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Three generations keep running in the family

Son, granddaughter keep pace with Sanibel octogenarian

By Scott Martell

Even at a shade under 83-year-old, Sanibel's Warren Daniell believes in the motto "keep on trucking."

As a college student Daniell began "truckin'" by walking 86 miles in one day — a record he believes he still holds. At the same time, he was engaged in a long-distance bicycle race, which he finished at the age of 18.

Now that he has slowed down just a bit, Daniell has retired to a life on the run — literally.

Running every other day, he logs about 15 miles a week along Sanibel's bike paths.

But he doesn't just run. He races. In his age class, 80-85, Daniell ranks third in the nation in 10-kilometer competition.

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Left, 83-year-old Warren Daniell crosses the finish line Saturday. Above, Daniell, center, his granddaughter, Beth, and her father, Warren Jr., warm up before the race. Photos by Mark Johnson.

County will decide on renourishment tax

By Scott Martell

The fate of a Municipal Service Taxing Unit tax to help pay for beach renourishment on the lower two-thirds of Captiva is in Lee County's hands.

Captivians packed the community center building yesterday to hear the results on the MSTU petitions.

The final tally showed 314 of 517 residents and property owners who responded to the petition approved the taxing unit.

The Captiva Erosion Prevention District hopes Lee County now will establish the MSTU to help fund the approximate \$6 million beach renourishment project.

Lee County officials originally said 65 percent of the respondents must approve the MSTU before the county would automatically create the taxing district. The CEPD received 60 percent approval on petition returns.

Nevertheless, on Monday the CEPD commissioners unanimously decided to ask the county to establish the MSTU.

The CEPD asked for public input before making that decision. Not one word of dissension came from the crowd of more than 35 people, showing perhaps more agreement than usually is seen on Captiva concerning the delicate subject of erosion prevention.

The basis for the resolution asking the county to establish the MSTU despite the under 65 percent figure was that the 60 percent who approved will pay about 70 percent of the cost of the MSTU.

"We'll just have to present this to the county and see if they think it is viable politically," CEPD Commissioner John Burr said.

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City takes stand against CEPD proposal to slow erosion

By Barbara Brundage

The city of Sanibel opposes the Captiva Erosion Prevention District proposal to construct six sand-core filters perpendicular to an existing rip-rap revetment on the gulf beach on Captiva Drive opposite Jensen's.

The City Council last Tuesday approved the text of a letter requesting the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers not to issue the permit until sufficient technical data is furnished to demonstrate there will be no detrimental effect on Sanibel's beaches.

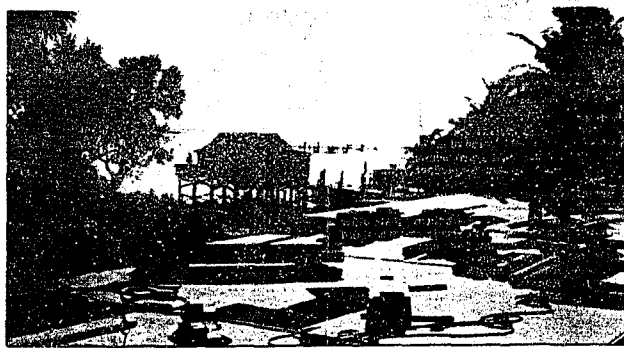
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Upper Captiva

Community tailors fire department for barrier island

By Scott Martell
Photos by David Meardon



Thelma Reed moved to Upper Captiva Island 14 years ago. She remembers walking around the isolated barrier island when she arrived and seeing charred palm tree trunks — a sign that fire had swept parts of the island.

Before man roared to Upper Captiva lightning fires benefited the pristine island in many ways. Fires released valuable nutrients into the soil to create grassy meadows and bring a more diverse habitat to the island, which in turn stimulated the food chain and made a more productive atmosphere for wildlife.

But with human habitation, the dangers of fire to both life and property began to outweigh the benefits. As the careful and limited development of the island continued, everyone knew that someday something would have to be done to protect islanders from fire.

This week a close group of Upper Captiva men and women will go back to school. Amongst the swaying palms and tropical breezes of their island, they will learn how to put out fires.

Fire school is just one of several measures members of the small community have taken in the past month to bring fire protection to the island. They also have filed articles of incorporation for the non-profit Upper Captiva Volunteer Fire Company, submitted a Municipal Service Taxing Unit petition to Lee County to establish a regular yearly fire tax, and have met several times in old-fashioned "town hall" meetings.

They are forming their own fire department. What started as an abrupt county action last October has turned in to a spirited effort on the island whose population now amounts to about half a dozen permanent families.

The arrival of electricity and telephone service last fall and the continued development of homes both in and out of the planned unit development at Safety Harbor are signs that the permanent population will grow, however.

All development on the island came to a complete stop last October, when county officials decreed there would be no more building permits issued for construction in areas that did not have adequate fire protection. The action applied to isolated Upper Captiva and about 20 percent of the rest of the county.

Just recently the county resumed issuing building permits for Safety Harbor Corporation and on a case-by-case basis for other landowners. Yet certificates of occupancy will be withheld until the island meets adequate fire protection standards.

Adequate fire protection for an isolated barrier island amounts to a "complex fire protection plan," Lee County Fire Marshall Tom Egan told close to 20 Upper Captivians at a town hall meeting last month.

Egan and his boss, Rick Gutknecht, director of code enforcement for Lee County, outlined such a plan's major components as (1) trained fire fighters, (2) fire fighting equipment, (3) automatic interior water sprinklers, (4) a water supply for those sprinklers, and (5) radio communications with Lee County emergency operations.

"This is a unique area," Egan told the islanders. "If you don't have a serious fire department out here, fire could wipe out the entire island. You can't rely on any help getting here on time."

This telling point hit home for Russ and Thelma Reed. Back in the late 1970's their home caught on fire. With \$10-per-year donations from many property owners on Upper Captiva the island had purchased a small fire truck. But when the fire truck was needed that fateful day, the engine wouldn't start.

By the time help arrived by helicopter from Pine Island, the Reed's cottage was engulfed in flames and the home was a total loss.

Last month Thelma nodded her agreement as Egan stressed, "All this talk about fire protection is a serious thing. Once a fire starts, it could burn a house down to the ground."

"Now some might prefer that choice rather than pay for fire protection, but that's not okay if it

threatens neighbors' homes, too," he added, emphasizing a major philosophy behind the county's strong position adopted in October.

"Yes, it is important to get fire protection here," Thelma reiterated last week. "And we're well on our way. We're getting together to pull for a common cause, and I think we've become more like a family."

Shelby Creagh, who runs the Island Store and manages Safety Harbor, added, "It's not only important, it is essential that we have fire protection. It affects all of us property owners and determines what we do with our land."

So how do the residents of Upper Captiva go about establishing a modern fire plan on their isolated island? Egan stressed two major points.

"First, he said, 'If you want fire protection, you have to pay for it.'"

"This turns out to be a complicated deal with many options. A steering committee evolved out of last month's town meeting to study the options and put them forward."

The committee decided to present a MSTU petition to the county, maintaining such a taxing unit is the appropriate tool to finance the fire department and its expensive equipment.

But islanders recently learned there is a possibility that income from such a tax will not be available until 1985.

"So until then we'll have to rely on contributions," Thelma Reed said. She is the temporary treasurer of the non-profit group because she is "often the only one here," she added.

In order to speed up the process, Safety Harbor Corporation, the area's major developer which has a vested interest in seeing the work continue, is buying much of the fire fighting equipment with hopes the fire company will reimburse some of the cost whenever it is established, Bruce Waters, vice president of Safety Harbor, said.

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Weather watch

Everybody talks about it

Island residents and visitors can expect mostly cloudy skies and a chance of showers through Thursday this week with highs in the mid to upper 70s and lows in the low 60s.

Last week's weather according to records kept by the Sanibel-Captiva Chamber of Commerce was as follows:

	HIGH	LOW	RAIN
Monday, Jan. 16	70	53	0
Tuesday, Jan. 17	76	61	0
Wednesday, Jan. 18	76	61	0
Thursday, Jan. 19	74	62	20
Friday, Jan. 20	68	51	0
Saturday, Jan. 21	56	58	0
Sunday, Jan. 22	72	52	0

Library calls for books for sale at arts and crafts fair

Paperback, hardback, long or short, new or old — The Sanibel Public Library needs books for its annual book sale that will be held during the Sanibel-Captiva Lions Club Arts and Crafts Fair Friday and Saturday, Feb. 3 and 4, at the Sanibel Community Association Hall.

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Decisions, decisions Magazine subscriptions need careful consideration

By Bill Road
Dear Subscriber...
The holidays are over, it is not really tax time yet, and I lack to resolve even to make New Year's resolutions, let alone keep them.
Outside, it is too cold to go swimming or sit on our patio counting the herons and egrets across the canal. Nor is it warm enough to check on alligator friends who frequent our manmade waterway, but whom we never, never feed. Even the weeds seem to be hibernating. Thus, I find myself with time on my hands.
Fortunately I do have one chore I need to do, and that is deciding which magazines to renew or for which to start subscriptions. Don't laugh, this is serious business. My decisions might help determine which magazines you will be able to read in Dr. Halabi's waiting room. Ours are especially desirable because oftentimes they reach the doctor's office in the same pristine state in which we received them.
One thing is already decided. We will be finding out "what's behind the news" from Time this year, not Newsweek. We were lured into this switch by a television ad that offered us a bargain if we entered a gift subscription in someone's name. On top of the reduced rate, we were also offered a free Time diary. So, picking out my favorite done, I started a subscription in my wife's name.
We have received our gift diary, but Sally doesn't want it and I can't figure out what to do with it. Still,

"...I think I like Time's format and print better, and it feels just as smooth thumbing through as Newsweek does."

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My greatest soul-searching has been given over to

the question of whether to renew our subscription to the New Republic which has a long and well earned reputation as a liberal journal of opinion.
As a "bleeding heart" at one whose blood seems to coagulate better as I grow older, you would think this still would be the magazine for me.
The New Republic is a very good publication, with informative articles and thoughtful reviews. The trouble is that, with my views moderating as I become older, it has become too one-sided for my taste, especially in its mostly uncritical support of Israel. I happen to subscribe to Henry Kissinger's dictum that the United States should defend Israel's right to exist but not its conquests.
Thus I have pretty much decided to live without the New Republic this year. I certainly don't mind saving the \$45 subscription price. I can use that money to pay for introductory offers to the Atlantic and Harpers, two old-timers on the comeback trail.
Another magazine, Esquire, seems to be well on the road to recovery, although it is not the same exciting publication it was under the late Arnold Gingrich.
The new Esquire seems to be aimed at young men ambitious enough to make it in the corporate corridors of power. After the magazine gets through with advising its readership on such matters as what cologne to wear, which IRA fund to invest in, how to furnish a New York apartment, which wine or variety of bottled water to drink — none of which is of any particular relevance to my case, there is precious little space left for latter-day Hemingways, Fitzgeralds or Faulkners.
Anyway, I have a paperback containing the "best" of 50 years of Esquire's fiction in which I can find the original Hemingway, Fitzgerald and Faulkner, plus a lot of other estimable writers. I think I'll pass up Esquire, even though its cheap introductory offer is tempting.
As for that other principal "magazine for men," in whose pages the nubility factor takes a quantum leap, I never have subscribed to it. It's not that I mind looking at the girls, it's just that that much exposure to indecent exposure can be a little overpowering.


Besides, I find Playboy's crudely hedonistic "philosophy" offensive. I don't consider myself a prude, but I consider the magazine corrupt and corrupting. That, of course, is merely a personal opinion, obviously not shared by Playboy's millions of subscribers.
Another, more wholesome category where the text is seldom read is what I call the "gee whizz" natural history magazine. We usually take one of them — either the National Geographic, The Smithsonian or Natural History. The last-mentioned is especially noteworthy for the excellent articles on evolution by Stephen Jay Gould.
This kind of periodical tends to pile up until you have a year's worth, at which time you bundle them

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up for sale at the annual Library — this year the Lions' — fair. Right now, we are not subscribing to any of them. Gould's output in any event eventually is collected in paperback, a format I prefer.
We usually take a couple of food and/or shelter magazines, currently Bon Appetit and Better Homes and Gardens. I don't usually look at these, but my wife enjoys them. The main thing is to find ones that don't have too many casserole recipes your spouse might be tempted to try.
One truly outstanding publication is the New York Review of Books. It is pretty heavy going, but it has the virtue of keeping you au courant on the latest trends in scholarly research and writing. It has the distinct advantage of reassuring you that you are not missing much by being so distanced from the groves of Academe as we are on Sanibel.

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COMMENTARY

Beachgoer suggests clearer signs regarding parking

A copy of the following letter to the mayor and police chief of Sanibel and to the Sanibel-Captive Chamber of Commerce was given to the Islander

for publication.
Dear Sirs:
I am not a letter writer, but I feel a compulsion to write this. On Friday the 13th, my wife and I were visiting the beaches on Sanibel Island. We had been to the Lighthouse, Blind Pass and Bowman's Beach. At each of these places parking seemed very better skelter and "put it anywhere you can."
Then we went to Gulfside City Park, where we saw two signs on the left that said "NO PARKING BETWEEN SIGNS." There being no place else to park, I parked well to the left of these two signs. When we returned from the beach in about a quarter hour because it was too cluttered and

aromatic to stay on, we found a "ticket" on our car.
Not wishing to upset my wife any more than necessary, I brought her home and returned to the Sanibel Police Department today alone.
The officer who wrote the ticket very kindly returned to the parking lot with me to show me I was between signs, but the one that was supposed to be on my left was not there. He said he was sorry, people destroy the signs, etc., and he was just doing his job.
I have always been told a policeman is a public servant, and his "job" is to assist the public, not harass them.
Since I have just retired, my wife and I spent part of last winter on the East coast and now we came here to

see which we like best.
Enclosed you will find a check for the incredible amount of \$25. Even cities with clearly defined parking areas don't even approach this amount.
In closing I would like to say I have learned more about Southwest Florida in general and Sanibel in particular than I ever wanted to know.
Respectably,
Thomas Clifton
FL Myers, Fla.
P.S. A simple sign that says "NO PARKING THIS SIDE" would have saved me a great deal of money and embarrassment.

