycasin is found in the leaves as well as the tuber but leaf toxin is important only to stockmen for cattle sometimes eat the leaves. The resulting illness which causes a cow to stagger drunkenly is called "wobblers" and is permanent.

The inch-long bright orange seeds also contain the toxin. Some *Zamia* seeds are detoxified by Indians in South America and ground into edible flour. This did not seem to be a practice of Florida Indians.

*Zamia* may be safely grown on Sanibel and should be for it in part of our natural and cultural heritage. All that is necessary is to observe a few precautions suggested by the above comments. After all, nearly every garden has many much more dangerously toxic plants. Geraniums anyone?

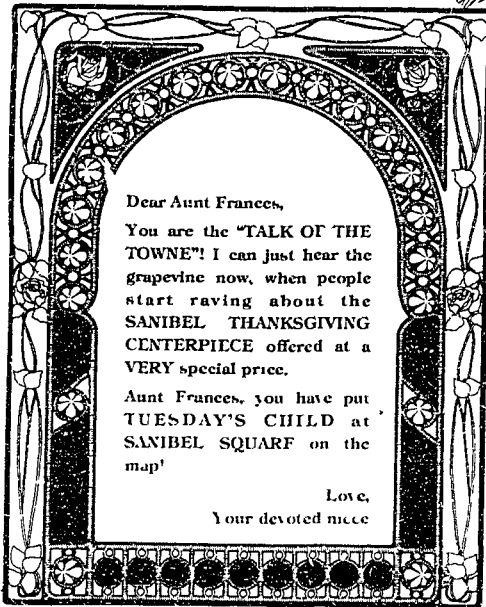


*Zamia floridana*

- a. tuberous base of mature plant
- b. egg-shaped ovule
- c. male cone (strobilus)
- d. mature ovulate strobilus

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## Coming Attractions

### Censorship discussion tonight

This evening at 8 p.m. the Universalist study group of Sanibel and Captiva will discuss censorship of books. The meeting will be held in the north room of the Community Association. The discussion will be open to any interested persons.

Discussion leaders Helen and Bill Webb point out that this is currently a local issue. People in Lee County are trying to restrict access to certain books in school libraries. Among the books listed are such works as *Soul on Ice*, *Grapes of Wrath* and *Laughing Boy*.

A basic question is whether such a restriction is a loss of freedom guaranteed by the First Amendment. Persons who want to restrict access believe that parents must have the right to oversee the reading material of their children.

### Arts and crafts fair scheduled

The Eleventh Annual Arts and Crafts Fair to benefit the Sanibel Public Library will be held at the Community House on Feb. 1 and 2. Craftsmen and artists from Sanibel and Captiva are already at work preparing to exhibit and sell at this event.

The organizing committee under the general chairmanship of Mary Ellen and Bob Sigrist is as follows: Bob Haynie, Norwood Melcher, Marguerite Williamson, John Williamson, Marge Hagerup, Urban Palmer, Billie Elder, Evelyn Klein, Mike Klein, Lena Salemi, Bob Potts, Patay Simmons, Penny Rogers, Alice Kylo, Doc Simmons and Ruth Searling.

The fair will include a book sale and a raffle.

## Environmental planner to speak

Sanibel's growing problem of adequate waste disposal will be discussed by Inesh Sharma, well-known environmental planner, at the annual meeting of the Committee of the Islands (COTI) on Wednesday, Dec. 2. The meeting is scheduled for 10 a.m. at the Sanibel Community Association building.

In conjunction with the review of the City's Comprehensive Land Use Plan, Sharma, as a consultant to the City Planning Commission, is presently studying the effect of the island's patchwork of various sewage units on the environment.

Sharma was invited to speak at the COTI Annual Meeting in accordance with the politically-oriented group's objectives to study and keep citizens informed about local issues.

In addition to the featured speaker, the meeting's agenda includes annual reports of COTI's officers and committees.

Five members of the Board of Directors will be elected. Newly nominated for the positions are Herbert Hastings Foster Jr. and June Irwin Mary Wegmuller, Dr. Carl Wagner and Conrad Lickell, who are completing their first terms on the board, are nominated for re-election. Biographical

sketches of the nominees and profiles have been mailed to all COTI members.

Those persons consulting on the board for 1982 are Orla Vee, David Davenport, George Hoyt, Mary Lou Husker, Fred Metcalfe, Dr. Allen Miller and Henry Shelton James Irwin. Lillian Waterhouse, Caroline Boehm and Mike Friedmann are retiring from the Board.

### ERA meeting

All persons interested in the Florida Legislature's ratification of the Equal Rights Amendment are urged to attend a strategy planning meeting at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 30, at the Sanibel Community Association.

Cathy Murphy, president of the Fort Myers chapter of the National Organization of Women, and Carol Sutton, secretary-treasurer, will be the main speakers.

For further information, please contact Louise Johnson, 472-5575, or Peggy Fuller, 472-2387.

## Coming Saturday: The Second Annual BIG Arts and Crafts Festival

The Second Annual Arts & Crafts Festival co-sponsored by the Barrier Island Group for the Arts and the Bank of the Islands will take place on Saturday, Nov. 28 from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. on the grounds of the Sanibel Community Center on Periwinkle Way.

Under the big tent, there will be displays of the best of arts and crafts by resident island artisans and by special invited guest artists and craftsmen. Included will be pottery, sculpture (metal and fabric), paintings, stained glass, trapezoids, baskets, wood carvings, books, lamps, quilts and more. The creators of the work will be present throughout the day. Exhibits close at 8 p.m.

Returning by popular demand will be the Little Bits bluegrass band. And again, the gourmet refreshment tent will be open all day, serving wine and beer as well as those unusual food treats which were an early sellout last year. A much larger stock has been ordered for this year's event.

The BIG Arts Festival is well on its way to becoming one of the best in the area. The goal is quality rather than quantity, and early Christmas shoppers will find a wealth of unique items from which to choose.

Remember the date Saturday, Nov. 28, from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. on the grounds of the Community Center, Periwinkle Way. Admission is \$1. Ample free parking. Call 472-4260 for further information.

## Ceramic miniatures at festival

BIG Arts member Jo Kohn has been a participant in numerous craft fairs on Sanibel as well as in her home town, Baltimore.

This year at the BIG Arts Second Annual Arts & Crafts Festival, Jo will display ceramic miniatures, which she has been creating over the past year or so.

