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## Bridge tender dies after fall from Causeway span

By Mark Johnson

Safety rules might be toughened after the accidental death Friday morning of a Sanibel Causeway bridge tender.

In the first such accident in the Causeway's 20-year history, Thomas McHenry drowned after falling 22 feet into San Carlos Bay from the draw span of the Causeway after he had raised it to allow a sailboat to pass.

According to Sgt. Richard Chard of the Lee County Sheriff's department, McHenry was outside his bridge tender's house checking the sailboat when he apparently fell through a gap created by the open bridge.

Sue Barber of Sanibel saw McHenry come out of the house to check the passing boat. She told investigators she looked away and when she looked back McHenry was gone. Barber's was the first car stopped by the guard rail as the bridge was raised.

"I couldn't have looked away for more than 30 seconds," Barber said.

When the bridge was not lowered after the boat had passed, two persons from a car behind Barber's went to investigate. When they could not find McHenry, they returned to the Causeway toll plaza to report the problem.

The Sanibel Police Department received a call from the toll plaza and then notified the Lee County Sheriff's Department. The U.S. Coast Guard and a sheriff's department helicopter were called in to search for McHenry.

The Coast Guard found McHenry's body floating approximately three miles off the north end of Estero Island.

The body was taken to the Lee County Medical Examiner's office, where it was discovered that McHenry had a large gash in the back of his head. Chard said the gash was apparently caused when McHenry hit his head on one of the bridge supports as he fell.

Bridge tender Bob Johnston said it is not unusual for a tender to leave his house while the bridge is up. A tender might lean over the rail to check a boat's registration or to check if another boat is passing through before he lowers the bridge, Johnston said.

The tenders have now been instructed to remain in the office while the bridge is up. More safety measures might be undertaken in the future, officials said.



The final bell last Wednesday sent Sanibel Elementary School students racing from the halls with visions of swimming, cycling and

sleeping late in their heads. Photo by Mark Johnson.

## City okays 4 percent additional gas tax

By Barbara Brundage

Reaffirming an earlier decision, the Sanibel City Council last week approved an interlocal agreement with Lee County calling for an additional 4 cent tax on gasoline.

The tax will generate about \$5 million annually for the next five years, County Administrator Lavon Wisler has estimated.

The revenue will be shared by the county and the cities of Sanibel, Fort Myers and Cape Coral under a distribution formula that would give the county 64 percent, Cape Coral 17 percent, Fort Myers 14 percent and Sanibel 5 percent.

Under this scenario Sanibel would receive about \$250,000 a year to help fund the city's long range road improvement program.

## A Sanibel woman has initiated a petition drive asking that the tax question be put before Lee County voters. Story page 2A.

All four governmental entities had agreed the proposed distribution formula is fair and equitable. But last Tuesday Sanibel officials were surprised to learn that Cape Coral has changed its mind.

The Cape Coral councilmen are now insisting their share should be 18.95 percent — Cape Coral's percentage of the total population in Lee County.

Mayor Fred Valtin pointed out that if the county and the three cities cannot agree on the proposal the

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## State senator promises 'the effort is just beginning' toward preventing Buck Key development

By Barbara Brundage

The inclusion of Buck Key in the Cayo Costa State Preserve acquisition areas is only the first step on the road to stop the development that threatens the environmentally sensitive island in Pine Island Sound just off Captiva, State Sen. Frank Mann said last week.

Mann lobbied members of the Conservation and Recreational Lands

(CARL) committee to place Buck Key within the boundary of the Cayo Costa/Upper Captiva acquisition area and warned them that "the effort to preserve this unique little island is just beginning."

He said he will push for an early negotiation with owners of 121 acres on the island in an attempt to facilitate the state's purchase of those acres.

The other 194 acres are owned by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and are under the jurisdiction of the J.N. "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge.

The CARL committee approved adding Buck Key to the Cayo Costa/Upper Captiva area at a meeting in Tallahassee last Thursday. The area ranks number 14 on the

state's purchase priority list.

High water surveys and appraisal of Buck Key — the first step in the state's purchase negotiations — should begin this summer and will take six to eight months, Mann said.

In the meantime, the Lee County Division of Community Development

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## Sanibel woman wants tax question put on referendum for county voters

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**Paulette Burton**

By Barbara Brundage  
A petition opposing the additional 4-cent local option gasoline tax and asking that the question be placed in the ballot in November is being circulated on Sanibel.

"We're really getting great support from island people," Paulette Burton, chairman of Committee for Constitutional Government, which is spearheading the drive, said Monday.

The committee hopes to collect by July 31 the 18,000 signatures of Lee County registered voters needed to force the commissioners to put

the gas tax proposal on a referendum of the people it will affect.

"The real issue here is for the right for people to vote on something that will have a far-reaching economic impact," Burton said.

Burton, a long-time Sanibel resident, was the prime mover for a referendum of Sanibel voters last year that resulted in the repeal of an ordinance that vacated a public road and bridge to private ownership.

The Lee County Commission has scheduled a public hearing on the ordinance establishing a 4-cent gas tax for its June 20 meeting.

It is uncertain whether the required number of signatures can be collected before the public hearing, Burton said. But even if the county ignores the snowballing public opinion and approves the additional tax, the committee plans to go ahead with the call for a referendum to repeal it, Burton said.

"18,000 signatures should convince the commission that the majority of the people in the county don't want an ad-

ditional gas tax," Carol Quillinan, a former Sanibel resident and a member of the committee who was gathering signatures in Cape Coral last week, said.

County Attorney James Yaeger has assured the committee there is no legal deterrent to putting the question to a vote of the people.

And in a memorandum to the commission Yaeger said, "It would appear that the county if it so desired could have a straw ballot or make a gas tax ordinance subject to a referendum. Obviously, this is not required, but I see no legal objection to it."

Quillinan, who now runs a business on Pine Island, pointed out that "a gas tax is the most inflationary tax we can have."

"There will be a fall out on everything we buy. Everything will go up and up, not just gas and gasoline products," she said.

If the commission adopts the ordinance it will go into effect Sept. 1 and run for five years.



Capt. John Miller of the Sanibel-Captiva chapter of The Retired Officers Association presents Susannah Stern with the 1984 Citizenship Award. The presentation was made on the last day of school last Wednesday.

The award was established in 1983 for deserving fifth graders at Sanibel Elementary School. Each year's winner is selected by his or her classmates.

Stern received a plaque and a U.S. Government Savings Bond. Photo by Mark Johnson.

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state's "Transportation Effort Formula" will come into play.

Cape Coral would then be eligible for only 7 percent of the take, Valtin said.

County commissioners were also puzzled by Cape Coral's change of direction.

Cape Coral had twice voted in favor of the coun-

ty's distribution formula, and Fort Myers had also agreed it was equitable, Wisner said.