Bird lover, shop owner criticizes housing of birds at Jerry's center

To The Editor
The Islander
One wonders in an age of enlightenment such as ours how people who set themselves up as experts on wildlife and wildlife preservation can in reality be so misinformed. (Ref: Housing of Birds at Jerry's Shopping Center, The Islander, Dec. 28, 1983.)
The article by George Campbell was as well done as any I have had the pleasure of reading in a long time. The information and illustrations were right on the money and well researched. Hats off to Campbell and Ann Winterbotham.
On the other hand the article by

Scott Martell ("Owner defends caged birds at Jerry's Center," The Islander, Dec. 28, 1983) shows just how ignorant some people in the world of birds can be.
In the case of Mr. (Dick) Muench his twice fold because of all people he should know better. The fact that he was appointed the Southeast United States vice president for the American Federation of Aviculture leaves one to wonder why Muench does not take the advice of people who might be a little more expert in the field of housing birds exposed to the elements.
When people accept the responsibility of caging birds they also accept — or should accept — all that it

entails. I'm sure the general public enjoys these birds completely exposed in their cages, not thinking about the birds' well being. Given the same conditions that these birds are housed in, I am sure they soon would do something about it.
Birds do thrive in the rain — but not at 79 degrees and with 80-rph wind and no choice left to them as to where to go for protection. The roofs, if one chooses to call them that, are much too small to afford any protection; the wind shields are a waste of time; and there is no protection for their food dishes during a rain storm.
Mr. Muench says in his statement if he saw there was any kind of problem

developing we can bet he would do something about it. I and many others know there is a problem. Perhaps one day he, too, will become convinced. For the birds' sake one hopes it won't be too late.
In closing let me leave Mr. Muench with this question — where are the two Therefore, we have made the commitment to head up the 1984 United Way campaign.
Gene Lockard
House of Exotic Birds
Fort Myers, Fla.
Charter member,
Octagon Wildlife Refuge, Punta Gorda, Fla.

Resident applauds council repeal of melaleuca designation

A copy of the following letter to Mayor Fred Vautin was given to The Islander for publication.
Dear Mr. Mayor:
The council is to be commended upon their action taken Jan. 3, 1984, regarding the resolution pertaining to the melaleuca tree. In the past 25 years I have witnessed several very devious issues split our community into two hostile camps. We do not need any more such arguments, particularly when more pleasant ways or options are open to us.
Sanibel is a unique community of intelligent and successful people who came here to live a quiet and happy life. They are cooperative and law abiding. Most have come here to avoid the bureaucratic life experienced in other areas. They hate to be pushed around.
I feel certain that the control of any potential over-burden of the melaleuca can be accomplished by volunteer action much more quickly, less expensively, and above all, with less irritation than by bureaucratic action.
E. G. Konrad
Sanibel

United Way chairmen thank contributors

Dear Islanders,
We want to thank you for your support of the 1983 United Way campaign. Sanibel contributions totaled \$21,800, just short of the \$25,000 goal. However, the county exceeded the \$725,000 target by \$10,000.
Special thanks go to Gordon Kiddoo for his assistance in contacting residents. Behind the scenes help also came from the offices of Sanibel Homes and Song of the Sea.
The Island newspapers helped the drive gain broader coverage by publishing articles and coupons. This meaningful support was greatly appreciated.
If perchance we missed you during the fall, contributions can still be sent to: United Way of Lee County, P.O. Box 1573, Fort Myers, FL 33902. Your checks will be credited toward the Sanibel goal.
Our involvement in this year's campaign has been gratifying. Therefore, we have made the commitment to head up the 1984 United Way campaign.
Sincerely,
Doris Frey
and Pat Siler
Co-chairmen, Sanibel United Way

Melaleuca 'flap' concerns 10-year resident

do not like to be told what they may do with their property, but with this freedom must go responsibility — in this case, responsibility to their neighbor's health and welfare.
The continuing flap regarding the melaleuca and its effect on the Island as a whole is simply outrageous. When I moved to my present home in the winter of 1973-74, there was a solid line of this "noxious weed" along my east line. I had them cut down to stump size because of the effect on my wife and me and then applied stump killer to no effect, as the stumps continued to sprout.
I then employed Jimmie Cipriani to remove the stumps and to (furnish enough top soil to fill the hollows. He did this very efficiently.
Now I am told that because a minority of property owners insist upon retaining their "noxious trees" my wife and I must confine ourselves to our air-conditioned home. We refuse to do this because it should not be necessary.
It does appear that it is now time for this aggressive minority to recognize the facts of community life on Sanibel.
William Kimball
Sanibel

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MUNICIPAL RECORDS

By Barbara Brundage

Goss argues for fence, former colleagues say okay

Porter Goss appeared before the City Council last Tuesday to plead his own case — and he won.

Four of Goss' former colleagues voted to allow the former Sanibel mayor and now-Lee County commissioner to install a 320-foot-long green vinyl covered fence in front of his golf front home. The fence will be parallel to the sandy beach and 80 feet forward of the Coastal Construction Setback Line.

Only Councilman Louise Johnson held firm to the city's policy not to allow any structures seaward of this line. She was the only dissenter in the 4-1 vote to approve the specific amendment required.

The Comprehensive Land Use Plan classifies fences as structures. The other four councilmen were swayed by Goss' argument that a fenced-in enclosure at this location is the only solution to the problem of controlling the family's two large dogs that are considered nuisances by his neighbors.

Using any other spot would mean he would have to remove large areas of native vegetation on his three-acre estate that has been carefully nurtured through the years.

"There is really no other alternative," Goss told

the council. "I realize this is not a fun decision for you, but I would be less of a good daddy and husband if I was not here trying to defend my private property rights."

Goss argued that the state's original intent when it established what is now called the Coastal Control Line was to prevent large buildings from being erected too close to the high tide line.

"It was not intended that sand dunes should only be looked at and not be used at all," Goss said.

Reasonable use of privately owned land on the sand dunes is provided for in Sanibel's land use plan by relief through the specific amendment route, Goss said.

He maintained the dunes would not be harmed by use as a dog run and added the unobtrusive fence 140 feet from the mean high tide line would be barely visible to beach users.

"It is of public benefit to approve this application so that the public can use the soft sand beach without further nuisance from my dogs," he added.

But Johnson was adamant in her belief that no exception should be made to the city's policy to keep the dunes inviolate.

"I sympathize with your family's problem and am personally fond of Rogo (Goss' huge black Labrador)," Johnson told Goss. "But I see the coastal construction line issue as one that is important to the city's welfare. We have used that as a benchmark."

Mayor Fred Valtin, a longtime friend of Goss, viewed the problem differently.

"For some people it might look like an exception is being made because it's Porter Goss," Valtin mused. "If your name was Smith I might find it

easier to deal with."

But after listening to Goss' presentation that Valtin called "brilliant in its breadth and scope," Valtin concluded it would be more unfair "because of his high profile not to approve Mr. Goss' request that we would grant to Mr. Smith."

Valtin said the situation showed there is a need for a fence ordinance making it perfectly clear what is allowed.

Planning Commissioner Lennart Lorenson informed the council that such an ordinance is under consideration by the Planning Commission.

"But in the current draft fences are forbidden forward of the CCSL," Lorenson said.

Goss said he thought the only real issue was whether fences are an appropriate dog control measure.

Councilman Mike Klein had visited the site and said the fence would not have much impact, visual or otherwise.

"What are we trying to prevent?" he asked. "We have granted relief from setbacks a couple of times in the past."

Klein's motion to approve the fence installation included the conditions that it should be chainlink, covered with green vinyl, no more than six feet high, and that an entry to the beach for wildlife be provided and that no wheeled vehicles be allowed inside the enclosure.

Goss promised that if he could miraculously find another solution to the problem he would not construct the fence and if it proves not workable after it is installed he will remove it.

Research shows portion of Wulfert Road is public

City Attorney David La Croix confirmed last week that the public portion of Wulfert Road ends 250 feet short of the waters of Pine Island Sound.

La Croix based his opinion on a final judgment in the 1969 lawsuit Mitchell vs. Lee County.

In 1919, in response to a citizens' petition, the County Commission declared the road from Wulfert dock to the main road (Sanibel-Captiva Road) was public.

Thirteen years ago the court declared the 1919 commission action did not extend to the waters of Pine Island Sound.

After the county filed a disclaimer of any interest in land north of a line

about 250 feet from the water's edge, the final judgment placed that land in private ownership.

A metal gate across the road 800 feet from the sound obstructs a valid public right-of-way, La Croix said last week.

Litigation might be necessary for the city to require the abutting property owner to remove the gate, which prevents public use of the section of Wulfert Road beyond the Henderson Road intersection, La Croix said.

Such litigation, he suggested, also could judicially establish the public status of the road and its width to avoid further arguments.

The section of the road has not been used by the general public for several

years. It is primarily used as a driveway by one owner, who has posted signs indicating it is a private road.

But the public has the right to use the road to within 250 feet of the water's edge, La Croix assured the council.

If the city wishes to restrict the use to pedestrians and bicyclists and prohibit other vehicular travel, as Assistant City Manager Gary Price has suggested, the council can pass a resolution delegating that authority to the city manager.

La Croix prepared such a resolution for last week's meeting, but the council agreed at that time to defer action until the property owner and his

attorney are notified of the city's intention.

A request that the road be opened to the public prompted Price to determine its true status.

Sanibel resident George Campbell complained that when he walked down the road to reach a nature site a man with a shotgun threatened him and told he was trespassing on private property.

La Croix recommended that all property owners in the area be advised that the city considers the road public.

Any threats or attacks on any persons using the right-of-way will be treated as all assaults and batteries if they are reported to authorities, La Croix added.

Council confident city manager can find funds for drainage work

Even though no money is budgeted for the project, the City Council last week authorized expenditure of \$4,457 to correct a drainage problem along the southern end of Dixie Beach Boulevard.

Residents of the neighborhood, plagued for more than a year by tidal water standing in a moat-like ditch in front of their homes, applauded the council's action.

Approximately 248 feet of concrete

pipe will be laid in the ditch and covered, Assistant City Manager Gary Price said. With two small catch basins the water will drain into a tidal area hidden from view, he explained.

The \$6,782 total cost of the project will be reduced by \$2,325 because the Public Works Department has agreed to donate labor and materials already on hand.

City Manager Bernie Murphy recommended that the project be

delayed until the next fiscal year, when the money could be budgeted.

But Mayor Fred Valtin and Councilman Mike Klein said the situation was a neighborhood problem that has existed and that the city has been aware of for some time. They recommended the solution be given a high priority and said the project should be undertaken immediately.

The influx of tidal water began after Mariner Properties, Inc., installed two

large culverts at the Dixie Beach Boulevard-Albatross Road intersection.

The council was confident Murphy could "find the money somewhere" to fund the construction.

Councilman Louise Johnson's motion to proceed with the project and aim for completion before the start of the rainy season passed unanimously.

Applicants sought for Below Market Rate Housing Committee

Five Sanibel residents are being sought to fill vacancies on the Below Market Rate Housing Committee. The vacancies were created when the City Council changed the composition of the group to include one member of the council and up to six Sanibel residents.

The council unanimously approved a resolution making the change official last Tuesday.

The original resolution establishing the Below Market Rate Housing Committee called for two members of council to serve along with an unspecified number of private citizens.

Last month the council agreed that

no more than one councilman should be permitted on any of the city's standing committees.

Councilmen Francis Bailey and Louise Johnson, then-members of the BMRH Committee, offered to step down, leaving committee chairman Mayor Fred Valtin the only council representative.

Ben Fuller, currently a committee member, is willing to continue, Valtin told the council.

Committee member Emily Bancroft, recently appointed to the Lee County Zoning Board, has asked to be excused, and the remaining

member Kate Gooderham no longer resides on Sanibel.

Bailey at first objected to requiring Sanibel residency as a qualification.

"What is your definition of a resident?" he inquired, adding that to him it is a registered voter.

But the majority of the council preferred to leave residency as a primary qualification.

None of the council was prepared to make appointments at last week's session. Valtin suggested that all council members come to the Feb. 7 meeting with names of candidates willing to serve.

"There is really no urgency," Valtin stressed, because the committee will not be needed until the CHR housing foundation is activated.

Other appointments to standing committees made by the council last week include Elliott Gelberg, an Island CPA, to the Board of Adjustments and Appeals to replace Claire Walters, who declined to serve again; and Larry Tretraut, a general contractor, reappointed for another term on the same board.

Councilman Mike Klein informed

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MUNICIPAL RECORDS

Despite setback shortfall, council okays Thai restaurant

Islanders might be able to enjoy Thai food some time in the future. Last Tuesday after months of delay the City Council approved James and Swarin Boons' request for a specific amendment to permit them to convert their home on Periwinkle Way into a 30-seat restaurant.

Councilman Mike Klein was the only dissenter in the 4-1 vote. He urged his colleagues to be "hardnosed" and not back down on the commercial regulation that says a restaurant must have a 150-foot frontage on Periwinkle Way. Only 100 feet of the Boons'

property fronts Periwinkle. The council also said the Boons could continue for up to one year storing their inventory of shells under the piling structure on Periwinkle Way. The shells are sold in the Boons' Palm Hedge Road shell shop, Shell World Sanibel.

Regulations do not permit such storage in commercial structures. The storage is permitted, however, as long as the structure is residential.

Planning consultant Carlton Ryffel said his client agreed to all the conditions imposed by the city's Planning

Department, including the dedication of a drainage easement to the Sanibel River at the rear of the property. The easement will help solve the flooding problem on Periwinkle Way.

But Mayor Fred Valtin warned Boon that there is no guarantee he will be able to build a single-family home on the 220 feet of residentially-zoned property to the rear of the site.

Valtin explained that a restriction on building within 200 feet of the Sanibel River now under consideration by the city might preclude any development on that part of the site.

Councilman Louise Johnson was assured that planning commissioners will determine details of the drainage restriction area when the Boons apply for a development permit for the restaurant.

Ryffel pointed out that the restaurant will occupy the same footprint as does the existing home and is half the size originally requested.

MUNICIPAL RECORDS

Melaleuca label removed, council reaffirms voluntary eradication

The City Council last Tuesday removed the "noxious" label from the melaleuca *quingeneria*, cherished for years by many islanders as a landscape plant.

By a 3-2 vote the council repealed a resolution that added the melaleuca to the list of plants experts consider hazardous to the health of Sanibel residents and threatening to native vegetation and the natural environment of the island.

Councilmen Mike Klein and Louise Johnson voted against repeal.

But at the same time the councilmen agreed unanimously to adopt another

resolution reaffirming its position that the melaleuca is "undesirable" and endorsing the city's voluntary program for removal of the trees during the next five years.

City Attorney David La Croix was directed to draft the resolution and bring it back for action at the Feb. 7 council meeting.

La Croix reminded the council that the Comprehensive Land Use Plan requires melaleuca to be removed when property is being developed for the first time.

By repealing the "noxious label" resolution the council has avoided the

possibility of a referendum and leaves open its option to institute a mandatory removal program at a later date, La Croix said.

Bill Patric, newly hired as the city's noxious plant control officer, will run the voluntary program. Several residents have already expressed an interest in having the city remove melaleucas from their property at the city's expense, Patric said.

The noxious label would have triggered the mandatory removal of the melaleuca under the dangerous buildings and hazardous land ordinance.

La Croix said that now without the property owners' consent the only way the city can order the removal of melaleucas is to obtain a "seizure and seizure order" from the courts.