These charming miniatures are replicas of her large pots and are made to a scale of one inch to one foot. Included are wall mirrors, wine briques, hanging clay baskets with macrame flower pots and shell trays. Jo's grandchildren, with their interest in doll houses, have been the inspiration for these precise scale mini-pots.

The main attraction of Jo's display will be

a scale model room built by Louis Kohn, Jo's husband. This one inch to one foot scale room is a meticulously furnished and lighted reproduction of Jo's own studio.

It is complete with yellow formica cabinets, butcher block work surface, potter's wheel, shelves, damp box, electric kiln with peep holes and plugs, all fashioned and manufactured by Louis. The sink of the counter area is a grape jelly container from breakfast at Duncan's.

Jo Kohn outfitted the model shop with clay props that include miniature jars with lids for her chemicals to make glazes, garbage containers for wet clay, small scale tools and sponges so that any mini-potter would enjoy working with this equipment.



The scale model of Jo Kohn's pottery studio, left, crafted by her husband, Louis, will be on display at this Saturday's BIG Arts Second Annual Arts and Crafts Festival.



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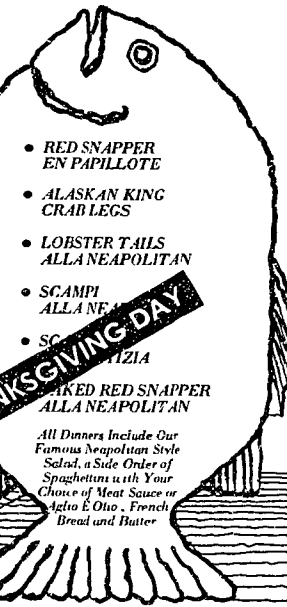
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### Levy elected new BIG Arts head

Nearly one hundred members of the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation (SCCF) gathered for the annual meeting dinner and election of officers at the Community Center Thursday night, Nov. 19.

Jim Levy was nominated and elected the new president of the Board of Advisors. The remaining slate of officers elected includes Marty Graessner vice-president, Alice Anders secretary, Fran Levy and Art Johnson co-treasurers. Additional new members elected to the board are Jim Levy, Art Johnson and Donna Kragan.

Tri-butes were paid to outgoing BIG Arts President Peter Smith for his leadership, hard work and devotion to establishing the BIG Arts cultural effort on the islands. A graphic fly rod was presented him in appreciation for a job well done.

Smith in his remarks as retiring president made a plea for better attendance at the events brought to the Islands. Superior artists deserve to be heard by a wider segment of our population by adding that it is not enough to pay dues and talk of wanting cultural events. They must be supported by audience attendance he urged.

Donna Kragan received an ovation for the fine party and her past hard work. The next BIG Arts performance scheduled is by mime Peter Driscoll on Saturday, Dec. 12.

The public is welcome to all events and is encouraged to join BIG Arts. Alice Anders is membership chairman. For further information contact her at 472-6797.

### Lions Club supports charities

By D. F. Supperli

The regular meeting of the Sanibel Captiva Lions Club was held on Nov. 18 at the Sanibel Community Center.

The secretary delivered a report on the recent meeting of Southwest Florida clubs that was held at the Florida Lions Camp for the Visually Handicapped at Lake Wales. Five representatives of the club and its auxiliary attended and heard reports of the status of those charitable projects supported by Florida Lions.

A request by the camp for bedspreads was made and the Sanibel-Captiva club responded with a donation of 52 spreads. These were spreads that can also be used as coverlets. They will be delivered by a delegation from the club in the near future.

Lions Cook and Rogers reported the success of the two recent Bloodmobile visits with the collection of over 50 units to be added to the Lions account for the use of islanders. Lions and people employed on the islands.

Leon Bert Jenks reported a profit of over \$500 at the recent plant sale and Lion Luthrop Wilington asked for more assistance for the coming Thanksgiving Turkey Shoot at Bailey's Store.

Roy Wesson of the United Telephone System gave an informative talk on the improvement being planned by the phone system and said many of the phones in use now can be installed by the owner without paying an installation fee to the company.

President Fred Comlosay announced that there would be an induction of new members at the next meeting which will be at the Sanibel Community Building on Dec. 2 at 6:30 p.m.

### Conservation Foundation talk to focus on Pine Island Sound

Today's Tuesday at the Center program at the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation will focus on the Archeology of Pine Island Sound.

Nine-year Sanibel resident Dr. Charles Wilson will discuss the nature and significance of the many prehistoric sites in the area, including the Wightman site on Sanibel. Wilson will also discuss the Calusa Indians from historical times and present evidence of much earlier aboriginal occupation of the islands.

Wilson is a graduate of Yale University and has a doctorate in anthropology from Columbia University.

Next week's Tuesdays at the Center will feature environmental planner, Diarsh Sharma who will deliver a slide presentation about hazard mitigation and the lessons learned from last year's Hurricane Frederick and Dauphin Island.

Tuesdays at the Center programs begin promptly at 2 p.m. each Tuesday at the conservation center on San-Cap Road. The programs are free to foundation members and \$1 for others. Seating is limited.

November	34	Archeology
December	1	Barrier Islands
December	8	Birds - nesting
December	15	Birds - Roseate and Wading
January	5	Brazilian pepper
January	12	Butterflies
January	19	Calusa Indians
January	26	Fish and Fishing
February	2	Cave
February	9	CROW
February	16	Gopher tortoises
February	23	Ospreys
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## Book report from the Sanibel Library

By Harriet Howe

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In the beginning Spring Moon, the main character, is a child of six or seven, daughter of an ancient scholarly clan. She lives in a China in the throes of transition - The Boxer Rebellion, the Revolution and finally the Communist take-over.

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Playboy's Investment & Financial Planning (guide for Singles by Sidney Rubberg). An up-to-the-minute guide to all types of investment for single people for whom the rules apparently are unique. The chapters include budgeting, the stock market, art and collectibles, tax shelters, estate planning and more.

Eminent Victorian Women by Elizabeth Longford. A look into the lives of 11 Victorian women seeking to break the bond of the social mores of the era.

The book follows the three Bronte sisters Mary Ann Evans who as a novelist assumed the name George Eliot, Florence Nightingale who battled censure to become a nurse, Ellen Terry the actress, Harriet Beecher Stowe and others less well known today all struggling for the right to achieve and be recognized.



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## Grand opening introduces 'new' Tuesday's Child

The redecorated and expanded Tuesday's Child florist and garden center celebrated its grand opening on Sunday Nov. 22. Celli Williams, owner-manager of the shop on Periwinkle Way, will soon be performing notary weddings in a special corner of the shop for couples who want an alternative to a church wedding.