She said she and Commissioner Porter Goss would arrange to meet with the dissenting council to try and resolve the problem before the commission's June 20 public hearing on the proposed gas tax.

## State senator promises 'the effort is just beginning' from page 1

will act on a request for a preliminary planning hearing on a proposal to put 150 housing units on 105 acres of Buck Key owned by Ted Watrous, operator of a South Fort Myers nursery.

Bill Spikowski, coordinator of the county's Development of County Impact (DCI) committee, said the hearing requested by Ken Sprayberry, a Punta Gorda landscape architect, has been tentatively scheduled for either July 3 or July 5.

The hearing on Sprayberry's request to change the zoning from agricultural to Planned Unit Development was originally set for

last Tuesday. That hearing was postponed for a month at the request of the landowner, Spikowski said.

Spikowski said he has warned the applicant that he will have problems securing approval for his proposal.

Under agricultural zoning one single-family unit per acre is permitted. About 40 acres of the Watrous tract are uplands, Spikowski said. Although the 150 homes will be clustered in two- and three-unit townhouses, the plan is too intense, he added.

Access to the property will be by water only. Two docks are in the plans

— one on Roosevelt Channel on the west side of the island and another off Hurricane Harbor on the Blind Pass side. Transportation in the development will be by golf cart, Spikowski said. Though not shown on the plans, Spikowski said, there is talk of putting in two holes for golf.

Carol Allin, business manager of the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation that pushed for state acquisition of Buck Key, said she was thrilled by the CARL committee action placing the key in the Cayo Costa preserve area.

Mann said that the committee's

refusal earlier this year to include Buck Key as a new project on the state's purchase list may have been a "blessing in disguise." As a part of an existing project already under purchase activity, Buck Key is in a better position than if it were a separate project, he explained.

"The state has already committed most of the \$25 million available for this fiscal year, and no one project will see any of those funds," Mann explained.

Mann said that the committee's

## CLUB NEWS

### Lions plan installation ceremony

The regular meeting of the Sanibel-Captiva Lions Club was held at the Sanibel Community Association hall June 6. Bob Cork was visiting from Brisbane, Australia, as a guest of Lion Sol Stepan.

President Len Yasche reported on several recent donations including one of \$1,000 to the fund to help Debbie Bryant pay her medical expenses.

Lion Don Cooperider gave a short resume of happenings at the convention at Cypress Gardens in May. Lion John Cook reported on members who were ill and unable to attend meetings. He also reported that the Bloodmobile will be on the island from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Bailey's and Bank of the Islands Wednesday, July 11.

Yasche reported plans are completed for the installation ceremony at the Sundial beginning at 5:30 p.m. this Friday, June 15. There will be dancing after the banquet and installation ceremony. Installation of the new officers will be conducted by Past District Gov. Kenneth Shivel of Bonita Springs.

### Businesswomen will host county tourism director

The Sanibel-Captiva Christian Women's Club will have a luncheon at 11:30 a.m. this Thursday, June 14, at the Sundial. Featured will be "Dance LaCroix!" and speakers Chris Dodili, Lorie Bush and Laurie Tetraub.

Music will be by Andrea Mott and Scott Dentinger, and a performance will be given by club pianist

### Christian women's luncheon features Dance La Croix!

The Sanibel-Captiva Chapter of the American Business Women's Association will hold its next regular meeting at 6:30 p.m. this Thursday, June 14, at the Thistle Lodge.

Guest speaker will be Frank Nocera, executive director of the Lee County Tourist Development Council.

### Kiwanians invite members, guests to breakfast meeting

The Sanibel-Captiva Kiwanis Club will meet for breakfast at 7:30 a.m. this Wednesday, June 13, at the Sundial. Guest speaker will be Bill Dole of Truly

Nolan.

All members and guests are invited to attend. For more information call Mark Rodgers, 472-4141.

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## Weather watch Everybody talks about it...



Island residents and visitors can expect temperatures in the 90s under partly cloudy skies this week with isolated late afternoon and evening thunderstorms.

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

	HIGH	LOW	RAIN
Monday, June 4	88	72	0
Tuesday, June 5	86	73	0
Wednesday, June 6	88	72	0
Thursday, June 7	88	71	0
Friday, June 8	87	71	.04
Saturday, June 9	90	75	0
Sunday, June 10	97	75	Trace

## Wedding

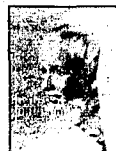
### Burden-Hinds

Elizabeth Anne Burden of Sanibel and Adam Allen Hinds of Oklahoma were married Saturday, June 9, 1984, at St. Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church on Sanibel. The Rev. Richard Stein officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Burden III of Sanibel and New York. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Hinds of St. Louis, Mo.

The bride was given in marriage by her father, Maid of honor was Janet Haney. Best man was David Hinds. A reception followed the ceremony at the Brass Elephant.

The couple will live in Stillwater, Okla.



Elizabeth Burden Hinds

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# COMMENTARY

## Police chief commends officers for arrest of three car burglars

A copy of the following letter to Sanibel Police Officers Scott Ashby and Wayne Hinz was given to The Islander for publication.

Dear Officers Ashby and Hinz:

This letter is our departmental way of recognizing and commending you men for your actions that caused the arrest of three persons who had broken into a motor vehicle parked at the Lighthouse parking lot.

As you know, approximately \$10,000 in stolen jewelry was seized from the arrested subjects and has been identified by victims of other auto burglaries on Sanibel.

Once again you have upheld the best traditions of the Sanibel Police Department by temporarily removing misguided individuals from Sanibel and turning them over to the State Attorney for prosecution.

Keep up the good work!

Sincerely,  
John Butler  
Chief of Police  
Sanibel

## Wisconsin reader pleads to council to save 'one-of-a-kind' Island

A copy of the following letter to Mayor Fred Vaitin was given to The Islander for publication.

Dear Mayor Vaitin and members of the council:

I have been coming to Sanibel for the past 17 years. Five years ago I bought a home on the Island. Each year that my wife and I return we find the Island has suffered from more development at the expense of precious, irreplaceable land. This place is truly unique, and when its land area has been fully converted to human uses it will have lost nearly all that attracts most of us to come here.

I am opposed to the proposed Spoonbill project because it will destroy a large portion of the remaining habitat for bird and animal life in the heart of the Island. We must zealously protect these irreplaceable sanctuaries.

Sanibel is not Naples, Tampa or even Fort Myers, where development is usually accepted as inevitable and necessary. Rather, Sanibel is a place which provides a unique opportunity for people to live harmoniously with nature — a situation seldom experienced anywhere else in this country.

I believe it is the responsibility of everyone who knows and loves Sanibel to preserve this most unusual gift so that people may enjoy and be enriched by this rare association with nature. God knows we need the tranquility of this experience in our lives.