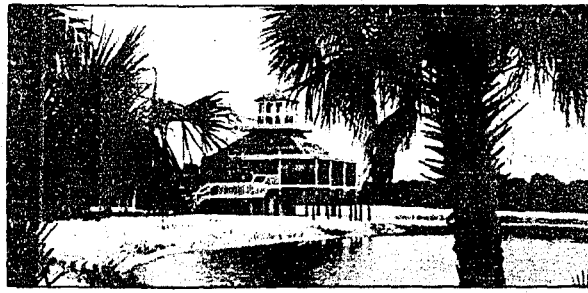
"I can't see the city going to such lengths," Clark Newcombe commented.

Mildred Gold, a resident of Gumbo Limbo, said her neighborhood would be a desert like Cape Coral if all the melaleuca were gone.

Gold, like many of the resolution's opponents, was more concerned about

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BUSINESS NEWS

By Scott Martell

Computer provides secretarial services

Couple hopes new business will serve other Island businesses

A small business to help other businesses opened on Sanibel last week.

Word Factor, a business operated by Jeannie Pistilli, moved into part of the space above the Three Star grocery store that the Sanibel Police Department vacated last November.

Pistilli will offer "out-of-office secretarial services," to Island

businesses and private individuals. Those services include all kinds of typing, including letters, contracts, theses, forms and manuals.

Pistilli's husband, Ed, manages Three Star and plans to use his computer background to help in the new venture.

The business' Word Star computer is the cornerstone of the new business, both Ed and Jeannie

believe.

"One of the best things about the computer is that it is very inexpensive for customers to make changes in their copy," Jeannie says. The computer also offers electronic editing, spelling corrections and a large memory and is connected to a printer that can print 13 characters a second.

Speed could be of the essence in Jeannie's new line of work. She can already type 80 words a minute, but she believes the computer will enable her hit 110 words a minute.

Jeannie had a similar business in Fort Myers since the couple bought the computer last February. With Ed's tutelage, she quickly mastered the computer and handled a vast majority of projects, primarily medical manuals.

"The demand for our services was so much greater than we could handle in Fort Myers," Ed said. This, combined with Ed's new job which he started at Three Star in October, stimulated the couple to move the secretarial service to Sanibel.

"Here we can concentrate on quality instead of quantity," Jeannie says. "Sanibel is like a small town, and this should be a new and unique business here. And we can be more flexible as far as subject matter."

And because of more than two years of research into the computer field, Ed has been inspired to set up his own small business, Marketech, which is a consulting firm on how to set up a small business using computers.

"People can overbuy so easily in the computer field," he stresses.

Jeannie Pistilli, left, and her husband, Ed. Photo by Mark Johnson.



First Independence Bank names management for new Sanibel office

Alfred Roepstorff, chairman and president of First Independence Bank, last week announced the appointment of Jack Milner Jr. as vice president and branch manager and Jeanne Pauley as assistance vice president and assistant branch

manager for the First Independence Bank planned for Sanibel office will be in the Three Star grocery complex at 2245 Palm Ridge Road.

Milner has 23 years of banking experience with the Union Bank and Trust Company in Kokomo, Ind. He is a

graduate of the Graduate School of Banking at the University of Wisconsin and the American Institute of Banking at Indiana University. He and his wife, Millie, live on Fort Myers Beach.

Pauley comes to First Independence Bank from the First Bank of Marco Island, N.A., Marco Island, Fla. Her banking experience includes 10 years at the First Bank of Marco Island and three years with the National Bank of Collier County.

Pauley has completed various courses with the American Institute of Banking and has been active in local civic organizations.



Dunn joins South Seas Plantation as vice president of rooms

Carl Dunn is the new vice president of rooms at South Seas Plantation on Captiva. The announcement was made last week by Austin Mott III, the resort's executive vice president and general manager.

ibilities will include overseeing housekeeping, maintenance and front office operations and owner relations. He comes to South Seas from the Tamaroo Resort in Durango, Colo., where he was vice president of

hotel operations in charge of all room functions since 1981. Before that he was director of front office operations at the Innsbrook Resort in Tarpon Springs, Fla., for 10 years.

Dunn's responsibilities

Sanibel Realty obtains exclusive sales rights for Fort Myers condos



Sanibel Realty, Inc., will be the exclusive

sales representatives of Town and River Condominiums in Fort Myers. The announcement was made last week by Bert Jenks, president of Sanibel Realty.

The condominiums at Cypress Lakes Drive and McGregor Boulevard in Fort Myers are under construction, and oc-

cupancy is scheduled for early April.

The development will consist of 74 waterfront units, each with two bedrooms and two baths. The waterway leads to the river and the golf.

Wallace Larson has been appointed projects sales manager for the development.

Electric co-op representative honored

Sanibel resident Joe Feeney, the Islands' representative on the Lee County Electric Cooperative Board of Trustees, has received board member certification from the National Rural Electric

Cooperative Association.

NRECA certification requires completion of a series of courses aimed at developing and refining policy-making skills for elected management personnel.

The training courses emphasize the legal, financial and functional responsibilities of board members as policy makers.

Feeney was elected to the cooperative's Board of Trustees in 1982.



Carl Dunn



Hazel Amon

Hazel Amon joins PMR

Priscilla Murphy Realty, Inc., of Sanibel, Captiva and Fort Myers last week announced the appointment of Sanibel resident Hazel Amon as Realtor-Associate at the Captiva sales office.

Bank presents \$1,000 to rec center fund



BOTI President Jim Hermes, left, presents a check for \$1,000 to Recreation Director Dick Noon. Photo by Scott Martell.

Sanibel's recreation complex received a financial splash in the bucket last week when Bank of the Islands President Jim Hermes presented Recreation Director Dick Noon a \$1,000 check to help pay off the debt on the gymnasium.

When the \$325,000 complex that includes a pool and gymnasium first got underway, the community raised \$125,000 in donations. The city added \$170,000, and a \$30,000 loan ensured completion of the facility.

With the \$1,000 from BOTI and other donations from Islanders, the loan is now down to \$9,000.

"We keep chewing away at it," Noon said. "We knew that raising this much would be tough, but when you look back and see how far we've come, it boggles you."

When the loan is paid off through donations and the sale of the 1984 Sanibel phone book, then a real burden will be taken off Noon and many others' shoulders. "You might see me doing some cartwheels," Noon laughs.

Islanders or visitors who would like to help eliminate the debt for the recreation center should call the complex, 472-0345.

Market analysis Experts say selectivity remains crucial

Courtesy of Mark Webb

Investment Broker

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"Give a little, take a little" is acceptable in most business transactions. But "give a little, take a lot" usually is too good to ask for.

However, that is what has been going on in the stock market since the start of the New Year, and that is why the market's pullback this past week didn't bother us at all.

The first week of the year saw an advance of some 35 points by the DOW Industrial. The second week

saw that average give back approximately 17 points. That's a trade we will make any time, particularly when the New York Stock Exchange showed a big jump in its advancing vs. declining issues the first week and only a very modest decline in the second week.

So that takes care of the short term -- we are in an uptrend, the market got quite extended, and the past week represents a normal correction that improves the chances that this leg will take us to D.J. 1300 and to perhaps the 1350 area.

But much more important, does the recent market action change the longer term outlook?

In our opinion, no. Unfortunately, the market defies one easy title like "bull" or "bear." Instead, the past seven months have been selectively bullish for some stocks and selectively bearish for others.

That leaves us with a tricky, difficult environment, but it has been in place for a long time and we should assume it will stay that way.

Of course, the advice we have just expressed is

Chamber issues statement on hospitality association

Sanibel-Captiva Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Walter Kile said last week several businesses on the Islands have been approached by people soliciting memberships in the Hospitality Industry Association.

These salespeople are asking members of the Islands business community who are in the service industry, i.e., restaurant and hotel personnel, retail salespersons, cab drivers, etc., to join the HIA. Among the benefits promised for members are discounts, free admissions and special privileges at various establishments throughout the state.

The HIA membership application form requests detailed information about the applicant's employment history and job description.

Although he could not speak for other members of the Sanibel-Captiva business community, Kile said neither the Chamber of Commerce itself nor any of its individual employees planned to join the association.

our watchword -- stick with what's already in place and don't try to do the impossible and predict the change of an established trend.

Two pieces of economic news this past week were very positive for the bond market. The producer price index for December rose only .2 percent, putting 1983 at the smallest rate of growth in 20 years.

Retail sales for December were reported up only .1 percent, well below expectations and worthy of a high degree of doubt. Market action says own stocks selectively and be cautious. We are listening to the market.

Market analyst AI Goldman based his column on market conditions of Tuesday, Jan. 17. If you have questions or comments on the above article contact Mark Webb in care of this paper, P.O. Box 58, Sanibel 33957, or call Webb at A.G. Edwards in Fort Myers, 334-3505.

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OUT AND ABOUT

By Scott Martell

Photos by Mark Johnson

KORESHAN STATE PARK

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Sights:

The state of Florida operates this 306-acre park that offers several alternatives for day visitors. Best is a fascinating guided tour of a 50-acre religious commune that is being restored back to its golden years, 1904-1907. The hour tour costs only 50 cents and begins at 10:30 a.m., 1 and 3 p.m. daily.

A boat ramp on the Estero River, a nature trail, picnicing and classes in

precede the park, which is on the right side of the road just 100 yards or so past the Estero River.

fishing and castnetting also are offered at Koreshan. The park has 60 camping sites that cost \$9.45 a night with electricity and \$7.35 without.

Special arrangements can be made for guided tours of Mount Key, an historical Indian site that is monitored from park headquarters. Visitors must provide boat transportation, but the park will provide the knowledgeable guides.

Trip highlights:

The guided historical tour is special and unique. The 50-acre commune is one of only 23 state-run historical sites in Florida. And Koreshan, which is presently undergoing a burst of restoration, is the only park that is a colony of buildings.

"Koreshan is like a small town," says Capt. Dale Noble of the Florida Department of Natural Resources, Division of Recreation and Parks, which runs the park. Noble compares the Koreshan commune to the better known Shaker commune in Maine.

A trip through the commune, which back in the early 1900's was Lee County's largest population center, is a study in history, religious philosophy, nature and self-sufficiency.

Visitors will sense the past in the old slash pine buildings with their high ceilings, glass windows and antique furniture.

Ranger Jim Allen will relate the fascinating history of the commune, from the migration of Mid-Westerners to Cyrus Reed Teed's "New Jerusalem" to the commune's use of the Estero River as its only highway.

Allen also raises visitors' eyebrows with the logic behind the Koreshan's astronomical theories.

At one time the Koreshan faith offered a \$50,000 reward to any who could disprove their belief that space was like an apple, with the earth spread out on the inside of the peel and the moon, stars and sun on the inside of the core. That reward was never picked up.

Other interesting Koreshan concepts

Trip lowlights:

It would be nice to explore the commune by yourself and absorb the atmosphere alone and at your own pace. But this is a precious historical site,

include advocating celibacy, communal living and communal ownership of property.

A walk along the shell paths that wind through the commune show the group's inclination to nature study. The park is a mishmash of exotic and natural vegetation, from "ear" trees with big seeds that actually look like ears dangling from branches, to big bamboo, camphor, sausage, corob, Baryan rubber and slash pine trees.

After a tour through the grounds, it's no wonder the park rangers call this area the "gardens".

And as an early settlement in southwest Florida, the group had to be self-sufficient in product as well as culture. Hence, much of the vegetation served a purpose. The seeds of the ear tree were used as a hardening agent, the big bamboo was cut to make glasses and cups; and the corob was used for sweetening.

And prominently displayed in the beautiful wood buildings are a variety of band instruments, paintings, books and magazines — all remnants from the Koreshan past.

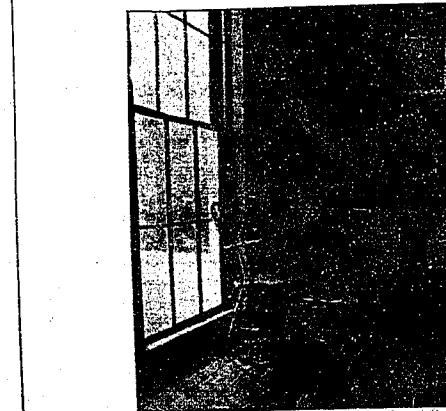
Just how unique and self-sufficient were the Koreshans? Allen picks up a thin piece of bamboo and says how they could make an 80-pound test archery bow from the slim reed.

Later he adds the ratio of women to men at the commune was three-to-one. Yet there is not one hint of sexual misconduct mentioned in Koreshan minutes or the newspaper, he says — perhaps a sign that the vows of celibacy worked at Koreshan.

And perhaps it is better that it stays that way by being adequately protected — hence the tours.

For more information:

Write or phone Koreshan State Historic Site, P.O. Box 7, Estero, FL 33522, or call (813) 922-0111.



A Sanibel man was arrested for obstruction of justice after he refused to cooperate with police who questioned him at the request of the man's mother Friday evening, Jan. 13. Harry Frederick Jordan, 27, of 398 Old Trail Road, consistently interrupted the officer who was questioning him and refused to turn over any identification. After several attempts to get Jordan's cooperation failed, the officer arrested him and took him to the Lee County Jail.

Further investigation revealed Jordan was wanted by U.S. Army officials for eloping from Leavenworth.

A night desk employee at the Sundial reported her purse was stolen from a chair in the office behind the front desk between 1 and 2:30 a.m. Saturday. The purse contained several credit cards and sunglasses. Value of the purse and its contents was estimated from \$20 to \$50.

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

Four Missouri women reported their room at the Ramada Inn was broken into between 4 and 5:10 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 14. A watch and \$46 cash was reported missing. Police found no signs of forced entry.

While on routine patrol Sunday morning, Jan. 15, police found the mailbox at CROW headquarters on Sanibel-Captiva Road had been pulled off its post and then run over and flattened.

Another mailbox on Sanibel-Captiva Road was struck several times with a large object Sunday morning, Jan. 15, and an employee of the French Quarter restaurant on Tarpon Bay Road said the mailbox there was vandalized the same morning.

Four chairs and one table were reported stolen from the pool area at Donax Village condominiums Sunday

morning, Jan. 15. Each of the chairs and the table was inscribed with the condo name. Value of the furniture was placed at \$250.

A 10-speed bicycle valued at \$200 was reported missing from a bike rack at Mariner Point condominiums Sunday afternoon, Jan. 15. The stainless steel bicycle had black forks, racing handle bars and a Sears speedometer.

A Fort Myers man reported a gym bag containing racquetball shoes and racquet, eyeglasses and other miscellaneous items was taken from his unlocked car while it was parked at a friend's house on Bird Lane between 1 and 2 p.m. Monday, Jan. 16. Value of the bag and its contents was placed at \$300.

Upper Captiva forms fire department from page 2A

Egan's second major point to the Islanders emphasized the nature of a volunteer fire department. "It's not just a job you walk into. The smoke is bad. There's a lot of exertion. You have to be in great physical shape," he said.