Islanders and other friends viewed the wedding corner decorated with silk flowers and bridal bouquets on Sunday afternoon and evening. The corner includes a small pedestal for the wedding couple and resembles a garden gazebo.

Mrs. Williams said the idea for the wedding corner started after several people walked into the shop and announced that

they planned to be married within the hour and said they needed bridal bouquets.

Some of the weddings were planned to take place right in Sanibel beaches, she said. Fortunately it is the romantic notion of being married on a tropical island she added. And one couldn't find a more romantic place than Sanibel.

Tuesday's Child wants to offer something the couple will always remember, she said, adding that the shop will also provide wedding invitations if necessary.

Another change in Tuesday's Child for the coming season is the addition of a new section of the shop called Aunt Frances Corner, which is named after Celli's aunt, Mariam Baptiste, who has 15 years ex-

perience as a floral designer. She joined the staff at Tuesday's Child and will manage Aunt Frances Corner.

Aunt Frances Corner will handle all the cut flowers, floral centerpieces, holiday decorations and the complete wedding arrangements.

Tuesday's Child has a so-called small selection of antiques to add to the feeling of nostalgia. The gift line includes pottery by local artists, baskets, brass copper and much more. The shop will continue to carry exotic plants and plants to add a complete line of fresh herbs.



## A touch of Sanibel Pottery grand opening planned

A studio tour and grand opening of A Touch of Sanibel Pottery are planned for this Friday and Saturday, Nov. 27 and 28, at the shop on Periwinkle Way.

Owners Barbara and Dave Hoggatt bought the Wheel Pottery works last summer from long-time island potter Mark Heilmann and renamed the shop A Touch of Sanibel Pottery. The shop has been open for five weeks.

The Hoggatts have a similar studio-shop in Alabama, but say they plan to spend most of the time on Sanibel. Both Hoggatts are self-taught potters and have been working in the art for eight years. Most of their pieces are functional and utilitarian, although the studio does include some sculptures.

Island residents and visitors are invited to meet the Hoggatts for wine and cheese and tour A Touch of Sanibel Pottery this Friday, Nov. 27, from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Saturday, Nov. 28, from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. The shop's regular hours are from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday.



## Gulfside Realty opens Captiva branch

James Osborne, president of Gulfside Realty Inc., announced the opening of the firm's Captiva Island branch office last week.

By having an office on Captiva Island, we will be much more able to provide our Captiva clients with fast professional service, Osborne said. This market is growing rapidly and we want to be prepared to provide clients with the information they need.

Osborne also announced the appointment of Kathi Barry as office manager for the Captiva branch.

The office is on Andy Rose Lane and will be staffed seven days a week. Ribbon-cutting ceremonies were held last Monday morning.



## Kappy's Too furniture shop opens

Universally renowned interior designer Kappy King Cole, A.S.I.D., recently announced the opening of her specialty furnishings shop Kappy's Too at 1035D Periwinkle Way.

The shop features distinctive furniture pieces and accessories complementing a full line of interior furnishings.

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## Support Reagan, banker urges

By Peggy Dalry  
Charles Baker, attorney president of the First Six of Banks of Miami, and also president of the Florida Bankers Association held a press conference and meeting for area bankers and the media at the Sundial Beach and Tennis Club last Tuesday.

"At the gathering Baker urged strong and wholehearted support for President Reagan's economic recovery program. Baker estimated that while interest rates would never go down to 1976 levels again they would stabilize out in three or four quarters at around 14 percent or 15 percent. The banker said his advice to potential investors would be to 'stay very liquid.' He said he would not invest in real estate unless it could be developed and added that commodities such as art and jewelry in a steadily favored by investors in the last three or four years are now considered poor risks.

Baker said he felt the approximately 60 million workers earning the minimum wage (\$3.35 an hour) would begin to see the benefits of the president's program in three or four quarters. But he added the economic situation in our country cannot be turned

around in four years. Baker said he personally did not believe in a federal minimum wage law because it is so tied to inflation it does not really help anyone. Jim Hermes, president of the Bank of the Islands later commented that the Islands are somewhat separated from the problems of the Miami area and the eastern part of the state.

About 50 percent of the people who buy condominiums and dwellings here Hermes explained have the money to buy them outright and don't need to finance a long term single dwelling mortgage. Baker had said the most crucial aspect of the entire economic crisis is making mortgage loans available to people who want to buy a home.

Hermes also stated that since the economic crisis has been building since around 1972, it would take some time to straighten it out. One notable aspect of the meeting was the unanimity with which all the bankers agreed that Reagan was trying his best and although people saw they were feeling the crunch, they will sooner or later feel the benefits of his economic recovery program.



Maureen and Holger Smitt, right and center receive a certificate of appreciation from the Israeli Minister of Tourism in Israel.

## Smitts receive achievement award

Maureen and Holger Smitt of Maureen's Travel Inc. were the recipients of a certificate of achievement from Abraham Sharr, Israel Minister of Tourism during the fairwell banquet of the Association of Retail Travel Agents Annual International Conference held in Israel Oct. 22-26.

The conference which featured extensive educational workshops on the future of European tourism, Mediterranean cruising and travel by the handicapped as well as

marketing seminars in Israel and visits in spots of Jerusalem, the Galilee and Tel Aviv was attended by 220 retail travel agents from across the United States. The Association of Retail Travel Agents is a national organization composed of more than 1,800 individually owned travel agencies and 1,200 travel counselors.

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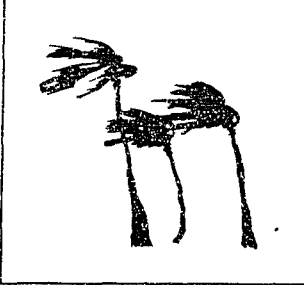
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**Photography**  
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 The gallery on Periwinkle Way is open from 11 am to 4 pm Tuesday through Saturday.

**Wood sculptures**  
 A special introduction to the wood sculptures of Mike Malone is on exhibit this month at the La Belle Gallery in the French Quarter on Periwinkle Way. Malone's work is a study of the dynamics of woodgrain and should be considered wood sculpture rather than wood carving. The gallery is open Tuesday through Sunday from 11:30 am to 3:30 pm and from 5:30 to 10 pm.