Please save this one-of-a-kind Island for all of us.

Sincerely,  
Robert Greenback  
Wausau, Wis., and  
Sanibel

## Georgia visitor warns: 'You cannot turn back time'

A copy of the following letter to Mayor Fred Vaitin was given to The Islander for publication.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

After reading with interest about the proposed Spoonbill Golf and Tennis Club for two months I felt I had to voice my opinion. I have been coming to the Island every year for a lengthy visit for the past 14 years, lavishing in Sanibel's beautiful natural state and hurting inside every time I see it being disturbed.

I am familiar with the section of land where

Spoonbill is proposed. I feel it could absolutely destroy this part of the Island and cause problems that could never be corrected. You cannot turn back time. I pray this never comes to pass.

My son owes his career to Sanibel. He started studying shells at age 10 and did extensive research on several species of shells in salt water aquariums. At the age of 15 he entered his findings in the Westinghouse Talent Search and received a

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## COMMENTARY

### Personal experience illustrates need for 911 emergency telephone number

A copy of the following letter to the editor of the Fort Myers News-Press was given to The Islander for publication.

To the Editor:  
Fort Myers News-Press

I was impressed with your June 5 editorial about 911 (nine-one-one, which should be stressed, not nine eleven). I state my actual experience:

On Sunday, July 31, 1983, while living in Golden Valley, Minn., I fell and fractured by right knee cap. The injury was not known to me at the time it happened. Approximately three hours later I became unconscious from the pain. My wife Eileen, who was instructed about 911, dialed that number

and in three to four minutes of each other, a Golden Valley police officer and an ambulance with paramedics arrived.

I was revived and a cold pack was applied to my knee while I was transported to North Memorial Hospital in Minneapolis. X-rays there verified that indeed my knee cap was fractured, and a knee immobilizer was applied.

For this reason, I urge all who can do so to institute a 911 in Lee County.

Sincerely,  
Edward Kaye  
Sanibel

### Advice for visitors

When we visit you we don't tassel your corn, Or kill your bull just to get his horn.

We don't cut down your apple or cherry tree To get some wood for the kids to see.

So please, while you're here, keep this in mind — Leave live shells on the beach with their own kind!

Barbara Woodruff  
Sanibel

### Georgia visitor warns continued

research grant to further his study of shells on Sapelo Island, Ga., at the University of Georgia marine biology lab. He is now a graduate student at Duke University and will enter medical school in September. As I read his paper he prepared to enter Duke I really came home to me how much this Island has meant to my family. I am sure there are many young people who are just as involved with Sanibel's natural wonders.

People set their goals on too many material things in life, rather than enjoying and appreciating the lovely nature around. I enjoy the beautiful vegetation and birds on the Island as much as the shells. I have always dreamed of someday retiring on Sanibel, but I am afraid in 10 years it will be so changed I might not be happy here. I can look back and see what has happened during the past 10 years and it is frightening.

I pray for the City Councilmembers as they make this most difficult decision on the future of Sanibel. I hope it can be preserved just as it is for generations to come.

Sincerely,  
Pat Huff  
Marietta, Ga.

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## MUNICIPAL RECORDS

By Barbara Brundage

### State grant approved, plans underway to begin work on Causeway boat ramp

Assistant City Manager Gary Price says the launching ramp should be completed well in advance of the 1985 winter season.

Bids for the construction of a \$75,000 boat ramp on the bay on the east side of Causeway Road will be

opened June 25, Assistant City Manager Gary Price informed the City Council last week.

A grant of up to \$125,000 to finance the project has been approved by the state Department of Natural Resources, Price said.

Under an interlocal agreement with Lee County, the city of Sanibel will supervise construction of the boat launching ramp and parking area, which on completion will become the property of the city.

The city will be responsible for its maintenance and operation as a public recreational facility with no charge to boaters.

Under terms of an agreement with DNR and the county, if the city chooses to implement a user fee in the future the fee must be imposed uniformly among the users regardless of race, sex, age, religion or the political jurisdiction in which they reside.

Price said work on the project can begin after the County Commission approves the construction contract July 18.

The facility should be completed well in advance of the winter season, he said.

### Rutland house museum will remain 'low key'

The use of Sanibel's Island Historical Museum (the former Clarence Rutland house) as the first home for the fledgling Florida Archaeological and Historical Museum collection of Indian, Spanish and pirate artifacts would be "inappropriate," the City Council decided last week.

Sanibel and the Rutland House are an "ideal starting location," museum spokesman Don Williams maintained. "There's a lot of history — both Spanish and pirate — on Sanibel and Captiva Islands."

But Williams' citing the museum's potential to become "a major Florida tourist attraction" did not help the case. Nor was the council impressed

by the prospect of the King of Spain Juan Carlos attending the dedication of the museum.

"A major tourist attraction is not one of Sanibel's goals as a community," Councilman Louise Johnson told Williams.

Sanibel's Island Historical Museum was envisioned as a low key facility focusing on the early settlers and their families, she said.

Mayor Fred Valtin explained that Sanibel is a residential community that attracts tourists but is not interested in tourism.

Jack Poorbaugh, a FAHM vice president, said the new museum would be "primarily an educational center that would be available to residents."

Evelyn Pearson, chairman of the Historical Preservation Committee that is responsible for the operation of the Island museum, said the Rutland house with only four small rooms is "not large enough for an enormous collection of artifacts."

Longtime Sanibel resident Herb Purdy, a member of FAHM's advisory board, emphasized that Sanibel was the choice of the governor and secretary of state as the site for the newly chartered museum.

"The Islands were settled by the Spanish," he said. "And piracy is a part of our heritage, too." But Valtin said, "The bigness of the FAHM project is what bothers me. It adds up to much more than we had in

The City Council was flattered by but not interested in the state's offer for an archaeological museum on Sanibel.

mind (for the Rutland house)."

It was council consensus that although the proposal was inappropriate for Sanibel, Fort Myers might be the ideal location.

"It puts us in an awkward position turning down your great offer," Valtin told the promoters. "But we're honored that you considered us."

### Extensions granted on ROGO allocations

Two ROGO allocations for single-family homes granted in March were extended to Oct. 31 by the City Council last week. The allocations would have expired June 30 if building permits had not been obtained by that date.

Contractor Robert Horak representing Jerry and June Muench said his clients had expected to use funds generated by the sale of their current Anchor Drive residence to finance construction of a new home.

Though the house has been on the market for several months it has not been sold, Horak told the council last week.

Under ROGO rules a building permit must be obtained within the four months after an allocation is granted.

"They don't want to lose their allocation, and granting an extension will not affect anyone as all the applicants denied in March have priority to obtain

their allocations in July," Horak said. "This will not set a precedent because it has been done before," he added.