"I retired because it's a young man's job," Egan added. "Before running out and joining up, consider your heart and lungs. It's nice to be enthusiastic and have volunteer spirit, but you don't want to kill yourself."

L. Roper with the Southwest Florida Regional Airport Fire Department also attended the town hall meeting on Upper Captiva. He is responsible for training most of the volunteer firefighters in Southwest Florida and will teach the classes that start

this weekend on Upper Captiva. Roper added his own list of tough requirements to be a fireman, including 40 hours of classroom instruction after which candidates must pass a statewide test.

Nevertheless, many Upper Captivians remain unimpressed. Creagh thinks more than 20 people will attend the class Saturday.

"And half of them will be from my family," Creagh jokes. This includes his wife, Glessie, and his daughter-in-law, Jeanna. So Upper Captivians have made a serious start toward complying with county regulations. What develops will surely be both safer and easier, for Island residents.

The Reeds remember battling a blaze back in 1977 before the island had any kind of fire protection. Lightning sparked a grass fire between the Paul Winstlow and the Phil McKenzie homes, threatening both homes.

"There weren't very many of us on the island, and we didn't have any equipment to speak of. So we formed a bucket brigade," Theima remembered. "We were lucky that we were close to a canal for water. Then the fire jumped up into the palm trees. Judge Rose got out his garden hose, and it had just enough pressure to reach the fire," she added.

The days of the bucket brigades and garden hoses appear to be over on the barrier island. But it seems the spirit remains.

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Running runs in the family from page 1

petition. And, excuse the pun, serious jogging runs in the family. Last Saturday three generations of Daniells raced through the five-kilometer course in the Run For Kids' Sake race in Fort Myers.

Joining Daniell in the run for the Big Brother-Big Sister program were Daniell's eldest son, Warren Jr., 57, from Massachusetts, and his granddaughter, Beth, 28, from Oregon.

Warren Jr. ran in college and now competes internationally in the World Masters competition. Beth is a novice, enticed into the sport this year by her galloping grandfather.

And on the coffee table in prominent display in Daniell's Sanibel home is an article about the Redding, Calif., "Running Guru" — another Daniell.

"Races give you an incentive to do well," he says. "Running also helps keep the weight down," he laughs.

Now at 83, he feels he is limited to 10 kilometer races or less — that's 6.2 miles. In the recent Knight Classic, Daniell ran for about 43 minutes to finish the race.

"I came in last, but I was the oldest by 15 years," Daniell says. And finishing right before him was a 16-year-old girl.

"I enjoy running. It makes you feel good," Daniell says. "But I don't push myself to pain."

He also likes running in smaller races like Saturday's "Run for Kids Sakes" run, where he was not overwhelmed by other runners. But when Warren Jr. reminds him, "But Dad, when there's more runners, there's more chance someone will come in behind you!" Daniell laughs and agrees.

Regardless of the size of the race, Daniell has many racing accomplishments under his belt. His 70-minute time is the record for the 10-kilometer for men over 60. And for the past three years he has won an Massachusetts race for anyone over 60.

What did he think his prospects were in Saturday's competition?

"Well, maybe they'll all be grade school kids," he laughed before race day, adding, "But most over seven can usually beat me."

Maybe. But let's wait and see how those youngsters are still "tracking" when they are 83.

On Saturday Warren Jr. ran 22:07; Beth ran 33:43; and Daniell ran 37:17. "That was a little better than I hoped," Daniell said at the end of the course.

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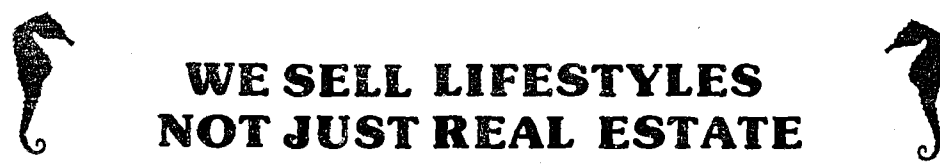
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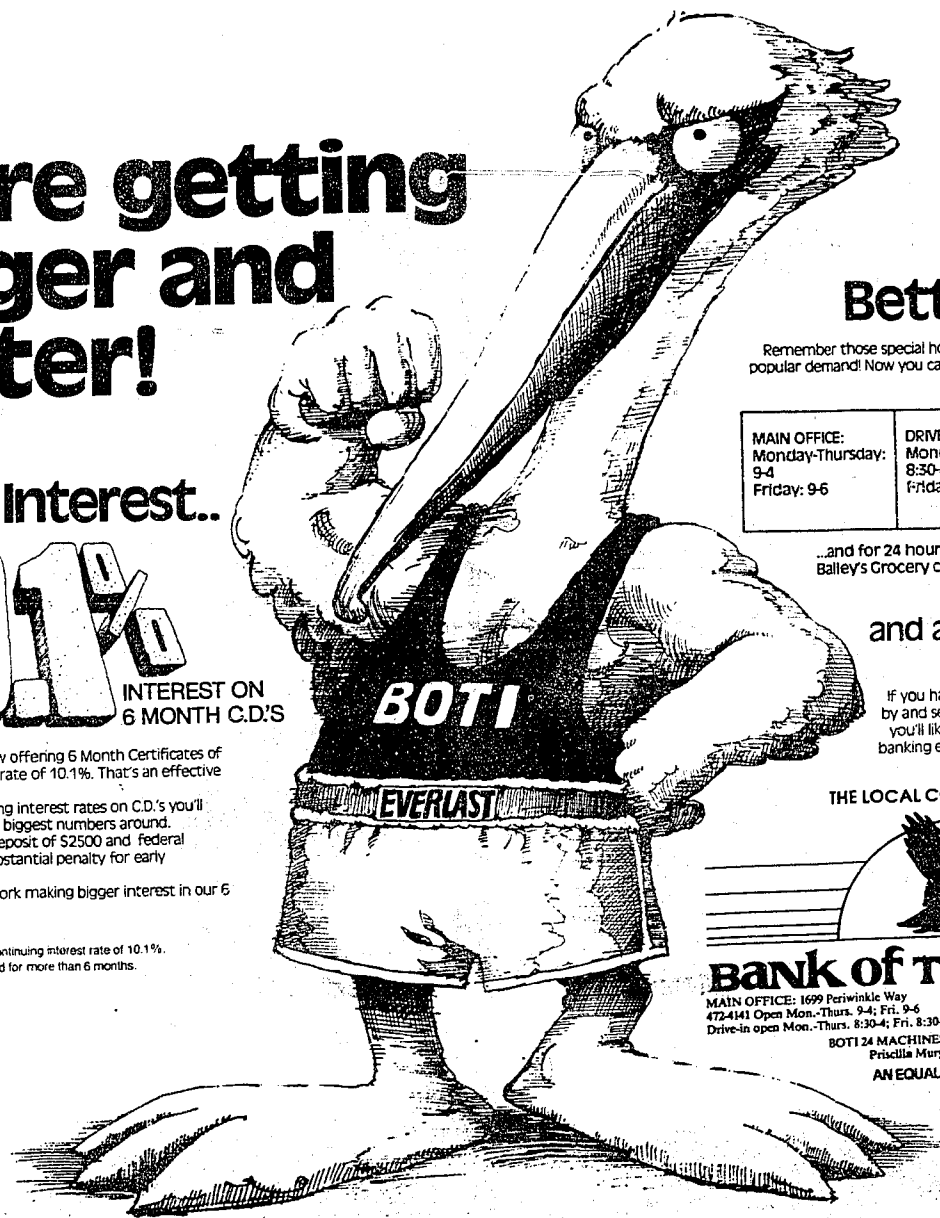
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Obituaries

William Sylvio Casparis

William Sylvio Casparis of Sanibel died at his home Jan. 16, 1984, following a long illness. He was 69.

He was born in Piqua, Ohio, Nov. 12, 1914 to Louise Orr and William Sylvio Casparis. He was formally president of Orr Felt and Blanket Company and lived in Piqua, Ohio for many years before moving to California. He moved to Sanibel eight years ago.

Survivors include his wife, Eileen Earl Casparis; a son, William Ryves Casparis of San Francisco, Calif.; and three daughters, Claire Ledbetter of Billings, Montana, Karen Sund and Shelly O'Sullivan of Los Angeles, Calif.; and five grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his brothers,

Morrison and Stanhope Casparis.

Memorial services was conducted at St. Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church on Sanibel Jan. 18, 1984.

In lieu of flowers the family asks that contributions be made to the American Cancer Society or the American Heart Association.

Collins Carter

A memorial service will be held for Collins Carter next Monday, Jan. 30, 1984, at 2 p.m. at St. Michael and all Angels Episcopal Church on Sanibel. Carter died last year, Jan. 30 would have been his birthday.

Harriet Hawkins

Sanibel residents learned last week of the death of long-time winter resident Harriet Hawkins of Ames, Iowa. Hawkins died Oct. 3, 1983 in Ames. She was 73.

She and her husband, Lewis Hawkins, spend many winters at Periwinkle Trailer Park, where they had many friends.

Hawkins graduated from Iowa State College with a bachelor's degree in applied science. After her marriage in 1937 she moved to Ames and operated the Harriet Hawkins Flower Shop.

She is survived by her husband, a daughter, Malinda Wiesner of Des Moines, Iowa; a brother, Eugene Olson of Adrian, Mich.; and a sister, Dorothy Daine; and two grandchildren.

Memorial services were held in Ames. Interment was at Ames Municipal Cemetery.

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City takes stand against proposal to slow erosion from page 1

ment project, Planning Director Bruce Rogers explained to the council last week. It is an alternate method to slow down erosion and is an experiment undertaken by the CEPD board, he added.

"The coastal engineers who testified as experts at the CEPD's presentation of its proposed beach renourishment project to the council late last year are not involved and do not endorse this practice as a deterrent to beach erosion," Rogers said.

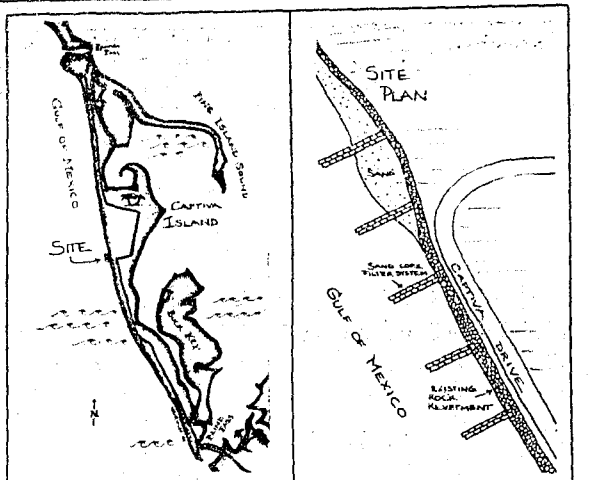
The sand-core filters constructed of sandbags will be filled onsite and laid 130 feet apart on filter cloth on a 650-foot stretch of the beach (see map).

Rogers said it is likely that because the project is so small and so far away from Sanibel it will have little effect on Sanibel's shoreline.

But it is possible that the filters will trap some sand and prevent its drift to the south, he said.

The letter points out that the "already armored Captiva shoreline diminishes the amount of sand coming toward Sanibel, and this proposed project would seem to further rob Sanibel of sand, at least until the filters were filled to capacity."

Copies of the letter were sent to the CEPD and to County Administrator Lavon Wisber.



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County will decide on renourishment tax from page 1

The exact percentage of respondents who approved the MSTU is still in doubt, however, the 517 figure used did not include the county's parcels on Captiva. And petitions are still coming in to the CEPD office — two arrived during the meeting Monday.

Commissioner Lloyd Wright's suggestion that the CEPD keep accepting the petitions was quickly squashed after Commissioner Chuck Bruning's admonition that the board had a "covenant" to stand by the Jan. 20 deadline.

Nevertheless, a separate note could go to the Lee County Commission indicating more petitions have been returned, the board agreed.

The next step for Captiva in the quest for a renourished beach will be a public hearing in front of the Lee County Commission. The CEPD decided the earliest date they could act, for would be Feb. 29.

What had been a quiet meeting turned into confrontation during the very last minutes of the

morning session.

Several accusations were made that certain commissioners had written letters to MSTU petitioners encouraging them to return the forms.

Both commissioners Wright and Burr quickly admitted contacting people whose petitions had not been returned.

"I acted as a private individual," Wright protested. "I called people, visited them and wrote them, and I will continue to do so until someone tells me it's not right. We have a duty to sell this thing."

In other CEPD business yesterday:

The board heard a presentation on another experimental project that would set up a series of "artificial nurseries" perpendicular to the beach. The nurseries would be "soft barriers" compared to groins, but they would still absorb wave action. Stone crabs and other sea life would feed on the barnacles that would grow on the nurseries, and the remains would mix with sand suspended already in

the water and fall to the ground, creating sand build-up. Marine biologist Mike Calinski, who presented the project, said the nursery habitat theoretically could "grow" about one cubic yard of beach sand a year for every five cubic meters of the project.

"Because of delays, including the extension of the MSTU petition deadline, the beach renourishment project timetable is at least a month behind schedule. The earliest a new beach could be pumped on Captiva is now July 1."

The CEPD strongly opposed letter from the city of Sanibel to the state Department of Natural Resources concerning the perpendicular sandbag groin experimental project. Sanibel officials said the project could possibly "rob Sanibel of sand" and asked for further studies. The CEPD countered that the experimental project is far from Sanibel, north of Tween Waters Inn. Burr said Sanibel has received more than its share of sand for years as the prime receiver of Captiva's eroding beaches.

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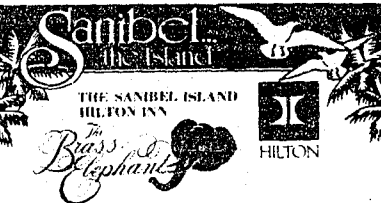
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The meeting is open to both members and non-members of CASI. Sanibel resident Sterling Bassett will lead the discussion. A member of Who's Who In Insurance and "name" at Lloyd's of London, Bassett's background includes 30 years of loss and claims adjusting. In 1962 he set up a self-insurance company, which now numbers 450 employees and has 65 offices nationwide. Although he is retired, Bassett remains involved in consulting on insurance matters and philosophies. After his discussion Wednesday he will open the meeting for questions from the floor.

Rotarians hear about license plates

Seventy members and guests attended the regular breakfast meeting of the Sanibel-Captiva Rotary Club last Friday, Jan. 20. President Bob Dellorto reminded members about the Rotary Foundation workshop that will take place at the Bell Tower shopping center in Fort Myers this Saturday, Jan. 28. Details of the Rotary Foundation, the scholarships it grants and requirements for fellowships will be discussed. Applications for Rotary Foundation scholarships should be in by March 15 and should be directed to the district committee. The island club received a plaque from Edison Community College in recognition of the club's scholarship donations. Guest speaker for the morning was David Epstein, doctor of dental surgery. But Epstein did not talk about dentures or dental plates — his discussion was about license plates, which he collects. He showed many unusual license plates from his collection, including some dated 1914.