**Art show awards**  
 The Sanibel Arts League juried show opened Sunday, Nov. 22, at the Capita Community Center and awards were presented.  
 First place was presented to Dorothy Ring for her large acrylic called *Blue Room*.  
 Second place to Carolyn Pickett for her watercolor *Flowers*. Third place to Sally Lecroix for a watercolor *Stratified*.  
 Four merit awards were presented to the following: Cele Fox for *News Break*, Mary Faulkner for *Staghorn*, Barbara Taylor for *Reflect* and Dr. John Karabla for *Clouds*.  
 Honorable mentions went to Peg Harvard. All the Comforts of Home, Frank M. Westad for *Unencumbered*, E. W. Schrader *Summer Pool* and Betty M. Schack *Winter Remembered*.  
 The show will continue through Sunday, Nov. 29, except for Tuesday, Nov. 24 and Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 26.

**Seeking artists**  
 Labels Gallery manager Donna Wampler is receiving portfolios of original oil paintings, watercolors, metal and wood sculptures in search of new talent through November.  
 The gallery which is on the second floor of the French Quarter building on Periwinkle Way is open from 11:30 am to 3:30 pm and from 5:30 to 10 pm Tuesday through Sunday. For more information call 472-4461.

## Sanibel in Full Color Local author expresses thanks in poetry

By Catherine Battista

God did I remember to thank you today?  
 Did I thank you for the memories of an old friend  
 For the happy face of her children down the shore  
 O for a *travels* hello and a few gracious words  
 words or the neighbors I chance to meet  
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Color her good friend neighbor mother and volunteer  
 Color her a woman of many talents, artistic and sensitive to the beauty of our world.  
 Color her: Marlam Baptist author of *Sanibel in Full Color*.  
 One of the great serendipities in life is to meet a special person whom you instantly feel understands you and is on your wavelength.  
 A kind of mystical relationship is established. That is the kind of person Marlam Baptist is.

Glancing through *Sanibel in Full Color* and seeing Sanibel through Marlam's eyes tells you she has had a love affair with an island. She also seems to have the compassion of an old friend. She expresses things that often go unexpressed feelings that lie deep inside each of us.

Marlam exhibits the ability to look beyond the scared child that is in each of us when she says:  
 I feel awfully small and useless this evening  
 I look around me at the magnitude of your creations and wonder how a little speck of life like myself fits into your plan  
 I sometimes feel like a lonely ship on the sea tossed by life but riding out the storm to the calm again

Everyone young or old has a need to be known and understood, she says. It is that philosophy that has helped Marlam make her own dream come true - a dream of helping troubled children find their way from hopelessness to inner confidence.  
 She has helped many frightened children discover a sense of worth knowing that someone really cares and is ready to help.  
 Marlam is the natural mother of four children and the mother of one adopted child. Besides her own five children she has been a foster mother to 40 children. She proudly boasts of 11 grandchildren.  
 Foster children are often troubled and emotionally scarred, she says. But she has a conviction that youngsters who have been hurt in spirit can find a new climate in life.

"With the proper guidance and caring she says, 'Troubled children can eventually voice their feelings with the words I can do it. I am worth something. Maybe I can make it.'  
 I merely opened pathways for these youngsters and tried to bring out the best that is in each of them," she says.  
 Marlam no longer hears the patter of little feet around her house, but she often receives phone calls or letters from all of her children, many of whom are leading full and productive lives and some of whom were able to return to their own families.  
 Perhaps it was her own children she had in mind when Marlam wrote:

Memories are precious and fragile  
 Jewels  
 Strung on the days of living  
 Each moment that is spent together  
 Is a time of sharing and giving

Although Marlam does not plan to have any more foster children, she does volunteer her time to the Lee County Mental Health Center. "There are so many children who need all the help they can get," she says. "Perhaps I can still contribute something. I have so much to be thankful for," she says. "I am very fortunate to be able to

spend my time doing the things I enjoy.  
 She is the mate and shelling guide on the perry boat *The Island Belle*. I love that job because I really feel part of nature when I am on the water," she says.  
 Marlam is happiest though when her hands are full of potting soil and she is working at Tuesday's Child as a floral designer. At which she has 15 years experience before coming to Sanibel in 1976.  
 Perhaps Marlam's more unique quality is her ability to make other people thankful through the realization that we cannot change yesterday for it is already gone. And sure tomorrow is the future and we know not what it brings, then today is the day that we are truly living.  
 And with each new day Marlam says:  
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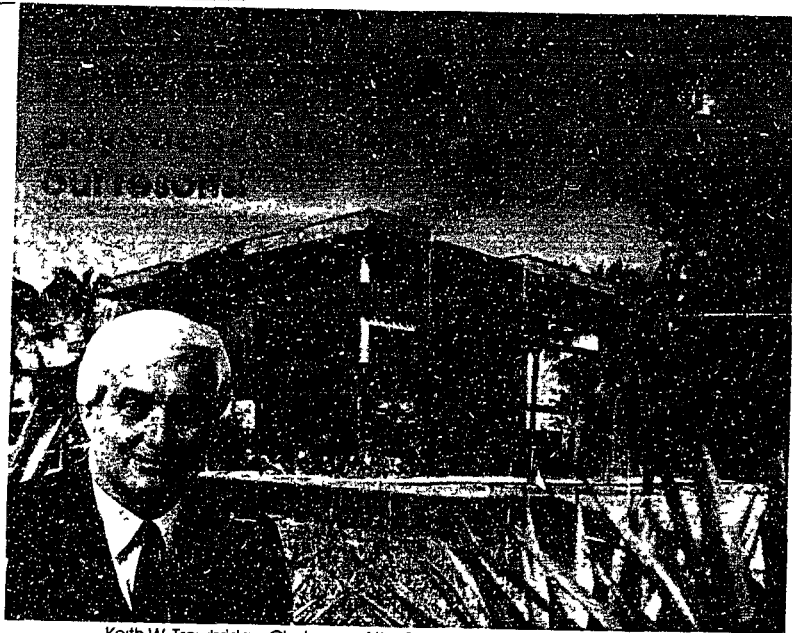
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# To The Islands

# Holiday Calendar



We know it's not even Thanksgiving yet, but to give you some ideas about what's in store for the Island Christmas season, we've put together this special supplement to The Islander. Included are gift ideas, church schedules, Christmas traditions and memories and a collection of holiday recipe favorites from some of the islands' best cooks. Because it isn't even Thanksgiving yet, many island organizations have not finalized their Christmas program plans and could not be included in this special section. Watch the Islander Coming Attractions section each week through the Christmas season for an update of holiday events.