But the council was not willing to extend the allocation to Feb. 28, 1985, as the Muenches originally requested. The council agreed that Oct. 31, the deadline for applications for the November ROGO, would be reasonable.

The council also granted Ron and Debbie Almqvist an extension for their allocation for a single-family home to the end of October.

In a letter to City Manager Bernie Murphy the Almqvists explained that because they were forced to change building contractors, their construction loan would not be approved before the June 30 cut-off date.

With the growing crunch for single-family allocations, Planning Director Bruce Rogers said he anticipates more and

more people will request extensions as insurance for their allocations.

Approximately 60 single-family allocations are available in the July ROGO period, Rogers said. Twenty-five holdovers from March will be granted allocations off the top, and 90 new applicants will vie for the remainder.

This leaves 55 applications that will be carried over to November and have top priority in that ROGO period, Rogers said.

But in November 45 of the possible 60 allocations available must be awarded to multi-family applicants, he said.

Without taking into consideration any possible new applications for the November period, at least 40 single-family home applications will have to be carried over to March 1985.

### Coming up at City Hall

A list of scheduled City Council and Planning Commission meetings

Wednesday, June 13, MacKenzie Hall, 7 p.m. — Assistant City Manager and Public Works Director Gary Price will meet with Periwinkle Way property owners who will be affected by the city's storm drainage and bike path improvement project scheduled during July, August and September.

Tuesday, June 19, MacKenzie Hall, 9 a.m. — Regular meeting of the City Council.

Monday, June 25, MacKenzie Hall, 9 a.m. — Regular meeting of the Planning Commission.

Wednesday, July 4 — City Hall closed for the Independence Day holiday.

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### Council exempts three properties from development moratorium

Three residential properties included in the proposed Wetlands Preservation District have been exempted from the development moratorium currently in effect.

Two of the properties on West Gulf Drive east of Rabbit Road have elevations higher than those shown on the city's topographical map, and Assistant Planning Director Bob Duane recommended their exemption. (Elevation less than three feet was one of the criteria used to determine wetlands status.)

The third property, three lots in Sanibel Gardens subdivision owned by Marvin Post, was included in the moratorium because it did not front on a passable road. But Post persuaded the council that Emerson Avenue is not impassable, only overgrown from lack of use.

Last Tuesday the council voted 4-0 to exempt Post's property under the condition that the development permit must meet the more stringent standards that will be required in the Wetlands Preservation District after a general amendment

establishing the district is passed.

The two West Gulf Drive owners both have approved development permits for single-family homes.

William Harnack will automatically receive a ROGO allocation in July because he did not receive one in March.

Reid Ervin's application for a single-family home will be in the July ROGO competition.

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

A Serenity Lane man reported someone rang his doorbell around midnight Friday, June 1, and threw an egg at him when he opened the front door. The man told police he heard someone laughing after the incident.

Police checked the area but found no one suspicious.

A resident of Sanibel Beach Club condominiums said four young men knocked on his front door and then threw something at his unit shortly before 2 a.m. Saturday, June 2. The man said the suspects drove away in a gray Honda or Datsun. Police found no one suspicious in the area.

A Sanibel man was charged with driving too fast for conditions after a one-car accident on Casa Ybel Road near Atlanta Plaza around 1 p.m. Saturday, June 2. John Joseph Miller, 918 Main St., was charged.

A Pen Shell Lane resident said someone threw eggs at his car and garage around 10:15 p.m. Saturday, June 2, and then drove away in a Chevrolet. Police found no one suspicious in the area.

A Sanibel woman reported several youths were throwing rocks at the windows in a construction trailer at the Wil's Landing site on Periwinkle Way around 6 p.m. Sunday, June 3. The youths were gone when police arrived.

Police advised William Hyter Covington, 51, that he would be arrested on the basis of the city's law prohibiting camping if they found him sleeping in his car again. Police found Covington asleep in his car in front of the American Legion post around 3 a.m. Monday, June 4.

A Neptune, N.J., man told police he had lost his wallet containing \$140 in cash on Sanibel sometime Monday, June 4.

A Sanibel woman told police several youths had tried to remove a stop sign at the end of Buttonwood Lane on Periwinkle Way Monday night, June 4. A nearby stop sign was pulled from the ground.

The cash drawer to a soda machine at Sanibel Elementary School was reported broken into Tuesday morning, June 5.

A locket, ring, pin and bracelet valued at a total of \$4,550 were reported missing from a Gulf Pines Drive home Tuesday morning, June 5.

Two Sanibel girls told police their

bicycles had been taken from the bus stop where they had left them earlier in the day Wednesday afternoon, June 6.

Police are continuing their investigation of a man who left the Island Inn with an outstanding bill of \$84.74 Tuesday afternoon, June 5. The man gave his name and address as John Slater, #16 S. Powerline Road, West Palm Beach, Fla. A letter sent to Slater was returned marked "No Such Street."

A Wheel Drive man reported an American flag and a Florida state flag were taken from his yard sometime between June 1 and June 3. The two flags were valued at \$75.

A Bunting Lane resident reported his bicycle was missing from the Mariner Pointe driveway Thursday morning, June 7. The bicycle was a silver Laser Series 1000 with red and black handle grips.

Sanibel police issued 10 citations for speeding and other driving infractions during the week that ended Friday, June 8.

## Sheinwold on bridge

By Alfred Sheinwold

"My wife says I'm an idiot," a fan complains. "I led the jack of spades to South's king. He lost a club finesse to the queen, and my wife returned the deuce of diamonds to dummy's nine. South now continued clubs."

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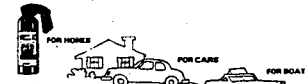
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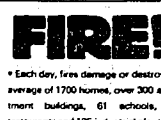


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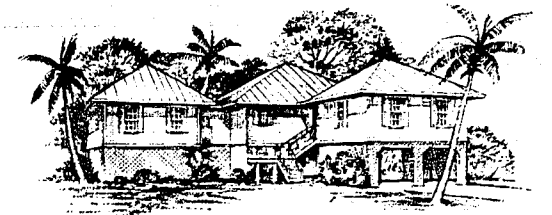
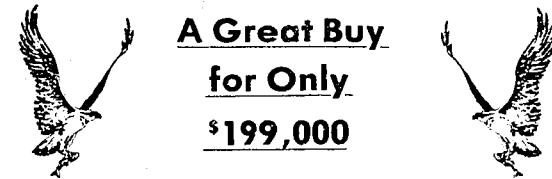
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# BUSINESS NEWS

By Scott Martell

## Video Watchguard

New firm offers an alternative to traditional home inventory

Let's play a game — a game that could become serious. Without moving from your chair, try to list everything in your bedroom closet. Now try the kitchen cabinet. Can you name every book in your library, every record album in your cabinet?