Retired persons enjoy three-day trip

Members of the Sanibel-Captiva chapter of the American Association of Retired Persons enjoyed a three-day trip to EPCOT and Walt Disney World last week. This was the first such outing the chapter offered its members, and the enthusiasm of all involved indicated it will not be the last. Program directors Norwood and Carolina Melcher are making plans for future outings. The next meeting of the chapter will take place at 1 p.m. Friday, Feb. 10, at the Sanibel Community Association hall.

The AARP defensive driving course, "55 and Alive" will be offered at the Sanibel Library at 1 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 11, and Monday, Feb. 13. For more information call Dorothy Shelton, 472-5517.

St. Isabel women will meet Jan. 30

St. Isabel Women's Guild will meet after 8:30 a.m. Mass next Monday, Jan. 30. All visitors and winter residents are welcome and encouraged to attend. Many hands are needed to complete several interesting projects. Come and enjoy the fellowship.

Sanibel women voters plan election laws discussion

Sanibel's League of Women Voters will hold a discussion of Florida election laws with one of the senior deputy registrars of Lee County at the league meeting at 9:30 a.m. this Friday, Jan. 27, at the Sanibel Library. Over the years the league has adopted positions under which they could take action, but because

regulations change, the state convention of the league has voted to review its stands to ascertain if the laws are still applicable and if they accurately reflect the views of the members.

The Sanibel league has begun the study of background information and on Friday will discuss with local election officials the questions that have been raised. The meeting is open to the public. For more information call Louise Vargish, 472-2138. The Lee County league will vote on concurrence at its March meeting.

Anglers plan open house

The South West Anglers Club will hold its annual open house at the Sanibel Community Association hall at 7:30 p.m. this Wednesday, Jan. 25. Capt. Ted Cole, professional charter guide out of Sanibel Marina, will be the featured speaker. He will discuss techniques for bay fishing. Club members will give mini-clinics on freshwater fishing, pier fishing and offshore fishing. Admission is free and the public is invited. For more information call 472-2645.

Bill Read from page 4A

Usually all it takes is to struggle through an article on a subject like semantics, deconstruction or postmodernism — to take three fashionable buzzwords in the field of literary criticism to cure you of speculation. We also subscribe to Foreign Affairs. The "flagship" publication of the foreign policy establishment, this quarterly must qualify as the most unread periodical of the whole bunch — at least in our house. There are usually two kinds of articles: those ghost-written for statesmen, which though readable either don't say anything or are self-serving, and those written by people who have

something important to say but don't know how to say it. I don't know why I keep taking it, although it does fill up empty space in our library.

Finally I bring up the New Yorker problem. This is a beautifully put together weekly that has great cartoons and publishes some good fiction. The only trouble is the New Yorker sells so many ads its writers have to write "long" to fill up the additional space made possible by these ads. Thus the reader is afflicted with interminable articles in the middle of the magazine, often about subjects that don't really interest you and that in themselves would take a week to read. All of my adult life, I have oscillated between

taking the New Yorker and worrying over the fact that I don't read it all and not taking it and worrying about what I am missing. Life is indeed difficult! Right now, we're in a fallow period where the New Yorker does not grace our coffee table.

There you have it. This year it looks like Time, New York Review, Harpers, the Atlantic, Bon Appetit, Better Homes and Gardens and Foreign Affairs. Having gone through this excruciating exercise, I guess it is now time to turn to our tax forms.

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Melaleuca label removed from page 9A

the mandatory implications. She accused the council of "playing God." "Leave the growing to God," Gold advised the council, adding, "Let us enjoy the fruits of our labor in the peace and quiet for which we came to Sanibel."

Jimmy Cipriani, who spearheaded the melaleuca protest movement and is zealously guarding his yard that is

full of the trees, maintained there is no proof the trees are harmful.

"I've probably spent more years among melaleucas than you've lived," he told the 27-year-old Patric.

But Johnson contended there is scientific proof that a proliferation of the melaleuca would be harmful to the island environment.

Applicants sought from page 6A

the council that Ann Winterbotham has been elected chairman of the Live Shelling Committee. She replaces Dr. K.C. Emerson, who succeeds Dr. Bill

Webb as chairman of the Vegetation Committee. Webb is the new chairman of the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation.

Public Health Committee revival considered

The question of whether to revive the city's Public Health Committee has been deferred until the need for such a committee can be determined. The committee was dissolved two years ago.

City Manager Bernie Murphy pointed out that in Florida public health is the county's responsibility.

The seven-member committee was established in January 1975 to advise matters designed to protect the public health and safety. Areas of concern included control and prevention of disease, accident prevention, pollution control, solid waste disposal,

pesticides usage, recreational sanitation and safety.

But after reading a file of the minutes of the committee meetings over a six-year period, Councilman Bill Hagerup concluded the committee never functioned under the mandate outlined in the original resolution.

"The outline was so broad, I honestly believe they didn't know what the hell they were supposed to be doing," Hagerup said.

George Campbell, a member of the committee when it was declared defunct in January 1982, had suggested the council re-examine the subject.

MUNICIPAL RECORDS

Planning agencies receive proposal regulating satellite dish antennae

A proposed ordinance regulating and setting standards for the installation of television dish antennae on Sanibel has been sent to state, regional and county planning agencies for review and comment.

As a general amendment to Sanibel's Comprehensive Land Use Plan the ordinance provisions will

apply to principal and accessory use earth stations in both residential and commercially zoned areas.

Mayor Fred Vaitin said the provision in the draft ordinance that limits earth stations to one per parcel might create problems for Cable Vision of the Islands.

Vaitin pointed out that he no longer

has a conflict of interest because he has not been connected with Cablevision for more than six months.

But he said if the provision stands Cablevision would need a specific amendment to install a second satellite dish at its present site off Sanibel Boulevard.

Vaitin's colleagues did not regard

this as "much of a problem."

The planning agencies have 60 days to respond to the ordinance. Then the proposed draft will come before the council for two public hearings before final adoption.

Public Health Committee revival considered

and a nurse with public health experience persons with expertise in sanitation, sewage disposal and water quality.

Urban Palmer said that there is a need for more frequent inspection of

sanitation at food operations on the Island.

Murphy said the Lee County Health Department performs this function.

Though none of the council was enthusiastic about reactivating the

Public Health Committee, Murphy was asked to check out the need with members of Sanibel's medical community as well as with experts in the related fields.

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Final action sets 1 a.m. closing for bars

It is now the law on Sanibel. Sale of alcoholic beverages for on-premise consumption is forbidden between 1 and 7 a.m. Monday through Saturday and between 1 and 10:30 a.m. Sunday.

Last Tuesday the City Council unanimously approved on second reading an ordinance changing the closing hour for bars and lounges from 2 a.m. to 1 a.m.

Police Chief John Butler had

recommended midnight as the cut-off time, citing police statistics that showed the incidence of arrests for DWI and disturbances on the island more than doubled after midnight.

The council agreed to Fire Chief Fred Rere's stipulation that if the fire

supported the midnight closing, but he called the 1 a.m. compromise a "step in the right direction."

\$1 buys fire department tanker for city

The City Council accepted with gratitude an offer from the Sanibel Fire Control District to sell its old tanker truck to the city for \$1.

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The council agreed to Fire Chief Fred Rere's stipulation that if the fire

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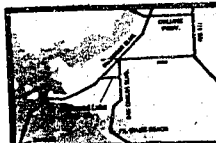
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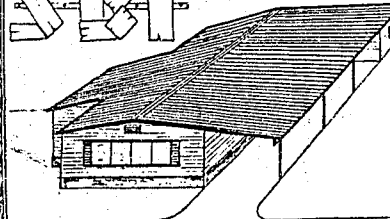
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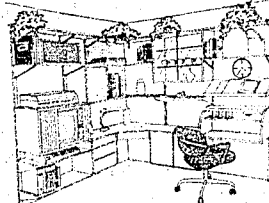
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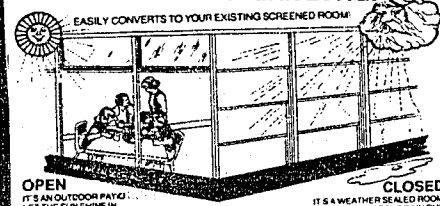
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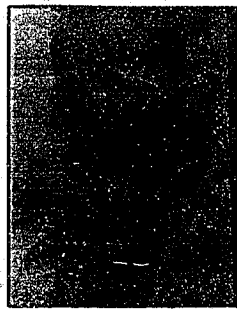


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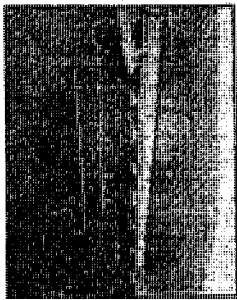
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Section B

Controlling the melaleuca

Tongue-in-cheek Koala bear suggestion reminds Campbell of similar situation

By George Campbell

Illustrated by Ann Winterbotham

A few weeks ago during the heat of the melaleuca frenzy, Betty Anholt wrote a letter to the editor humorously suggesting that since the melaleuca tree is related to the eucalyptus, perhaps Sanibel should introduce Koala "bears" to be a natural control agent.

Anholt's suggestion, made in jest, was certainly needed about that point because the armies were assembling and the kiddos were being drawn. The generals were bringing up their heavy artillery, and war was about to break out at any moment.

Perhaps her humorous suggestion cooled down the potential bloodshed. It also reminded me of an incident relating to the melaleuca that I will share with you.

The melaleuca is indeed a relative of the many species of eucalyptus, and it is quite true that the Koala feeds upon eucalyptus. But the Koala is very selective and feeds only on some 20 species. Its main diet consists of only one species, *Eucalyptus viminalis*, the "Sugar Gum."

The leaves of the Sugar Gum must be in a certain stage of development. At the wrong stage, prussic acid, which could be lethal to the Koala, develops in the leaves. Because of these nutritional complications it is not possible to employ the Koala as a natural control agent of the melaleuca, although one must credit Betty Anholt with a keen sense of humor and a vivid imagination.

For many years here on Sanibel I had a large cage full of sugar gliders — tiny little animals that, if you didn't look closely, you would have confused with flying squirrels.

Sugar gliders look like flying squirrels. They have the big, limpid eyes shared by many nocturnal mammals, and their grayish-black and yellowish fur is reminiscent of the flying squirrels of eastern North America, *Glaucomys volans*.

Although they are not rodents, Australian sugar gliders, *Petaurus*, have evolved rodent-like incisor teeth so that unless your skills include dental anatomy you might even think these marsupials are rodents.

They, too, have developed the "flight umbrella" similar to that of the flying squirrels. This consists of two flaps of furred skin, one on each side of the animal, each extending from a front leg to the hind leg on the same side. When the legs are out-stretched, so is the umbrella. The belly skin and the umbrella form an airfoil that allows the little creature to "fly."

It does not fly in the same course as a bird or a bat — actually, it glides. The flattened tail aids in gliding, too, especially as a guidance rudder.

Both the flying squirrel and the sugar glider have evolved this kind of airfoil independently, a phenomenon called parallel evolution.

The animals climb high in a tree and hurl themselves into space, spreading the umbrella as they glide to a lower part of another tree

that might be 200 feet away. They scamper up the new tree searching for nectar, insects and flowers, and then launch themselves once more into space repeating the performance. Thus they work over their territories each night.

I scouted my initial sugar gliders from the Miami Zoo, where then-director Dr. Gordon Hubbell, the noted shark authority, swapped them for some rare snakes I had captured in the Turks and Caicos.

I came to Sanibel with three sugar gliders, the first that had ever been seen here. There were two females and one male. They were immediately ensconced in a large, roomy cage with perches, nest boxes and other props and soon felt quite at home.

Their angry chatter during the daytime when they would be awakened (for these creatures are truly nocturnal) sounded something like a high-speed electric motor that was just about ready to burn up its bearings.

They were nifty little creatures, no larger than a hamster, busy-tailed and big-eyed. But being marsupials, they were non-placental and, as with all marsupials, the young were born at an early stage of their ontogeny after only three weeks of gestation.

Upon being expelled from the birth canal these young creatures use their strong forelimbs to climb toward the pouch along a path in the fur licked damp by the mother's saliva. That these almost completely undeveloped animals manage to find their way up the belly of the female to the pouch, where they firmly attach themselves onto teats, is little short of miraculous. There they remain for some four months, developing into miniatures of the adult. At first they look like a bunch of little pink grapes hanging in, sometimes partly outside, the mother's pouch.

The sugar glider's pouch is not quite so well developed as the kangaroo's pouch. I'm sure you have seen pictures of the "Joey," as baby kangaroos are called, with its head sticking out of its mother's pouch. Baby sugar gliders more often seem to hang from the mother's underside until quite grown, when they will ride on her back.

This pouch-and-marsupial system has proved very successful. The fossil record indicates that marsupials originated in the New World when South America was connected with what is now Australia and what is today's Antarctic continent.

Early marsupials found their way to Australasia from South America via Antarctica. Later when the continental plates separated, the Australian continent became isolated from Antarctica and South America. Marsupials prospered abundantly in Australia, where competition from placental mammals hardly existed.

This route of origin of the non-placental marsupials in Australia has been confirmed by marsupial fossil remains found in present-day Antarctica.

Of course there are still a dozen or so



marsupials native to the Americas, and one is right here on Sanibel — our Virginia opossum, *Didelphis virginiana*.

In any case, for many years I enjoyed raising sugar gliders, and many of my friends also found the beautiful little creatures of interest. I managed to raise many dozens of them, some of which were given to zoos throughout the country.

On one occasion about six years ago I realized my sugar gliders needed a bit of new vegetation on which to climb around in their cage. I always tried to keep the cage well supplied with sticks and perches to make life more interesting for the captives. So I cut some fresh branches of Melaleuca quinquangervia, the Punk Tree, or Dead Man's skin, or Cajepul — you pick a name you like.

The branches happened to be in full bloom when I placed them, flowers and all, in the cage one day while the creatures were asleep. Of course I disturbed them, and they turned on their ball bearing engulfs and howled their protests at me in their strange way.

But come sundown, they emerged from their den — and did they ever have a picnic! They crawled all over the new fresh branches of melaleuca, gobbling up the flowers and scattering debris all about.

Their enthusiasm for melaleuca was unbelievable. In ensuing months, whenever I could find blooming melaleuca branches I would provide them to these creatures. Every time they went absolutely bonkers over melaleuca flowers.

The thought then occurred to me, and has again flowered since Betty Anholt's humorous letter to the editor, that possibly the sugar glider could be introduced to the melaleuca forests of Florida and just might conceivably be the biological control agent we are all looking for.

It seems to me that if there were enough of them, and if the animals ate the flowers, there wouldn't be the googols of micro-seeds blown around this state that we have now, and there could be a substantial reduction in the melaleuca forest — perhaps even sufficient control to render the tree free of its noxious appellation "noxious."