## Religious Services

<p><b>St. Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church</b> The Rev. James D. B. Hubbs Rector David E. Dodger, M.A. Organist-Chorister Periwinkle Way 472-2173 472-2173 (Annex) Thanksgiving Holy Eucharist 10 a.m. Christmas Eve Holy Eucharist 5, 8 and 11 p.m. Christmas Day Holy Eucharist 10 a.m.</p> <p><b>First Baptist Church</b> Pastor James Sullivan Sanibel-Captiva Road 477-1018 Christmas Eve 7 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Sanibel Community Church</b> The Rev. Bruce E. Milligan Pastor 1740 Periwinkle Way 472-2884 Special Events for the Advent Season Sunday, Nov 29 Communion Sunday, Dec 6 Moravian Love Feast Sunday, Dec 13 Customs and Carols Sunday, Dec 20 Festival of Choirs Christmas Eve Two services 7 p.m. and 9 p.m.</p> <p><b>Sanibel Congregational United Church of Christ</b> At Sunset Carol Sing at The Lighthouse</p> <p><b>Captiva Chapel-By-The-Sea</b> The Rev. James W. Kennedy 472-1646 Christmas Eve 7 p.m. Candlelight-Carol Service</p>	<p><b>St. Isabel's Catholic Church</b> Father Gerard Beauregard Pastor Father Louis Rzezak Assistant Pastor 3550 Sanibel-Captiva Road 472-2743</p> <p>Confessions Dec 22 5:15 to 5:30 p.m. Dec 23 5:15 to 5:30 p.m. 7:30 to 8 p.m. 3 to 4 p.m. Dec 24 10:30 to 11:15 p.m.</p> <p>December 24 Vigil Mass 5:30 p.m. Choir Program 11:30 p.m. Midnight Mass 12 Midnight</p> <p>December 25 Christmas Masses 8:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m. 5:30 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Temple Beth-El</b> Rabbi Frederick Agis 2721 Del Prado Boulevard Cape Coral 574-5115</p> <p>Thanksgiving Inter-faith Service Nov 22 7:30 p.m. The Rev. John Hunt, pastor, First Presbyterian Church will be guest speaker</p> <p>Pre-Chanukah Concert Paul Zim Dec 12 Donation \$8 per ticket Chanukah Latke Party Dec 13 10 to 11:30 a.m. For children of religious school age Optional donation \$1 Chanukah Produce Sell a Thon Dec 13 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Temple parking lot Chanukah Latke Dinner Dec 20 5 p.m. For reservations, contact the Temple office 574-5115</p>
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**Sanibel Community Association Annual Dinner Dance**  
Saturday, Dec 28  
6-10 p.m.  
All Community Association members and their guests are invited to usher in the holidays from 6 to 10 p.m. at the association hall.  
Dinner will be followed by dancing to the music of the local orchestra Sal and his Vibrations.  
Admission is \$3.50. Cash bar. Please bring a tray of hors d'oeuvres.

**Lions-Kiwanis-Community Association 5th Annual Children's Christmas Party**  
Saturday, Dec 18  
3:30-6:30 p.m.  
Island youngsters will kick off the holiday season with free games, food, Santa and a special children's theatre production at the Community Association Hall.  
The Peanut Butter and Jelly Company of the Lee County Children's Theatre will present The Redstart Dragon at 3:30 p.m. followed by games and food until sundown.  
At sundown, the party will move across the street from the hall for the Christmas tree lighting ceremony and carols.  
Santa will arrive via fire truck with candy to bring the party to a close.

**Lions Kiwanis Christmas Dance**  
The Sanibel Community Association Hall  
Saturday, Dec 19  
8 p.m.  
The dance and party will follow the Christmas tree lighting ceremony across the street from the association hall.

**Cypress Lake High School**  
Christmas Vacation - Friday, Dec 18  
Monday, Jan 4

**Sanibel-Captiva Lions Club**  
Annual Christmas Tree Sale  
Across the street from Bailey's  
Begins Sunday, Dec 12. Trees will be on sale through Christmas Eve, Dec 24.

**Sanibel Elementary School**  
Tuesday, Dec 15 7:30-9 p.m. - Parent Teacher Organization meeting with a student Christmas program at the school.  
Friday, Dec 18 - Holiday party for the students.  
Christmas vacation - Friday, Dec 18 - Monday, Jan 4.

**Sanibel-Captiva Audubon Society Annual Christmas Bird Count**  
Saturday, Dec 18  
Members of the Audubon Society and other interested persons are invited to participate in the bird count from dawn to dusk under the direction of Island guide George Weymouth.  
Recorders and counters are needed as well as those who are knowledgeable about area birds and can identify the species seen on Sanibel and Captiva, Pine Island, Upper Captiva Cayo Costa and the Causeway Islands.  
For more information contact Weymouth, 472-4600.

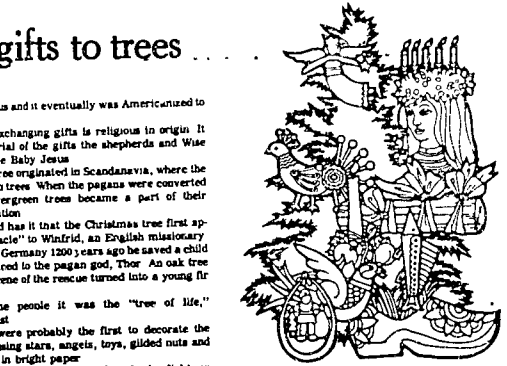
**Children's Center of the Islands**  
Friday, Dec 18, 10:30 a.m. - Christmas party for children and parents. Santa will make an appearance.  
Christmas vacation - Friday, Dec 18 - Monday, Jan 4.

**Canterbury School**  
Monday, Dec 7 - Friday, Dec 18 - Parent Organization toy and clothing drive for items to be donated to the Lee County Children's Home. Drop-off points to be announced later.  
Wednesday, Dec 9, 8:30 p.m. - Drama Department production of Cinderella at Pelican Elementary School in Cape Coral.  
Friday, Dec 11, 10:30 a.m. - Grade 8 Holiday Performance at the Edison Mall.  
Thursday, Dec 17, 7 p.m. - All-School Winter Concert at the Port Myers Congregational Church, 1450 College Park Ave.  
Dates will be announced later for the Christmas Greenery Sale that will be open to the public at the school sometime between Dec 8-11.  
Christmas vacation - Friday, Dec 18 - Monday, Jan 4.