The game takes a dire turn if it is played after a disaster hits your home and if the questions are asked by an insurance agent.

But a new national trend has made answering these kinds of questions a cinch. Through the use of video taping, homeowners can have their possessions documented on film.

Video Watchguard is a new Sanibel business firm that offers this "basic inventory service" to Islanders. John Harris is president; Peter Burns, vice president; and Pam Horne, sales representative.

"We hope each tape is a waste," Harris says. "We hope the people take it out of their home, put it in a vault and never need it. But if they ever do need that record, there is absolutely no substitute for the detail you can put on a tape. The beauty of it is that after the fact of a storm, fire or theft you have access to the home."

Before documenting a home's contents on tape, either Horne or Harris tours the home with the owners.

"You have to get the owners' confidence to show you around. It's not just casually walking around the home — it's really thorough," says Horne. "It's up to each person how specific they want the tape to be. And as they go through the home, they are often surprised at some of the things they notice that are worth protecting but that they may not have put down on written list."

The detail can range from filming the insides of a kitchen cabinet to slowly panning titles from records.



Pam Horne and John Harris are ready to inventory your home via videotape. Photo by Scott Martell.

When he makes a tape Harris first pans the room for a sense of perspective. Then he films each section and finally rooms in for close-ups. "And the residents get to look at the tape right away," Harris says. "They accept the finished product before we leave. And the tape can be added to continually over the years."

Harris adds that the tape they make goes straight to the customer. "We don't have a library of tapes of people's stuff. We do the inventory, give them the tape and then hope they get it out of the house and into a safe place."

Harris and Horne feel a video record is the ideal way to document your belongings. A record by photographs cannot compare, they say. Harris believes it would take many thousands of photos to get the detail that can be done in just a few hours with the video camera.

Video Watchguard has three cameras, three recorders and extensive lighting equipment. What started out as a hobby for Harris has turned into a full business venture.

Harris has been on Sanibel for eight months. Most of his business life was spent in Alabama as a building contractor. Five years ago he moved to the Cayman Islands, where he picked up his video experience.

"We didn't have live television down there," Harris says. "We received shows late through video cassettes. Soon I bought a video camera and became hooked."

Horne worked at the Sanibel Post Office for five years before she started with Video Watchguard. Before coming to Sanibel she sold word processors. She has also taught English, Spanish and speech.

Now both Harris and Horne are excited about their new business venture and are convinced that their business is important on an island such as Sanibel.

"There is a tremendous need for this business all over, but especially here," Harris says. "First there is the danger of hurricane damage, but also the island has so many winter residents who go north for the summer and leave their homes unattended."

## Business briefs:

Interesting bits from near and far

Islanders who find interesting business shorts in their general reading are invited to share them with *The Islander* and our readers in this monthly feature by Scott Martell.

**SANIBEL-CAPTIVA**  
The Sanibel-Captiva Chamber of Commerce membership list brings out some revealing statistics. Consider the fact that there are 36 restaurants on Sanibel and Captiva. That's close to one restaurant for every 100 residents.

Another interesting figure that demonstrates the island's constantly changing nature is the number of real estate businesses listed with the chamber. There are 17 of these businesses trying to survive on Sanibel's 18 square miles and on Captiva.

And then there are shops that sell shells. The chamber lists 11 stores whose business is predominantly shells. The Sea Shell Shop has indeed become a haberdashery for specific businesses peculiar to a resort island. By the way, the chamber lists 63 resorts on Sanibel and Captiva.

## FLORIDA

Speaking of chambers of commerce, the Fort Myers chamber was started in 1920 and now has 1,800 individuals and firms as members.

And Naples might be lovely in the spring, but *Economic View* magazine reports Collier County is the most expensive place to live in Southwest Florida.

Airport activity declined in Southwest Florida this year. A 48 percent regional share of passengers flew in or out of the Southwest Florida Regional Airport, with the other 52 percent shared by the Naples, Sarasota-Bradenton, and Charlotte County airports. The total passenger count in the region for January 1984 was down more than 15 percent compared to January 1983. Naples was the only principal airport that noted any year-to-year improvement. (From *Business View*.)

Oriando is trying hard for the 1991 Pan American Games, an international sporting event second only to the Olympics. Area businesses have pledged up to \$100,000 to prepare a formal proposition to host the games. (From *Florida Trend*.)

In 1983, 27 feature films and 839 commercials or short films sponsored by private individuals — with a total production budget of \$149 million — were shot wholly or partly in the state. Florida still trails California and New York, but the gap appears to be narrowing. Florida spends \$430,000 a year for the state's Motion Picture and Television Bureau budget. (From *Florida Trend*.)

## UNITED STATES

"The United States created more jobs in the last two months of 1984 than the European Economic Community has created in the past 14 years," according to Professor David Birch of MIT.

Many other interesting points concerning American employment came out in an article from the *Sunday Times* of London.

For instance, since 1980 the United States has suffered its worst postwar recession — nevertheless there are 5.1 million more people working now than in 1980.

But this statistic gets little play in the media considering the flood of new jobs has not kept pace with the flood of job-seekers — which includes the end of the baby boomers and steadily increasing numbers of women entering the work force.

Where have the millions of jobs come from? The answer, according to Professor Birch, is from small companies in the service industries. He says that from 1980 to 1983 corporations with fewer than 500 employees raised employment by 2.7 million jobs.

The fast food industry is responsible for the

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## Sanibel Beach Club II receives hospitality award

Sanibel Beach Club II has received a hospitality award by Resort Condominiums International, a full-service exchange network headquartered in Indianapolis, Ind.

The award recognizes the commitment of affiliated resorts

to provide quality and value to consumers and the timesharing industry. Resort selections are based on unsolicited recommendations from vacation owners.

ICI was founded in 1974. A fully computerized network

enables the firm's 350,000 members to trade their vacation weeks at more than 723 resort destinations in 32 countries.

The vacation ownership industry analysts predict sales figures will grow this year to \$1.8 billion.

## Administrative assistant named at Sanibel Harbour

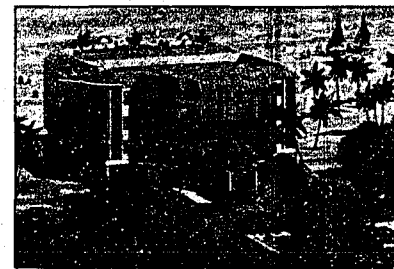
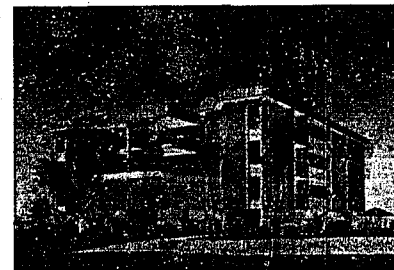
Alfred Wiles has been appointed administrative assistant of the new Sanibel Harbour Resort, home of the Jimmy Connor United States Tennis Center and the Sanibel Harbour

International Spa. Wiles comes to the Fort Myers area with both Sheraton and Hilton management experience. He has been with the hotel industry for the past 10 years.