Now I'm not going to rush out immediately and release a few hundred sugar gliders on Sanibel or anywhere else in Florida for that matter. I am well aware of the risks involved in the introduction of alien animals. Nearly always such efforts are failures. Consider the marine toad that was brought to Florida to control the cane beetle and now is rampant all over the place — even as far north as Tampa. Witness the red-whiskered bulbul, which is a lovely Indian bird but which is destroying much fruit in Florida today. And of course there is the *Clarias* catfish, the so-called "walking" catfish that is immensely damaging to our freshwater fishery.

I've said enough about both plant and animal exotics. In the past the anybody who knows me realizes I do not advocate the widespread employment of exotics for control purposes because it usually fails.

However, if there isn't any other way to get at melaleuca in Florida, and if we continue to have the stubborn people who oppose its eradication on Sanibel, the introduction of a biological agent might be the only answer.

At least there wouldn't be any argument about it. Somebody would simply release the creatures and that would be the end of it. Nature would then take its course. As stated above, I am not contemplating this action, but if anybody is interested, I could tell them where they can get all the sugar gliders they want.

Film examines the movement of sand

The J.N. "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge will show a film entitled "Beach: A River of Sand" at 1 p.m. this Wednesday, Jan. 25, and at 3 p.m. this Saturday, Jan. 28.

The film examines movement and deposition of sand, which in turn affects island building and

erosion.

The film will be shown in the auditorium of the Visitor Center on refuge grounds off Sanibel-Captiva Road near the Sanibel Elementary School.

Also shown at the refuge at 10:30 a.m. and 12:30, 2:30 and 4:30 p.m. every day of the week is a 15-

minute slide-tape program that provides a general introduction to the refuge and its wildlife.

For more information on programs at the refuge, call 472-1100.

Coming up Tuesday At the wildlife refuge

Slide presentation highlights manatees

Today's program at the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Center will feature Kip Frolich from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. He will present a slide presentation on local research findings on Florida manatees.

The program is part of the weekly series held at 2 p.m. every Tuesday at the SCCF center on Sanibel-Captiva Road.

Next Tuesday John Snow from the Florida Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission will give a slide

presentation on the Cecil Webb Wildlife Station. The show will include information about the type of wildlife at the station and what recreational facilities are available there.

Audubon entertainment

Lecture focuses on Cayo Costa plants and wildlife

A slide lecture on the plant and wildlife communities of Cayo Costa, the barrier island just north of Upper Captiva, will be presented at the Sanibel-Captiva Audubon Society program at 8 p.m. this Thursday, Jan. 26, at the Sanibel Community Association hall.

The presentation will be made by Roger Clark,

manager of the Cayo Costa nature preserve that is owned by the state of Florida.

Clark's activities on behalf of the Florida Department of Natural Resources cover the waters surrounding Cayo Costa as well as the unique botanical and animal features of the island. He is well qualified for the task. He graduated from North

Carolina State University with a degree in biology before starting his career as a naturalist-teacher at the museum of the Academy of Natural Sciences in Philadelphia. His first post in Florida was as director of the Lee County Nature Center.

Audubon expedition students make stop on Sanibel

By Janie Westall

Forty students of the National Audubon Society Expedition Institute (AEI) visited the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation last week.

The students have been touring the country since September under the direction of Dr. Michael Cohen and his wife, DIANA, AEI creators, along with staff member Dan Tishman. They will complete their "schoolhouse on wheels" hands-on learning experience in May.

AEI offers both bachelors and masters degrees in the travel-study program that is sponsored in conjunction with the Lesley College Graduate School in Cambridge, Mass.

Traveling by day and camping by night, the students profit from real-life encounters with

environmental issues and community processes.

To this end, Dr. William Webb, Professor Emeritus of ecology at the State University of New York at Syracuse and chairman of the board of SCCF, spoke to the students on a variety of environmental subjects. He discussed the geological and ecological history of Sanibel along with the protective functions of the city and its Comprehensive Land Use Plan.

The class showed great interest in Sanibel as a unique community in terms of governmental restrictions on growth and alternative land use plans.

After spending the day at SCCF and the J.N. "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge, the students continued on their educational sojourn through Florida and southeastern United States.

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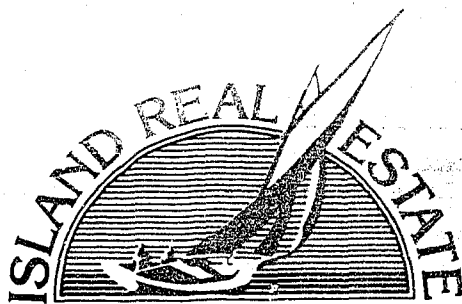
Meeting will examine duties of SCCF gift shop volunteers

All gift shop volunteers at the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation should plan to attend a meeting at 10 a.m. Monday, Jan. 31, at the SCCF

center on Sanibel-Captiva Road.

The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the duties and responsibilities of the volunteers and how this

work relates to the policies of the foundation. Regular workers and substitutes should plan to attend.



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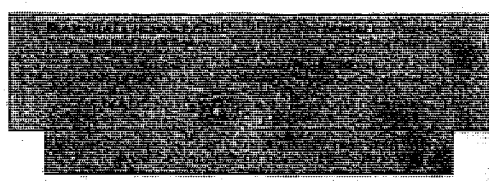
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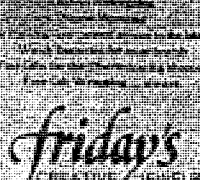
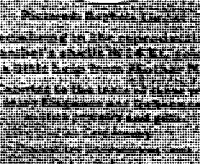
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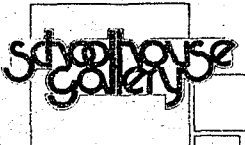
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ON THE WATER

By Captain Mike Fuery

The lowly, often despised saltwater catfish is perhaps one of the most puzzling, felisty, but feared fish in our local waters.

The catfish gets, and deserves, much verbal abuse from many anglers. This confirmed bait stealer has fooled many an angler and caused many a tourist to swear off ever eating any kind of catfish after trying one of our saltwater "cats."

Technically, the catfish is *artus felis*. If you want to make use of your Latin, you know that "felis" is a cousin of feline, "cat" for short. The fish has a set of whiskers that protrude from the lower lip — similarities like this make great stories about how the fish was named.

Some folks have told me they believe the fish was so named because only cats would eat its red, odorous flesh. My pet pelican won't eat the "cat," and hardly any other bird will bother with the meat of this unusual fish.

Of all the fishes, including sharks, I bet that by far more people have been injured by catfish than any

other fish in our waters.

Cats have three sharp barbels on their bony heads. Two are in fins on the sides of the head; the third is at the top of the head to the rear of the skull.

The common saltwater catfish has a close cousin. It's called a gafftopsail catfish. This is a much more attractive fish, if you can say that about any of these fish. The gafftop cat is more blue and has a white belly. The common cat is grey.

Lots of people eat catfish and like it. But if they know what they are doing, they only take the gafftopsail variety. Many northern anglers catch and eat freshwater catfish that sometimes are called "hard heads." These are very good on the table.

There is a distinct difference, however, between the salt and the freshwater fish. It is not unusual at all to see some proud angler come back to our docks at Tween Waters Marina in a rental boat — loaded down with common catfish. It's not easy to tell the fellow his great fishing "luck" was not as good as he or she might have thought.

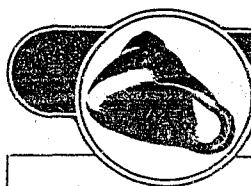
The worst part is to see someone down at the free fishing pier or along the beach actually clean (or try to) their catch of saltwater cats and take them home for the family.

Don't judge all saltwater fish by the taste of the catfish. Usually, I have a way of cooking the various fish we talk about each week, but when it comes to the catfish, I think they are better off released.

One of my anglers the other day said he brought there were more catfish around the Islands than ever before.

Just think of all the catfish that are returned to the water. But hardly any eating fish, like trout or redfish, are released. The results might be that one day the catfish will be so dominant it will virtually eliminate the others in the natural competition for food.

In the meantime, things look good for catching most of our local fish, even though you might have to put up with an occasional pesky cat. Good fishing this week.



SHELLING TIPS

By Captain Mike Fuery

I wonder if Sanibel will ever be light enough to float down the coast one day? Here's why I ask. Think of the amount of weight taken off the Island each day by shell collectors and those who like to take home a bucket of sand.

One person the other day had an interesting point. She wondered if the continued taking of thousands of sea shells over a prolonged period would eventually affect beach erosion.

There might be some truth to it. It is known that shells on the floor of the Gulf of Mexico do hold sand in place somewhat. The pen shell is a prime example.

The weighty problem of Sanibel getting light enough to float off, though, is not of much concern to many people. But it might be interesting to station a person at the toll booth on the Causeway to estimate the pounds of shells that leave the Islands on a busy weekend.

It's not unusual to find a family of four, each with his own bag of shells. It doesn't take long to get a

pound when you have a dozen cockles or some of those old worn surf clams. We'll probably never know how many shells are taken per year, but it might be an interesting statistic.

And I expect it would be difficult to prove that less shells off the beaches means more erosion in the future. The shells on one good shelling beach on isolated North Captiva Island actually are increasing in size and number.

One fellow shelling with me one time asked why, if people on Sanibel and Captiva are so concerned about rebuilding and maintaining the live shell population, don't we start a shell farm?

He said we could collect adults, place them in a controlled situation where they could breed, and then place the young shells back out where their numbers are thin.

Intiguing thought. Could it be possible to start a shell farm on some restricted mud bar in Pine Island Sound? We might have to place a chicken wire fence around the farm, just as you would a real

farm to keep the animals on site.

Oyster growing has been tried in various parts of the world in an effort to get more pearls, and I've heard clams often are planted in likely growing areas. I think I read something like that concerning scallops, too.

Will we have Florida's first underwater shell farm one day? Sounds kind of far out, but it's something to think about if the live shell population takes a nose dive for one reason or another.

As for now, yes, the Island is getting lighter with every load of shells that leaves. But, no, you aren't in any immediate danger of having to evacuate.

Good shelling this week. The Turner Beach area between Sanibel and Captiva still produces a good assortment of local shells. Get there early.

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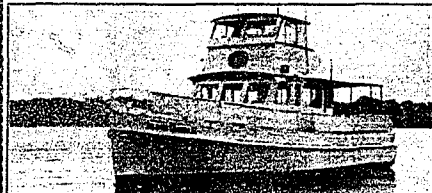
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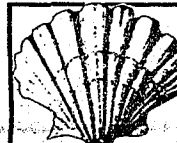
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ISLANDER SPORTS

By Scott Martell

Sanibel Glass, Sunbelt Sports lead in basketball



Sanibel Glass clinched first place in the Sanibel Recreational Basketball League last week, while Sunbelt Sports grabbed a tenuous hold onto the second place spot.

Tonight's games mark the end of the regular season for island hoopsters. The championship tournament will take place this weekend, Jan. 28-29.

Last Tuesday, Sunbelt Sports beat South Seas, 50-47; Windsurfing beat Arnolds, 56-46; Sanibel Glass beat Timbers, 65-58; and Island Medical Center beat Hurricane House, 56-53.

Those games left three teams were tied for second place — South Seas, Timbers and Sunbelt Sports. Thursday's games proved critical in the standings.

First, Sunbelt Sports beat Timbers, 69-56, in overtime. Timbers led 26-20 at halftime. But at the end of regulation play the score was knotted, 50-50. But Timbers went into overtime with only four players on the court, and Sunbelt Sports' Harry Jordan and Jamie Phillips shot far ahead for the victory.

Sunbelt Sports was led by Jordan with 23 points and Phillips with 18, 16 of which were after the half. Timbers was led by Bob Christy with 20 points.

In another critical game Thursday, Sanibel Glass beat South Seas, 91-71, in what was a closer game than the final score would indicate. Sanibel Glass

was up 50-42 at halftime but led only by two, 53-50, two minutes into the second half. The teams headed down the stretch neck and neck until the final three minutes of the game, when Sanibel Glass gained their large lead.

Sanibel Glass was led by John Owens with 24 points and Mike Powell with 22, 20 of which he scored in the first half. South Seas was led by Brian Hart and Ron Haven with 18 points each.

In other games Thursday, Island Medical Center made it four victories to a row by defeating Windsurfing, 53-51; and Hurricane House beat Arnolds, 69-59.

This week's games include: 7 p.m. Tuesday — Sunbelt Sports vs. Hurricane House; South Seas vs. Island Medical Center; Timbers vs. Arnolds; and Sanibel Glass vs. Windsurfing.

The standings as of Monday, Jan. 23 were: Sanibel Glass, 12-1; Sunbelt Sports, 8-5; South Seas, 7-6; Timbers, 7-6; Island Medical Center, 6-7; Windsurfing, 5-8; Hurricane House, 4-9; Arnolds, 3-10.

In Fort Myers league play

Sanibel's two volleyball teams face off

Wednesday night will be one of hard hitting volleyball as the Spikers and the Slammers, Sanibel's two adult volleyball squads, face each other in Fort Myers City league action.

Game time is 8:45 p.m., at the Fort Myers Recreation Center off Evans Ave.

The two teams warmed up for the match in different fashion last week. The Spikers won two of three games Wednesday, while the Slammers lost a forfeit due to lack of women on the team. Teams in the league must have three women; the Slammers only had two last week.

Two more women are joining the team this week, says Coach Fred Mueller.

Meanwhile, the Spikers lost their first game to Naples Federal, 15-9, but came back to win the next two games, 15-12, 15-12.

"If we keep winning two out of three games, we should be in pretty good shape," coach Heather Gillespie said. So far, in two season matches the team has twice won two out of three and now has a 4-2 record this season.

Gillespie singled out Casey Shaw for getting the team together after a slow start.

SPORTS SHORTS

Sports quiz

Most Islanders seem to know their Super Bowl trivia. "Jimmy the Greek," Peggy Friar, John Wickham and Dick Trauch, all knew both parts of last week's quiz.

All knew Miami beat the Washington Redskins in Super Bowl VII. The score in that game was 14-7. The only Redskins touchdown came on a fumble by Dolphins place kicker Garo Yepremian.

Also, all sports fans knew that Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid were the Miami runningback duo of Larry Csonka and Jim Kilick.

This week we leave football behind and turn to basketball. First, was Walt Chamberlain the first player to score 20,000 points in the NBA? And second, what former NBA player was known as "Earl the Pearl?"

If you think you know, give us a call at 472-5185. If you're right we'll print your name in next week's Islander.

Little league

It's not too late for young ball players to sign up for little league softball this season.

A second sign-up will take place at the playing fields by the Sanibel Elementary School this Saturday, Jan. 28, between 10 a.m. and noon. After the sign-up, players will be matched up with vacant spots on last year's teams.

February will see the playing field full of spirited ball players in "spring training." The regular season will begin in March.