**Cypress Lake Middle School**  
Friday, Dec 4, 7-10 p.m. - Christmas Dancer at the school.  
The week of Dec 7 - Annual Bank Fair at the school.  
Tuesday, Dec 15, 2:45 p.m. - Band Concert at the school.  
Wednesday, Dec 16, 4:45 p.m. - Band Concert at the school.  
Thursday, Dec 17, 2:45 p.m. - Christmas production of Assignment: Christmas Spirit at the school.  
Friday, Dec 18, 4:45 p.m. - Christmas production of Assignment: Christmas Spirit at the school.  
Christmas vacation - Friday, Dec 18 - Monday, Jan 4.

# Christmas traditions from gifts to trees

**By Barbara Brandage**  
Christmas is celebrated on Dec 25 as the birthday of Jesus Christ in Christian countries around the world.  
Newcomers to Sanibel and Captiva frequently complain "it doesn't seem like Christmas without snow."  
Native Floridians often remind transplanted Northerners that the land where Christ was born has scenery and climate very much like this sub-tropical island.  
But most new residents quickly become acclimated to sun and sand, and a swim in the Gulf or a poolside barbecue on Christmas Day are welcome additions to their holiday traditions.  
In Florida as they did in colder climates families and friends exchange gifts, decorate their homes with holly and mistletoe, hang baubles and tinsel on evergreen trees and display Nativity scenes.  
These customs and observances through the years became traditions in many homes without a thought of their origin.  
The word Christmas itself comes from the Early English phrase, *Christe Mass*, which means Christ's Mass.  
The letter "X" in Greek is the first letter of Christ's name. Christmas is sometimes written "Xmas" and this form was used in the early church.  
The exact date of Christ's birth is not known and for many years his birthday was celebrated on different dates.  
A Bishop of Rome in A.D. 354 chose Dec. 25, a date then observed by pagan Romans as the Feast of Saturn (God of the Sun). Christians in Rome on the same day honored Christ as the Light of the World.  
Though Christmas was celebrated strictly as a religious festival for many years, customs unrelated to the church were gradually adopted.  
Santa Claus, who sets the mood of happiness and good cheer of the season, evolved from several symbolic European characters.  
His role as a benevolent gift-giver was patterned chiefly after the Netherlands' St. Nicholas.  
Early Dutch settlers of the New York colony brought the legend to the United States. They changed St. Nicholas' name to Sinter Klaus and it eventually was Americanized to Santa Claus.  
The custom of exchanging gifts is religious in origin. It began as a memorial of the gifts the shepherds and Wise Men brought to the Baby Jesus.  
The Christmas tree originated in Scandinavia, where the pagans worshipped trees. When the pagans were converted to Christianity evergreen trees became a part of their Christmas celebration.  
One early legend has it that the Christmas tree first appeared as a "miracle" to Winifred, an English missionary. While traveling in Germany 1200 years ago he saved a child from being sacrificed to the pagan god, Thor. An oak tree cut down at the scene of the rescue turned into a young fir tree.  
Winifred told the people it was the "tree of life," representing Christ.  
The Germans were probably the first to decorate the Christmas tree, using stars, angels, toys, gilded nuts and candies wrapped in bright paper.  
Martin Luther is credited with the idea of using lights on the holiday tree. Glowing candles represented the glory and beauty of the stars above Bethlehem.  
The Star, universally used as a Christmas symbol, represents the bright star the Wise Men saw in the East and followed to the crib in Bethlehem.  
Mistletoe was considered a charm by ancient Druids, but it is not known how it came to be used as a Christmas decoration or where the custom of "kissing under the mistletoe" originated.  
Exchanging cards at Christmas is a comparatively new custom. In 1843 the first specially designed holiday card was printed in London. The custom was not introduced in the United States until 1875. If postage rates continue to rise many people believe sending cards at Christmas may become obsolete.  
Christmas hymns date back to A.D. 400. Most were written in Latin and were sung by priests as they strolled around their parishes on Christmas Eve.  
St. Francis of Assisi, the founder of the Order of St.



Francis in Italy in 1208, is known as the "Father of Caroling."  
It was he, too, who first used the "Crocche," a miniature Nativity scene, as a Christmas decoration.  
For most people Jan 1, New Year's Day, marks the end of the Christmas season. But for some the holiday season does not officially end until Jan 6, the Feast of the Epiphany or Twelfth Night.  
Roman Catholics and Anglicans celebrate Epiphany or "Little Christmas" to commemorate three events in the life of Christ when his divinity was manifested: the adoration of the Magi, Christ's baptism in Jordan and the first miracle of the wedding feast at Cana.  
Celebrated since the fourth century, Epiphany specially honors the meeting of the Three Wise Men with the Baby Jesus. In some countries doorways are marked with the initials of the Magi to ward off evil.

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# A Dangerous Christmas

By Mike Fuery

It was certainly a Christmas to remember but as the years would pass in my mind I would soften the memory how it comes only as a period to be looked at from a distance but never cherished.

It was 1969 and the place was a small fire base in the central jungle of Vietnam. Bob Hope was coming, we had been told but the Army lived on rumors and with the Viet Cong pushing close to our base it was deemed unsafe to try and make the 20-mile dirt road trip to the base where the Hope show would be given.

The disappointment somehow fit into our mood as the holiday season so far from home approached us that December.

Twelve of us in our small unit worked a 24-hour operation running high altitude observations for large battery guns and the B-52 bombing raids.

The busy schedule working seven days a week made one day much like the next.

Of all the mundane thoughts living in a combat area was becoming routine. You could never get used to the shelling and the wounded but each one of us had our count-down calendar with a go-home date carefully circled and the

number of days left remembered well.

We got through Thanksgiving with little problem because somehow it wasn't like the atmosphere of Christmas. For the Christmas holiday there would be the pronounced lack of ties with family and friends back home.

Loved ones never would that term mean so much to all of us that year. I remembered Christmas of years before and made promises to myself never to let another one get by without spending it with as many friends and relatives as possible.

Through it all on that approaching holiday season one of our older officers offered his solution for us. Just be happy you are so busy with your work, he said that way we wouldn't think about it.

But we couldn't help thinking of the position we were in. Soon the Christmas cards would be coming in. Along with several others I had the assignment of being the unit mailman. Each day about a half hour before evening chow I would take the heavy canvas bag over to the mail depot and come back with the letters for the day.