The spa, racquet club and the Sanibel Harbour Towers North condominiums are projected for completion in December 1984.

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soared 19 percent last year to top \$1 billion, is raising new capital for an expansion drive to challenge the U.S. giants.

Nixdorf's Massachusetts subsidiary — one of seven plants worldwide — is the largest foreign-owned computer firm in the United States with 100 sales outlets nationwide. (World briefs from World Press Review.)

### THE WORLD

U.S. and European oil firms are sharply curtailing Third World exploration — down by 40 percent in some regions last year — to help finance recent corporate mergers and to redirect investments to more lucrative, politically secure sites. China, India and western Africa now are prime targets for development, while Latin America, northern Africa, and the Persian Gulf face the deepest retrenchments.

Mexico's third-largest brewer, the debt-plagued Cerveceria Moctezuma, is scrambling to restructure its \$346 million debt to avert the country's worst bankruptcy since austerity measures were imposed last year. Sales for its Superior, Dos Equis and other popular beer brands fell 16 percent in 1983.

The five-year-old McDonald's chain in Brazil will expand 65 percent this year to 36 restaurants in Rio de Janeiro and Sao Paulo — which are among its fastest-growing markets outside the United States.

Brazil's fast food boom, spurred by increasingly budget-conscious consumers, also is accelerating expansion of the Nestle-owned Bob's hamburger chain, which outsells McDonald's in Brazil nearly two to one.

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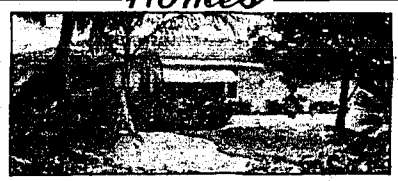
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## MUNICIPAL RECORDS

### Council considers aquatic environment more important than Ferry Landing dock

The City Council last week turned down Ray Fenton's appeal for a permit to construct a 150-foot dock in San Carlos Bay at Ferry Landing. The Planning Commission had denied the request.

Three of the four councilmen present for last Tuesday's hearing agreed with the commissioners' assessment that the increase in boating activity generated by such a facility was a potential threat to the live shell beds in that area of the bay.

Mayor Fred Valtin was the dissenter in the 3-1 vote to deny Fenton's appeal. He pointed out that docks on the bay

are a permitted use in the Comprehensive Land Use Plan.

Councilman Mike Klein had reported earlier that the Live Shelling Committee voted unanimously to recommend the council consider an amendment to the plan prohibiting additional docks on the bay side of the Island.

Valtin said that although he endorses that proposal, under current regulations docks are permitted.

Fenton argued that the dock would be a private facility for the use of the 18 homeowners at Ferry Landing and said he could foresee no appreciable

increase in boating activity there.

Fal Kair, a member of the Live Shelling Committee, said her main concern was preservation of the shelling beds. But she conceded that if a dock were allowed, Fenton's proposed location would be the right spot for it.

Planning Director Bruce Rogers said the staff's position recommending denial of the permit was based on current information.

"This is the only location where we know what the aquatic environment is," Rogers said. "Degradation of this environment happens slowly over the

years."

If the city wanted to allow the dock, Rogers said, Fenton's plan was the right way to do it. "This is a relatively small dock that will not have a dramatic effect, but we have no environmental reviews to show the impact," he said.

"This dock will benefit only 18 property owners. It's clearly a tradeoff," Rogers told the council. "How important is the aquatic environment to you?"

**More municipal records,**  
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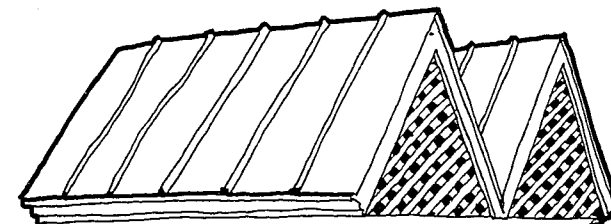
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By Mark Johnson

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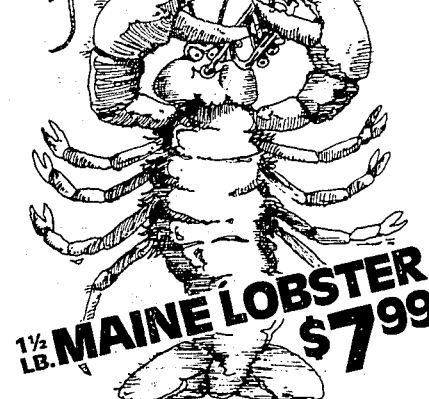
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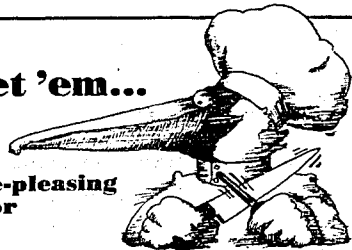
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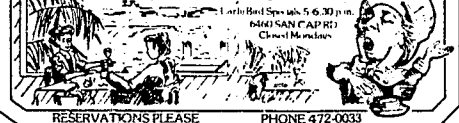
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#### 3-1 vote says Australian pine at Wil's Landing must be removed

Because a towering Australian pine on the west side of the entrance to Wil's Landing blocks visibility of motorists exiting on Periwinkle Way, a majority of the City Council last week agreed the tree should be removed.

But the council spared from the ax a second tall pine on the east side of the access drive to the restaurant complex now under construction.

Planning Director Bruce Rogers and

the city's noxious plant control officer Bill Patric inspected the site and determined the pine on the east side does not block traffic vision and is not a safety hazard.

Both agreed the tree on the west side creates a traffic hazard. Patric said the tree with considerable dead wood and sparse branching is one of the least vigorous of all the Casuarinas on Periwinkle Way.

Councilman Mike Klein and Dr. Bill


Webb of the city's Vegetation Committee inventoried the pines on Periwinkle Way four years ago and rated them on their vigor and danger factor.

"Some of these trees are probably not as healthy now as they were then," Klein said last week, adding, "it might be wise to have the Vegetation Committee reevaluate them."

Councilman Louise Johnson suggested that the council re-examine

the whole issue of Australian pines. She opposed removal of either tree and proposed that the tree on the west be trimmed to improve visibility.

"Removing it provides only better visibility for the business," she said. Johnson was the dissenter in the 3-1 vote to permit removal of one tree. Councilman Francis Bailey was absent.