Beachview men's golf

Twenty-six men turned out for tournament play at the Beachview Men's Golf Association Saturday, Jan. 21. Two teams tied for 1st place with plus four. The second place team with plus three included Bob Beth, Dave Wooster, Bud Bergeyone and Les Soell.

On Monday, Jan. 16, 32 men from Beachview went to the Port LaBelle Ox Bow golf course for an off-island tournament. The winners for best (4) ball were Jeff Dean, Les Soell, Rudy Mikulak and Bill Alquist. The winners for best (2) ball were Bob Beth and Bud Ristow.

Dunes men's golf

The Dunes men played a point-total tournament Wednesday, Jan. 11. In the first nine holes of competition, two teams tied for first place. One team included J. Minor, S. Stevens, J. Ayers and J. Seabrooke. The other team included B. Verdane, M. Ogle, C. Glendon and G. Christensen.

Placing second in the first nine was the team of R. Arthur, A. Van Haste, J. Seabrooke and O. Clark.

In back nine competition the team including Verdane, Ogle, Glendon and Christensen took first place. This is the same team that tied for first in the front nine.

And placing second in the back nine was a team including T. Cornelius, S. Clark, R. Wilhoit and C. Collins.

Rec center closes

The city's recreation complex will be closed this Saturday, Jan. 28, and Sunday, Jan. 29, for the island basketball tournament.

Dunes men's tennis

The Dunes Men's Tennis Team defeated a team from the Cape Coral Yacht Club 3-2 on Jan. 21 at the Dunes. The results were: Horak and Muench over Wentworth and Guenther 6-4, 6-0; Ridell and Smith over Olson and Bentley 6-3, 6-2; Gioacchini and Van Cleet (Cape Coral) over Buchsbaum and Anderson 4-6, 6-1, 6-2; Alberty and Beaujolais (Cape Coral) over Robertson and Bradley 6-4, 6-0; Angst and Kiddoo over Williamson and Picciotto 6-3, 6-3.

Beachview women's golf

The winners in Beachview Women's Golf Association play Jan. 18 included a tie for first team with a plus eight. One team included Jean Coraco, Agnes McClintock, Kay Reynolds and Arline Mercer. The other team included Joy Benedict, Margo Reck and L. Waldo.

The hi-individual with plus six was Jean Coraco. Placing second was Joy Benedict with plus five.

The Robbie Wilson Women's Association championship Tourney is currently being played.

Lyric Chamber Ensemble returns to Sanibel

By Julie Neidenfuer

For the third time in as many years, the Chicago Lyric Chamber Ensemble is back on Sanibel to perform for island residents and visitors in a week-long series of concerts.

What prompts this talented quintet to return to Sanibel from the Windy City each year, and what brought them here in the first place? The story begins with Marilyn Lauriente, the group's clarinetist.

Lauriente first came to Florida several years ago when she landed her first professional job as a musician with the Florida Symphony. During her year-long position with the orchestra, she discovered the Islands and was taken by their charm.

When a scholarship offer came along, Lauriente left Florida in favor of furthering her music studies in Europe. But the die had been cast. "Something kept calling me back," she recalls. And no matter where she lived, she kept returning to Sanibel until she eventually bought a cottage here.

It was about that time that Barrier Island Group for the Arts was trying to get established. President Pete Smith was attempting to get the fledgling organization off the ground by attracting musicians and theatre groups to the Islands to perform.

Lauriente happened to hear about the effort. She had always wanted to form a chamber group, and now she had her chance.

Certain she could organize an ensemble to perform on Sanibel, she prepared a presentation for BIG Arts. "I was sure of it if BIG Arts would pay expenses to get us here and house us," she says.

BIG Arts bought the idea and the following year, 1982, the ensemble made its debut on the Islands. The musicians stayed with Sanibel residents Ginny and Tom Johnson.

"They are the most wonderful people I've ever met," Lauriente says about the Sanibel couple who has hosted the group every year.

The first year was an smashing success. "The group loved it, and the island loved the group," she says.

This time Thistle Lodge hosted the main concert per-

formance that year. That event was a hit, but it did not prepare the musicians for the following year when they performed at "Tween Waters Inn on Captiva." "People were clamoring for tickets," Lauriente recalls. "The room was too small!"

So when the group planned its schedule of performances for this year's stint on Sanibel, they decided to include more performances and give more people the opportunity to see them.

When they're not performing on the Islands, most of the members of the group play with the Chicago Lyric Opera Orchestra. They are currently on a break from their six-month contract, and when they return to Illinois the first of February they will perform with the American Ballet Theatre.

Lauriente compares the orchestra with Sanibel's art group. "BIG Arts is a self-governing organization like the Chicago Lyric Orchestra. They

saw that people were leaving the Islands because there was not enough culture. They had an idealistic idea and put it into effect.

"Chicago is like the Islands," she adds. "There are those who find it easy to sit back and criticize. But concerts go on and go on well. BIG Arts is continuing and growing."

She feels former BIG Arts president Marty Graagreen deserves a lot of credit. "We couldn't have done it without his enthusiasm. He used wonderful imagination and he got things done."

Since their first appearance here three years ago, the group has been comprised of the same members, with the exception of the cellist who is no longer with the ensemble. So far the absence of a cello hasn't posed too large a problem, Lauriente says. "There is still plenty of music to play."

Several chances remain to see ensemble perform

The ensemble's remaining schedule of performances on Sanibel is as follows:

Today, Tuesday, Jan. 24 — "A Little Afternoon Music" — At 3 p.m. the ensemble will give a free concert at the Sanibel Library featuring music by Ibert and Bruch. The performance will end with a selection of harp music by Elizabeth Cifari.

Wednesday, Jan. 25 — "On the Mall at City Hall" — At 1 p.m. the courtyard at Sanibel's new City Hall will provide the backdrop for a free concert.

Thursday, Jan. 26 — "An Evening in Concert" — At 8 p.m. the Sundial will host the ensemble in the Sanibel-Captiva room. Violinist Elaine Skrodova will perform a virtuoso solo of "Scottish Fantasia." Reservations can be made by calling 472-1387. Admission is \$6.50. Light refreshments will be served.

Saturday, Jan. 28 — "Each on the Beach" — As its grand finale the ensemble will perform this popular concert at the Lighthouse Bench on the east end of Sanibel. Performance time is 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Light refreshments will be served at this free event.



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Cornell Glee Club delights island crowd

By Mark Johnson
The Cornell University Glee Club under the direction of Professor Thomas Sokol presented a free concert last Wednesday evening at the Tortuga Beach Club.
Visiting Southwest Florida as part of a concert tour of the East Coast, the 48-member group performed a wide selection of music to the delight of approximately 150 people in the audience.
The concert was held under the stars on the patio surrounding the Tortuga Beach Club pool. It was the second

visit for the Glee Club to Southwest Florida. They were here while on a concert tour in 1981.
The touring group is only part of the 65-member Glee club that boasts members from across the country and around the world.
The group's performance on Sanibel was sponsored by Mariner Properties as part of a five-part series of concerts in various Mariner resorts throughout Southwest Florida. The club also made two appearances in the area with the Southwest Florida Symphony.



The Cornell Glee Club at Tortuga Beach condominiums. Photo by Mark Johnson.

Plans shape up for ABC Sale

Smart shoppers could furnish a house with bargains from the Captiva ABC Sale set for Saturday, Feb. 25.
Co-chairmen Barbara Jones, Peg Hofschneider, and Bob and Sue Manderscheid reported last week they have received many pieces of new and used furniture, rugs, draperies, linens, appliances and other useful items that will be offered at the sale from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Captiva Community Center.

And with promises of more to come, the ABC Sale committee has placed a 40-foot truck on the grounds to accommodate the expected donations.

There's much activity behind the scenes, too, with Captiva's cooks and gardeners busily preparing their contributions for the annual event.

Committee chairmen will welcome special items for the auction that will highlight the sale. Dewitt Jones, president of the Captiva Civic Association, will wield the gavel as is customary at the sale.

A raffle of goods and services donated by Captiva merchants will add to the excitement. Proceeds will go to the Captiva Civic Association and to the Captiva Memorial Library.



ABC Sale co-chairmen Peg Hofschneider, left, and Barbara Jones. Photo by Mark Johnson.

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Become a "fountain of knowledge" about your arthritis. That advice comes from the Arthritis Foundation, which recommends that people with arthritis learn all they can about their disease.
People suffering from arthritis can learn more about the affliction and how they can cope with it through a program at Lee Memorial Hospital. Classes begin Friday, Feb. 3, and will continue for six consecutive Fridays from 10 a.m. until noon.
"People who learn how to manage their arthritis can significantly enhance their lives," said Patricia Williams, a registered nurse who is one of the course instructors. "They might not minimize the problems that confront them, but they will not be overcome by them either."

Course content includes information on medications, stress management, exercise and nutrition. Enrollment is limited to 20 people who have completed and returned an application and physician's consent form. For more information about the course or to obtain an application, call the hospital, 334-5676 or write "Self-Management," Arthritis Foundation, 4906 North Tamiami Trail, Sarasota, FL 33580.

Mobile tag unit visits Bailey's

The Lee County Mobile Tag Unit will be at Bailey's Monday, Jan. 30. This service is for tag renewal only. Bring your pre-written registration. All renewals and new applications must be accompanied by proof of insurance.

Trash and treasure sale set

The annual St. Isabel Catholic Church Trash and Treasure Sale will be held Saturday, March 10, at the church hall on Sanibel-Captiva Road.
Church workers have started accepting donations of furniture, clothing or any other usable items for the sale. Larger items will be picked up. For more information call chairman Dorothy Bernhard, 472-5562, or Bette Bell, 472-8219.

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- North-South
1. Helen Quimby and Dorothy Startman
 2. Helen and George Hammes
 3. Billie McDonald and Harriet McKinnon
- East-West
1. Ev Horton and Pat Jeffrey
 2. Adele and J. Karl Stark
 3. Wille Mae and Ralph Boles

The next Thursday afternoon game will begin at 1:30 p.m. this Thursday, Jan. 26. Twelve tables played Friday evening, Jan. 20. The results were:

- North-South
1. Kay and Roy Hickey
 2. Helen W. Larrow and Rod Knight
 3. Frieda and Jacob Goodman
- East-West
1. Adele and J. Karl Stark
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(TFN)</p> <p>ART CLASSES Teacher with 20 years experience in painting art classes in drawing and painting (oil, acrylic, water color, ink, etc.). Adults and children 7 and up. Call 473-3951. (2-7)</p> <p>Mobile "Mechanic" Service Quality repairs done on cars, boats and small engines. Reasonable rates. Call Jim, 443-0995. (1-34)</p> <p>They call us homebodies but we don't care! Rates and enjoy your time away from home. We'll wash your plants, care for your home, all for your pets, do your errands, etc., etc. Our people are reliable and caring and our fees are always reasonable. We have an extra pair of hands. References furnished on request. Peachtree at 322-7262. (2-7)</p> <p>DRESSMAKING - WEDDING GOWNS - QUILTS - COSTUMES - CALL JANE HALE 472-4390. (1-34)</p> <p>Carpentry home improvements, repairs, furniture custom built or refinished & quality work, reasonable prices, free estimates, local references. Joe Wallen 481-3237. (1-24)</p> <p>Swimming instruction from National Champion and Cross-Country Coach. Certified instructor. Beginners to advanced. All ages, individuals or groups. Call Mark at 472-9770, 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. (2-7)</p> <p>FREE Removal of your unwanted items from house, storage, attic, etc. Furniture appliances or anything you call Robert for details. 997-9331. (12-14)</p> <p>Responsible person to run desk for small mobile company. Tuesday and Thursday evenings. Call 472-4217 from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. (2-14)</p>	<p>SERVICES</p> <p>Professional Typing - Personal or business. Motory public. 473-0204. (1-14)</p> <p>Former Sanibel residents - I've been doing with low small volume work on Sanibel-Capiva. Men carpenter/woodworker. Women physical therapist, aerobics instructor. Both college grads. Can exchange skilled work for rent reduction or salaried position. Local references available. Call Joe Wallen 481-5317. (TFN)</p> <p>Good old fashioned cleaning. Call for rates and references. Local references. Call 484-6444. (1-31)</p> <p>HOUSE WANTED FOR HOUSESITTER: My Snowbird are coming back! Island housekeeper available for house sitting, plant and pet care. 472-9777, after 5 p.m. 472-3238. (TFN)</p> <p>Restaurant help wanted (serving dinner only). Cooks, servers, midline, service people, dishwashers. Send resume to THE NEW RESTAURANT, Box 789, Capiva 24724. (TFN)</p> <p>Have fun! Earn fantastic money! Call 472-6020. (1-24)</p> <p>Daytime and evening waiters, waitresses, host or hostess. Evening dishwasher and cook. Apply Quaterdeck or call 472-1033. (TFN)</p> <p>Immediate opening for full-time housekeeping inspector. Also part-time housekeeping, salaried, benefits, and training. Call Tom Cavanaugh for details. 472-4195. (TFN)</p> <p>MICHIGAN HOMES Need professional licensed real estate sales people who know Sanibel. Excellent opportunity in an expanding market for reliable aggressive people. Model spec homes now available. Contact Morgan Matchon Michigan Homes 472-1506. (1-24)</p>	<p>HELP WANTED</p> <p>LETIZIAS RESTAURANT is now accepting applications for bus boys, kitchen help, bart or full time hostess. Call 472-2137 ask for Bill. (TFN)</p> <p>Dishwashers, days/evenings, full and part time. Call 472-0263. (TFN)</p> <p>"WE'RE ON THE MOVE!" Real estate sales activity is very hot and need people with an eye for the future. People who like people, people who want more than just the present. Ask about our outstanding training programs and the CENTURY 21 five year plan. We are conducting confidential interviews now at our six franchise locations. Call Century 21 AARIE Realty Group. 472-1544, Joe Luessen. (TFN)</p> <p>SCCP NEEDS SHOP VOLUNTEERS The Sanibel-Capiva Conservation Foundation needs volunteers for its shop at the conservation center. Anyone interested should contact SCCEF at 472-2279. (TFN)</p> <p>Morgan's Market and Lounge Get in on ground floor of a brand new restaurant and lounge. Looking for self starters and enthusiastic to fill the following positions - cocktail waitresses, bus personnel and day cook service. We will provide an exciting new food concept, atmosphere and benefits. Call for appointment from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday thru Friday. 472-4151. (TFN)</p> <p>SUNDIAL BEACH AND TENNIS RESORT 1246 Middle Gulf Dr. Sanibel, FL 33957 ANNUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER (TFN)</p> <p>The Island Store on Capiva applications now being accepted for full time positions either day or night shift. Good benefits, no experience necessary. Call 472-2374 or apply in person to a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. (TFN)</p> <p>Immediate opening for full-time housekeeping inspector. Also part-time housekeeping, salaried, benefits, and training. Call Tom Cavanaugh for details. 472-4195. (TFN)</p> <p>Walters-Waltresses Bus Help - Evening Hostess, April through October. Full time person after 5 p.m. Quarterdeck, Sanibel. (TFN)</p> <p>Jerry's of Sanibel is hiring courtesy help for morning and afternoon shifts. Apply Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. (TFN)</p> <p>Full time morning and evening cooks. Call Jerry in Jerry's Deli between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. 472-9300. (TFN)</p> <p>WANTED: 3 key salespeople. Join the Truwardre team. Huge commissions, Super incentives. Call for confidential interview. Truwardre Realty, Inc. 472-6200. (TFN)</p>	<p>HELP WANTED</p> <p>Waitress, bar help and driver needed. Call Jerry, 472-1987 between 9-11 a.m. (TFN)</p> <p>Excellent income for part-time home assembly work. For information call (204) 461-8003 ext. 8724. (1-24)</p> <p>Part-time and full time cleaners needed on Sanibel Island. Experience preferred but will train. Husband and wife team welcome. For appointment, please call 472-6633. (TFN)</p> <p>BURGER EMPORIUM Recruit several people to work our counter grill shop and kitchen. Good wages - meals - top working conditions - full or part time. Come in or call 472-2500. (TFN)</p> <p>Check out the NEWS - we have new listings, new - we're your line to be a NEWS item! All you need is a Florida Real Estate License and a desire to be a winner - which is easy since we are NEWLY revised listing structure. NO BROKER COMMITMENTS! Call today for confidential discussion with Bert Jenks. 472-6565 or 472-2006 even. (TFN)</p> <p>F & D Oiler Company Sanibel needs immediate waiters, waitresses and bus help. Apply in person at 2129 Periwinkle Way after 4 p.m. (TFN)</p> <p>Active, cooperative person needed full-time to assist in ground and property maintenance, trash disposal and general care. Call 472-1541 for interview appointment with Mr. Dahler, West Wind Inn. (2-7)</p> <p>Taxi drivers, full time and part time work. Must have good driving record. Call Sanibel Taxi. 472-4160. (1-24)</p> <p>Part time person to work on Sanibel with general office skills and knowledge of computers. In the customer service department with a great deal of customer contact. Call Tim 934-1473. (TFN)</p> <p>Do you have a Florida real estate license? Are you interested in Sanibel-Capiva real estate sales opportunities? Motivated to achieve a high income? We have three offices to fill and are looking for professionals who know the islands. Call Jim Wooten, 472-4195 481-1572 evening. EXCLUSIVE SERVICES, INC., REALTOR (TFN)</p> <p>CASHIERS WAITRESSES WAITERS Friendly experienced full or part time. ORIENTAL COOK All phases of cookery. Experienced. COOK HOSTESS BUS HELP Friendly and experienced daytime help needed. Apply Sunday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Jerry's of Sanibel, 1100 Periwinkle Way. (TFN)</p>
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Cher. Rain Bartholomew
472-5277
Offering aquatic nature tours through the waterways of Sanibel, Captiva, upper Captiva and Dove Cays with lunch at Cobbee Key.
Participants can also go for nature walks on barrier islands if they choose. Participants have a choice aboard either a 24 foot cruiser or a 24-foot open fishermen with a high freeboard.
Call for reservations and details.
George Campbell
472-1380
Offering two natural history field trips - one by land and one by sea. The land trip is on Wednesdays and takes interested persons through Sanibel's wildlife habitats. The approximately four-hour trip costs \$10 per person. No reservations are necessary. Simply meet at 8 a.m. 2400 on any Wednesday at the unmarked lot east of the Sanibel Elementary School on Sanibel-Captiva Road by the tennis courts.
The aquatic field trip to Cobbee Key and Dove Cays includes breakfast at Cobbee Key, a walk through an 17-undeveloped Cays beach. Dates for this trip are Dec. 23 and 20, Jan. 26, Feb. 10, 17 and 24, and March 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30. Reservations and payment must be made in advance. Call 472-1161 evenings only.
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Sanibel Gallery
308 Periwinkle Way
472-2223
Open Monday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Exhibiting original art, photographs and craftwork.
T.J. Osprey
Worming Village
2607 West Gulf Drive
472-9174
Open Monday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Featuring Florida artists and craftsmen. Exclusively American-made designer gifts and paintings.
Limited Editions
American Craft Gallery
Periwinkle Place
472-4800
Open 12 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday.
A Touch of Sanibel Pottery
1524 Periwinkle Way
472-2122
Open Monday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Featuring hand thrown Sanibel stoneware and porcelain.
Gallery at Arnold's
343 Periwinkle Way
472-1828
Featuring the works of nationally acclaimed wildlife artist Alan Silver. Open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Captiva Memorial Library
Wiles Drive and Chapin Lane
472-1123
Open Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Wednesday from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Saturday from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
Offering a series of loan exhibitions from the Ringling Museums, rotating collection of the works of local artists and exhibits of shells and original wood sculpture studies.
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472-9200
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Bailey's General Store
Island Shopping Center
Periwinkle Way
and Casa Ybel Road
472-1516
The Bait Box
1027 Periwinkle Way
472-1161
Open every day with a complete selection of fishing tackle and bait. Also offering Snorkeling, shell and fishing gear, live and frozen bait.
The Reef Cafe
Sanibel Center
Periwinkle Way
and Casa Ybel Road
472-1516
Snorkeling equipment and accessories. Fresh seafood, Beer and wine. Fishing and beach equipment rentals.
Tarpow Bay Marine
At the north end of Tarpow Bay Road
472-1192
Open every day from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Beach accesses

Unrestricted parking with no entrance charges for everyone along the Causeway, at Bowman's Beach on the upper end of Sanibel, at the Sanibel Lighthouse and Fishing Pier at the eastern tip of the island, at Gateway City Park off Casa Ybel Road, on the east side of the Sanibel and Captiva Roads, at the end of Coloway Road, at the end of Tarpow Bay Road and at the Trail Brewery on Tarpow Bay Road.
Off-islanders with restricted parking stickers can find beach access at Bailey Road, Brach House Beach, Bay Boulevard, Morris Street, Udonas Street, Fulmer Street and on the Sanibel Loop of Turner Beach.
Island residents with residential parking stickers can park on West Gulf Drive, west of Rabbit Road, the bay and east sides of Burntwood Lane, the bay and east side of Seagrape Lane, Colony Walk, Bay Drive and on Henderson Road at Castaways Lane.
The fine for parking in a restricted or residential area without the proper permit is \$35.
On Captiva public beach access can be found at Turner Beach or further north just east the entrance to South Seas Plantation.
STATE LAW PROHIBITS WIDE SUMMATHING ON ALL L.C.R.D.A. B.E.A.C.H.E.S. VIOLATORS WILL BE PROSECUTED.

Things to do and see

J.J. "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge
472-1121
Off Sanibel-Captiva Road - the Wildlife Drive and Visitors Center
Off Tarpow Bay Road - the Bailey Tract walking trails offer an opportunity for small bird observation.
The Wildlife Drive and Bailey Tract are open from sunrise to sunset daily. The Visitor Center is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday.
Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation
Sanibel-Captiva Road
472-2229
Open to the preservation of vegetation and wildlife on the islands. The foundation offers many exhibits and nature tours. Admission for non-members is \$5 cents for children and \$1 for adults.
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Marinas, fishing, shelling, sailing charters

Blind Pass Marine
Sanibel-Captiva Road
472-2229
Open 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. seven days a week. Launching ramp, bait, tackle and gear. Tackle and fishing supplies. Call Capt. Jim Buehl, 472-4701.
Sanibel Marina
North Captiva Drive
472-2723
Open seven days a week from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Bait, tackle and gear. Call Capt. Don Prochaska, 472-2531.
South Seas Plantation Marina
Captiva
472-5111
Open to the public from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. seven days a week. Master Don Starr, Capt. Doug Fischer, Bruce Holloway, Chick Kennedy, Herb Perry and Butch Corffell for fishing, shelling and sightseeing guides.
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Open 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Reservations required. Public welcome. Green fees: \$1.50 for nine holes, \$16 for 18 holes. Electric carts: \$2 for nine holes, \$10 for 18 holes.
The Dunes Country Club
Sanibel-Captiva Road
472-5333
Semi-private
Open daily to dusk. Call for starting time. Public welcome. Green fees: \$2 for nine holes, \$16 for 18 holes. Electric carts: \$2 for nine holes, \$10 for 18 holes.
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Good things to know

BANKING

Bank of the Islands
1499 Parkside Way
477-4141
Monday through Thursday
9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Drive-in
window open from 8:30 a.m. to
6 p.m.
Open Friday from 9 a.m. to 2
p.m. and to 4 p.m. Drive-in
window open from 10 a.m. to
6 p.m.
Closed weekends.

Bank of the Islands
Branch Office
Island Shopping Center
477-5173

Open Monday through
Thursday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Open Friday from 9 a.m. to 4
p.m. Closed weekends.

**First Federal Savings and
Loan**
Palm Ridge Road and
Flourance Street
477-1207

Monday through Thursday
from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday
from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Closed
weekends.

Coastal First National Bank
Sanibel Captiva Road
and Andy Road Lane
Captiva
477-4444

Monday through Friday
from 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Closed
weekends.

BIKCYCLING

The extensive network of
bike paths on the island is
clearly marked along the scope
of the road. Observe caution
when driving near the bike
paths. A state law and city or
county ordinance combine to prohibit
parking or driving on the bike
paths. Motorists are not per-
mitted on the bike paths.
If you plan to spend some
time on a bike make sure your
vehicle is equipped with a fash-
ion, good brakes and a light
for night riding.
Under Florida law bicycle
riders have the same rights
and responsibilities as motor
vehicle drivers.

CAMPING, BEACH FIRES

Camping on the beach is
prohibited, as are open beach
fires. Fires are permitted,
however, in an approved
cooling container (not to ex-
ceed 482x137 inches deep)
with an extended metal grill for
non-commercial food
preparation.
After you have your beach
party please assume the
responsibility for cleaning up
any debris or litter in your
area.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

On the Sanibel side
of the Causeway
Open Monday through
Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4
p.m., Sunday from 10 a.m. to
5 p.m.

DISASTER ALERT

Radio Station WRCC 104.5 FM
broadcasts hurricane and
other emergency information
that might affect Sanibel or
Captiva.
Cable TV Channel 11
broadcasts the same disaster
information for the islands.

DOGGY DO'S AND DON'TS

Sanibel law requires that
although your dog does not
have to be on a leash in public
he must be under your control
at all times. You are respon-
sible for your pet's behavior.
The Chamber of Commerce
can tell you which accom-
modations accept families with
pets.
Remember: Wherever you
are, clean up after your pet!
"Leave nothing on the beach
but footprints," applies to
dogs, too.

HELP! EMERGENCY NUMBERS

Police 477-2111
Fire 477-3420
Sheriff 477-2425
Ambulance 477-3420
Paramedics 477-3420
Island Ambulance For 24
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service 477-2778
CROW: Emergency care
for injured wildlife 477-3444

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FISHING

No permit is required for
saltwater sport, but fishing in
freshwater ponds or on the
Sanibel River requires a
Florida fishing license.
Licenses are available at
Bailey's on Sanibel for \$4.95 for
residents and \$10.95 for non-
residents.
Minimum Legal Lengths:

Bluefish	10 inches
Flounder	12 inches
Macrarel	12 inches
Scup	12 inches
Pompano	12 inches
Weakfish	12 inches
Spot	12 inches
Snook	18 inches
Sheepshead	18 inches
Trout	18 inches
Shrimp	from Jan. 1 through Feb. 28 and from June 1 through July 31

SHELLING

The city has a resolution
limiting the taking of live shells
to two per person per day per
person. In order to preserve
Sanibel's beautiful shelling
beaches most collectors refuse
to take any live shells what-
soever.

GATORS

Fencing alligators away from
within the Sanibel city limits is
not only illegal but extremely
dangerous.
Alligators can run up to
41 mph, so if you are close
enough to feed an alligator he
is likely enough to bite you. An
alligator fed for fun loses his
natural fear of humans and
becomes a potential threat to
children and pets.
Do not venture near or be
permitted to run free on Sanibel.
Force your dog with him on a
leash or, if you must free him
for a walk, keep him under
voice control. Never let your
dog in an unenclosed yard.
If you find a nuisance
alligator call the appropriate
representatives of the South-
west Florida Alligator
Association. They are licensed
and have permits to handle
gators: George Campbell, 477-
2615; Steve Phillips, 477-2292;
Mark Westfall, 477-5128.

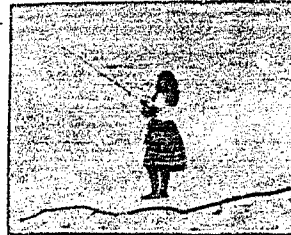
GOVERNMENT

Sanibel City Council
Meetings held on the first
and third Tuesday of every
month beginning at 9 a.m. in
MacKenzie Hall council
chambers at City Hall on
Dunlop Street.

Sanibel Planning Commission
Meetings held on the second
and fourth Monday of every
month beginning at 9 a.m. in
MacKenzie Hall council
chambers at City Hall on
Dunlop Street.

Sanibel Fire Control District
Meetings held on the second
Tuesday of every month at 1
p.m. at the Sanibel Fire House
on Palm Ridge Road.

**Sanibel Erosion
Prevention District**
Meetings held on the first
Monday of every month
beginning at 10 a.m. at the
Captiva Community Center.



Captiva Fire Control District
Attention held on the second
Tuesday of every month
beginning at 8:30 a.m. at the
Captiva Fire House at Captiva
Road and Whiffan Lane.

Captiva
On Captiva Road near
the entrance to South Sea
Plantation
477-1444
Open 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.,
Monday through Friday.
Closed Saturday and Sunday,
although mail is delivered on
Saturday.

LIBRARIES

Sanibel Public Library
Palm Ridge Road and
Flourance Street
477-5420
Open 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Monday through Saturday, 7 to
9 p.m., Wednesday.

Sanibel Memorial Library
Chapin and Willis
477-2122
Open Tuesday, Thursday and
Friday from 9 a.m. to 4:30
p.m., Wednesday from 9 a.m.
to 9 p.m., Saturday from 9 a.m.
to 5:30 p.m., Closed Sunday
and Monday.

POST OFFICES

Sanibel
Turn right off Parkside Way
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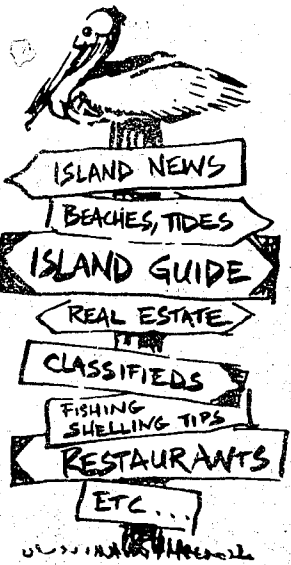
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