I became a kind of Santa Claus for the unit delivering packages and brightly colored cards. Those of us who got

nothing on a particular day could usually depend on a buddy to read parts of his letters and smooth over the let down feelings of not getting any mail that day.

Thank God for the Red Cross. We each got a packet of things from them and for those who were short on mail greeting cards from those back home that none of us knew.

Through it all there were rumors about increased shelling and a probable attack from the Cong on Christmas Eve or that morning. I would be an ideal time from their standpoint. We had taken a good beating from them a few weeks before but our little unit remained blessed. We had no casualties so far.

I delivered a package with a fold-out tree to one of our soldiers and it was set up in our room. Another family sent their son the ornaments and we bought lights for the tree at the tiny base PX. We almost looked like a well-decorated home except for the 50-cal machine gun hanging just to the side of the tree.

One afternoon a few days before Christmas I made my

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# A Dangerous Christmas

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usual trek over to the mail depot and was amazed to find the long building stuffed to the ceiling with presents - boxes of all sizes. Their seasonal mail rush was as bad as it was at home.

There was a box for me. It was from my wife Carol who was living by herself in Los Angeles while I spent my year in Nam.

If there was one thing I missed it was pound cake. I was ecstatic until I got the package back and opened it on my bunk only to discover that rats had gotten into the package. My surprise pound cake was ruined.

There were some other things too like a folder of pictures that the rats also ruined. The only thing unbroken or unruined was a bottle of scotch.

An interesting thing happened the next day. One of the guys got a package through the mail that somehow the rats didn't get. We ate cookies made from home and drank warm beer and talked about how cold the weather would be back home. In our part of the world it was 80 degrees.

So with the holiday wishes in cards from home and a bottle of scotch set aside that even the rats couldn't get into I went to work at 7:30 p.m. on that Christmas Eve. As usual my black M 16 rifle lay within an arm's length from my work area.

A half hour before midnight we stopped our work in go

outside. There in the bright starry night soldiers were outside shooting off their weapons with special bullets called tracers.

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As midnight became a minute away the entire base sounded like a giant war game in progress. There was about of Merry Christmas and more shooting into the air and toasts bellowed from one booth to another.

The noise was nearly deafening and no one will ever know how much ammunition was fired off that night. But I remember for a moment enjoying the strange, bizarre display of welcoming in the Christmas Day with hundreds of rifles spewing out slipping colorful tracer bullets.

I couldn't help but wonder what the Cong were thinking as they most surely watched from their jungle. Perhaps if they had a God too, he would let us celebrate our religion on this night undisturbed.

It was 5:30 a.m. by the time our crew finished. We walked back to our living quarters just an hour before sunrise and wished each other a Merry Christmas. We were lucky - we had gotten through the night without being shelled.

We cracked the cap on the scotch and shared a glass with

no ice and no mixer. We were so tired it didn't matter anyway.

Off in the distance toward the perimeter I could see sporadic firing of tracer bullets - only this time the shots back to the jungle were for real. For a few hours the war had been turned off.

On the past few Christmas Eves Carol and I have sat on the beach right next to the Chapel By The Sea on Captiva Island and listened to the seasonal songs being sung not far away in the church yard.

And there looking up at the stars and listening to the music I can't help but remember a prayer I and so many of us who were soldiers whispered that night years ago. It went like this: Dear God of all days please don't let me get killed on Christmas.

No doubt about it that was a Christmas to remember.



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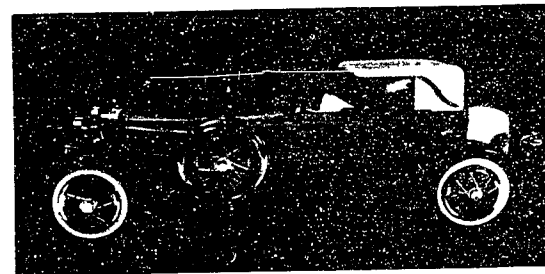
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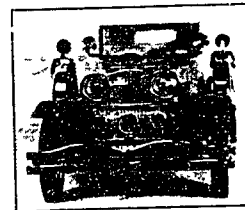


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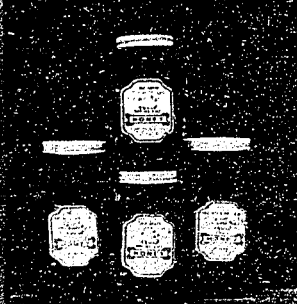


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**Chanukah memorializes  
Temple of Light miracle**

By Barbara Brundage

Chanukah, Festival of the Lights, was originally a minor celebration in the Jewish religion but has been given increased importance in recent years because of the influence of Christmas.

The eight-day Chanukah celebration this year starts at sundown Dec. 20, when Jews in Southwest Florida will light the first candle of the Menorah.

The observance of Chanukah was begun to commemorate the triumph won by Judah Maccabee in the Israelite struggle against Syrian-Greeks 2,000 years ago.

Chanukah also memorializes the miracle of the Temple Light, which burned for eight days with only a one-day supply of oil.

Symbolic of this event is the custom of lighting eight candles—one each evening until at the end of the holiday all are burning.

Chanukah is primarily a home holiday celebrated with a special dinner featuring latke (potato pancakes).

Special prayers are recited, and in some families the task of lighting the candles begins with the father and passes to a different member each night.

Special Chanukah songs are sung, and after dinner the whole family plays an ancient game of chance called "Dreidel."

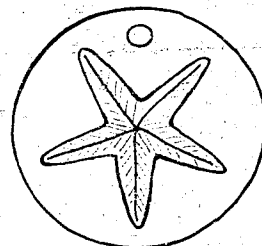
In earlier days Chanukah Gelt (small coins) was given as gifts to the children in memory of the first Maccabean victory, coined after the Jews won their freedom from the Syrian-Greeks.

Today the custom has been extended by many to the giving of elaborate gifts on each day of the holiday.

Chanukah, like Christmas, has become over-commercialized, many Jewish rabbis believe. Chanukah cards are now exchanged, in imitation of the Christian practice. Some families display what they call "Chanukah bushes" that are in reality the same evergreen trees used as Christmas trees by Christians, one rabbi complains.