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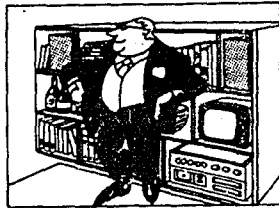
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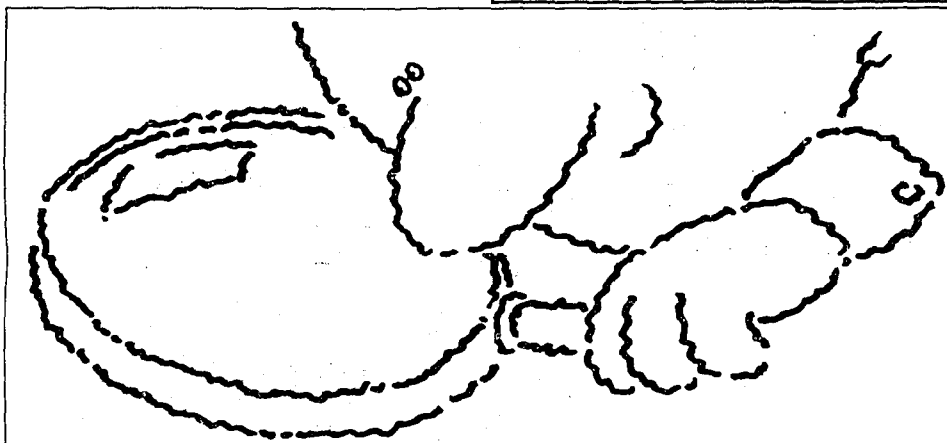


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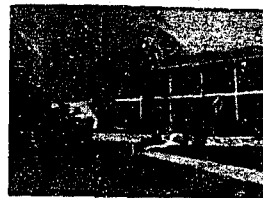
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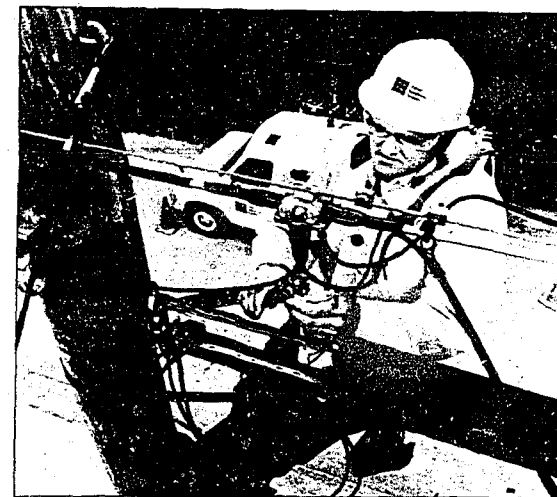
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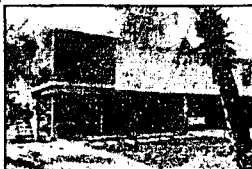


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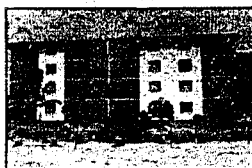


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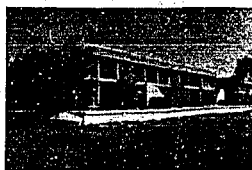


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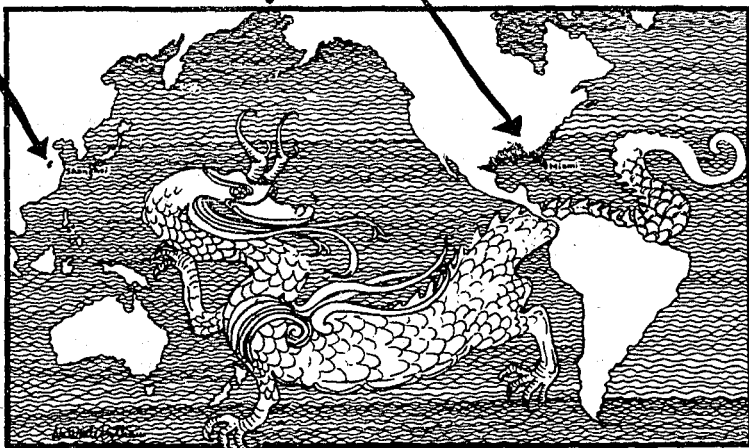
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Section B



There are two alligators of the world — our own American species and the Chinese one whose ancestors crossed from North America to Asia on the Bering Land Bridge millions of years ago. See left and right arrows for approximate present day ranges of both species. The center arrow points to the region of the land bridge that connected the two continents. The Chinese dragon, the important cultural symbol of China, might have originated with the alligator.

## The alligator that turned into a dragon

By George Campbell  
Illustrated by Ann Winterhoban

The alligators evolved from early crocodylian forms in the last 36 million years, largely on the American continent.

There have been two evolutionary dead ends: Alligator mefferdi and Alligator megrewi, which exist in the fossil record of North America. But two species remain alive in the world today: our own form, Alligator mississippiensis, and the Chinese alligator, Alligator sinensis.

Both modern species descended from Alligator prenasalis. In the early Miocene Period, Alligator thompsoni (or a close relative) crossed from North America to Asia on the Bering Land Bridge, which connected the two continents. A few of their descendants live in the lower Yangtze River basin to this day.

I journeyed to China in 1973 and again in 1976. A principal reason for making those trips was to gather as much information as possible on the status of the Chinese alligator.

In spite of stories circulated in the West about the fabulous quality and high standards of Chinese zoos, I found only a few poorly housed and poorly cared for alligators in Peking, Canton and Shanghai.

Although the Chinese take a great interest in the Giant Panda, China's other notable and even more endangered species, the Chinese alligator,

is all but neglected.

One has to search diligently in the older, broken-down corners of the zoos before any specimens can be found at all. Until recently the few remaining wild alligators were mercilessly destroyed as vermin.

The Chinese alligator was first named by A.A. Favuel, an official in the Chinese Imperial Customs, in 1873. He had a zoological bent and was also an honorary curator of the Natural History Museum in Shanghai.

The name Favuel assigned to the Chinese alligator was Alligator sinensis.

The taxonomic history of the Chinese alligator has not been quite as hazy as that of the American alligator. Funny enough, however, Deraniyagala, the Ceylonese zoologist who named a "race" of the sailwater crocodile Crocodylus porosus australis after a specimen of the American alligator that lived for a long time in a zoo in Australia, was quizzically involved with the nomenclature history of this species, too.

It seems that the Chinese alligator has a bone, the supraporbital, lying unattached to any other bone, in the upper eyelid. It was thought for a long time that the American alligator did not have this structure. Perhaps this misconception was because the bony plate is often lost when the animals die because it is not attached to the skeleton. Perhaps more methodical people dissected

the Chinese alligator and managed to save this bony plate.