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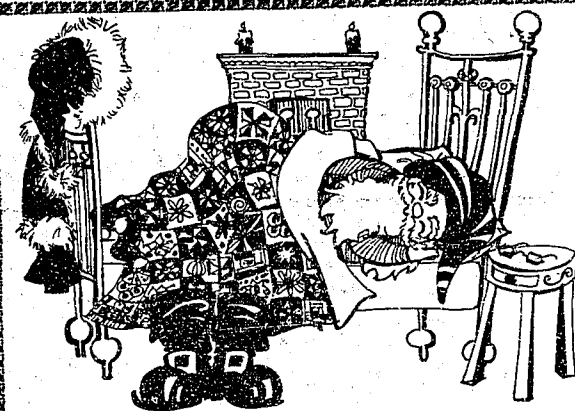
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## Post Office gears up for heavy holiday mail

By FRED Daley

The workers in U.S. Post Offices across the land are Santa's real sleigh and reindeer. And here at 2397 postal workers start gearing up for Christmas around Dec. 1st. Sanibel Postmaster Paul Adams said most Christmas mailers follow Post Office advice and mail early which accounts for the flood of brown paper wrapped packages in the Post Office that starts right around the first of the month.

The local Post Office mails many Christmas cards to New York, Illinois, Michigan and New England. Adams said but he added most cards go to Ohio. People send fewer cards than they used to send he added and Christmas postcards are more popular than ever before.

## Bookstore shelves hold gifts for readers

By Peggy Daley

MacIntosh's Book Store on Sanibel is gradually getting ready for Christmas, as people's habits and reading tastes - and thus their purchases - tend to change from the rest of the year.

Mary Jo Gault, a clerk at the store on Periwinkle Way, has been at the book store for four years. She says shell books and hardcover art books are especially popular at Christmas.

The most expensive book currently in stock at MacIntosh's is the Audubon Society's Baby Elephant Folio, \$150, she said.

One of the most popular children's books

currently on the market is New Yorker and sometimes Playboy magazine cartoonist Shel Silverstein's A Light in the Attic. Judy Blume's books for girls are perennial best sellers, Miss Gault added.

The store does not sell much poetry, according to Miss Gault, but the poetry that is sold is generally that of local writers.

Besides an enormous stock of Penguin paperback classics, which they often sell to students, crossword puzzle books are popular at MacIntosh's. MacIntosh's also carries books on linguistics and semantics and books of aphorisms for would be writers.

## With proper care, Poinsettia will thrive from holiday to holiday

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The Poinsettia originates in Mexico where the normal environment is hot, sunny and dry. The crisp foliage is normally green, and at flowering time the top leaves turn the bright Christmas red we all like so much.

The actual flowers of the plant are the small bracts located at the center of the clustered red leaves. These bracts fall off fairly quickly because they are extremely delicate. Often, simply moving the plant will cause the bracts to fall off, but because the bracts are so small many people don't even notice their disappearance.

Care of the Poinsettia is fairly simple. As mentioned before, their native environment is the desert. Being a succulent, the Poinsettia can easily survive the severe droughts that often hit us during the winter months. Inside the house the plant will flourish with at least two to three hours of direct sunlight each day. The temperature should never drop below 55 degrees, and Poinsettias do best during their flowering stage if temperatures are kept between 65 and 72 degrees.

It is important to keep the soil moist at all times during the flowering phase and later, as the season goes on, to let the soil become slightly dry between thorough waterings.

Many people ask what to do with their Poinsettia after the leaves have faded and the color is gone. The answer to that is hang on to it and cut it back to about eight inches. It will then serve as a nice foliage plant until the flowering cycle begins again.

If you put the plant out in the yard be sure

it is in a spot where it gets at least half a day of sun. Many plants are doing well on the Island and the Poinsettia is one of them.

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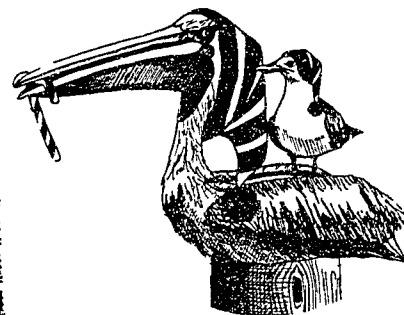
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Fry two cannoli at a time in deep hot fat for 1 minute or until golden brown on both sides. Lift gently with a slotted spoon or tong and drain before removing to unglazed paper to cool. Remove tubes.

Filling

Two batches

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Fill shells. Sprinkle with powdered sugar and chocolate shavings.

Serve filled cannoli immediately. Unfilled cannoli will keep for 6 weeks in cool place.

Cranberry Walnut Muffins  
From Hilda Rash

Preheat oven to 425 degrees. Butter or line muffin tins with paper.

Melt ½ stick of unsalted butter. Chop fine by hand, or in food processor, 1½ cup cranberries. (They can be frozen whole and chopped, still frozen, in food processor.)

Use a whisk to stir together 2½ cups of white unbleached flour, ¼ cup sugar, ¼ tsp. baking powder, ¼ tsp. baking soda, ¼ tsp. salt.

Beat one egg. Grate the rind of 1½ oranges into the beaten egg. Squeeze enough juice to make 1½ cup orange juice. You may use up to ¼ cup of water to make up the whole amount necessary.

Combine melted butter, eggs and orange juice. Mix this liquid mixture together with the dry ingredients, the chopped cranberries and ¼ cup chopped walnuts. Don't overmix. Spoon into muffin tins and bake in preheated oven until lightly brown (about 20-25 minutes).

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**Cranberry Walnut Muffins From Hilda Reisk**  
Preheat oven to 425 degrees. Butter or line muffin tins with paper.

Melt 1/4 stick of unsalted butter. Chop fine by hand, or in food processor, 1 1/2 cup cranberries. (They can be frozen whole and chopped, still frozen, in food processor.) Use a whisk to stir together 2 1/2 cups of white unbleached flour, 1/4 cup sugar, 1/2 tsp baking powder, 1/4 tsp baking soda, 1/4 tsp salt.

Beat one egg. Grate the rind of 1 1/2 oranges into the beaten egg. Squeeze enough juice to make 1 1/4 cup orange juice. You may use up to 1/4 cup of water to make up the whole amount necessary.

Combine melted butter, eggs and orange juice. Mix this liquid mixture together with the dry ingredients, too, chopped cranberries and 1/4 cup chopped walnuts. Don't overmix. Spoon mixture into muffin tins and bake in preheated oven until lightly brown (about 20 minutes).  
Yields about 15 muffins.



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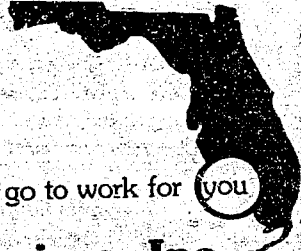
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