The existence of the plate in the Chinese alligator and its presumed absence in the American alligator led Deraniyagala to declare that the Chinese alligator was not properly assigned to genus Alligator and was more like other members of the alligator family, such as a South American crocodylian of genus Caiman, which he knew possessed supraorbital.

Consequently, he assigned the combined name, Caligator (a contraction of Calman and Alligator), to be the genus of the Chinese animal.

Subsequent to my trips to China, Dr. Myrna Watanabe, an American research scientist and herpetologist who accomplished important alligator research at Georgia's Okefenokee Swamp, made a serious study of remaining populations and habitats as well as the natural history of the Chinese alligator.

Watanabe and her husband are co-editors of the Crocodile Specialists Group's informative newsletter that keeps students of crocodylians current on all species and subspecies that occur throughout the world.

A perusal of current literature dealing with the Chinese alligator leaves one deeply concerned about its future. It might soon disappear from the wild. Alligator farms in China and captive breeding in zoos and at

Rockefeller Refuge in Louisiana might constitute the only hope for survival of a few hundred of these animals.

Dr. Huang Zhujian, a scientist of the Zoological Research Institute of the Chinese Academy of Sciences, describes this species' plight. His article appeared in Oryx in October 1981.

The Chinese alligator is an important natural treasure. Huang recognizes. It is recorded from ancient archaeological sites in China, some going back more than 3,000 years. One, the oldest record I know of, is described here.

Anne Underhill Kingscott, a brilliant young American anthropologist and daughter of Sanibel citizens (and proud parents) Ed and Twink Underhill, helped me with her data. She specialized in Late Neolithic China, from about 2800 to 2400 B.C.

Kingscott's massive and erudite work, A Mortuary Analysis of the Dawenkow Cemetery Site, Shandong, China, was prepared in support of her graduate degree at the University of British Columbia.



The Chinese alligator (below) and the American alligator (above). In the late 1960s both of these young animals were in the author's collection, which was the world's largest save that of the Berlin Aquarium.

Located on the Dawen River, which is part of the Yellow River watershed, Dawenkow Cemetery is about 400 miles northwest of Shanghai and 200 miles south of Beijing (Peking). There, at a grave designated as L 10, a number of high-status artifacts were found including 84 alligator hide pieces.

One would have to examine these artifacts to absolutely determine that they were from the Chinese alligator and not from imported crocodile.

The weight of evidence suggests the artifacts were from the alligator, however, because Dawenkow Cemetery is much closer to the original range of the alligator than to that of any other Asian crocodylian species. Thus this record, dating back to between 9,800 and 4,800 years ago, constitutes the earliest record I can find of the species. Most literature suggests this ancient reptile was known from records that go back 300 years.

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Chinese alligator in what he called Karazan Province. I can't find Karazan Province on any maps, new or old, but possibly the name was applied to an area within the ancestral range of the Chinese alligator. Polo's wanderings did take him into the southern part of Asia, where it is conceivable that he might have encountered either the saltwater crocodile, *Crocodylus porosus*, the Siamese crocodile, *Crocodylus siamensis*, or the mugger crocodile, *Crocodylus palustris*. So it is possible that Polo mixed up his crocodilian species.

Watanabe found the word *tulong*, meaning "earth dragon," widely used for the alligator in Anhui Province. It happens that a popular symbol in Chinese art and culture is the dragon. Some people — and I am one of them — believe the natural origin of the cultural concept of the Chinese dragon is the Chinese alligator, *Lung*, long, and similar sounding words mean "dragon" in various Chinese languages.

But the concept of the dragon is not at all confined to the Orient. Many cultures in the West have their dragons, too. In the West the dragon is usually considered an evil force. Jorge Borges, the Argentine student of dragon imagery, says: "We are ignorant of the meaning of the dragon in the same way that we are ignorant of the meaning of the universe, but there is something in the dragon's image that fits man's imagination, and this accounts for the dragon's appearance in different places in different periods."

Dragon myths and records of their exist in all ages and civilizations, but certainly the Chinese have made more of it than most of the rest of us.

The Chinese differentiate between male and female dragons. The male has horns and a violently writhing body. He usually has wide-open, fire-breathing nostrils, deep-set eyes and a

Neoplatonist beard — in spite of the fact that he is supposed to be an auspicious, friendly animal. The female is without horns and does not writhe so violently, but moves in a more graceful, wavy manner. She has fewer scales, a curly mane, and a longer tail. Such is the concept of the dragon in China.

Although the dragon is purely imaginary, the origin of the concept can probably be traced back to some real animal that more than likely existed in prehistoric times. This is compatible with the theory of the Chinese alligator's being the dragon inspiration in China.

Because there are crocodilians throughout the world (and the two temperate species, the Chinese and the American alligators), there is no reason not to believe they entered into the development of the dragon concept in many parts of the world.

Crocodilian species might have contributed to the strange genetic kind of memory that Jung calls the "collective unconscious memory of the human race."

Today a few alligators can be found in a number of provinces in the lower Yangtze region. If there is any place where a concentration of numbers could exist, it would be Anhui Province to the west of Shanghai.

Prior to 1956 an alligator census on 123 Peoples' Communes was made. The total figures are not available, but a declining population is inferred. Huang states that by 1976 the population had declined in 29 communes from 360 to 120. Alligators are decreasing even though the Chinese government has classified the species as "rare and endemic" and as "First Class Protected Animals."

Watanabe's 1981 expedition to China encompassed about 2,800 square kilometers out of a total remnant

alligator range of 25,000 square kilometers.

Watanabe's studies took in seven Peoples' Communes. Alligators lived in rice paddies and irrigation ponds in cultivated areas. She also studied alligator habitat in mountain foothills, where the animals were found on tree farms in isolated reservoirs at relatively low elevations. Some areas were heavily people-populated, others less so. They did not study riverine habitats because most of the alligators in those areas drowned in 1957, an extreme flood year.

In six of the seven Communes studied, there were 63 known animals of which 18 were adult and 24 sub-adult. The remaining 21 could not be categorized accurately. Many animals had been dug from dens, killed for no reason or illegally sold to zoos or to an alligator farm being developed at Xuancheng. Soon the newly-established farm had 89 animals.

Watanabe concluded that more wild animals than she could count existed in the region and, because of accessibility problems, were missed in the census.

The real problem with the remaining alligators is habitat destruction. Those impacted in the high human density agricultural areas (rice paddies, etc.) attempt to move to the reservoirs of the foothill tree farms. When the reservoirs dry up during periods of drought, the animals seek other wet habitat. Trouble is, there isn't any available to them any more. So populations decline and alligator farming becomes the only realistic option. But this doesn't work too well either.

Watanabe tells me that recent word from Anhui Province indicates that even on the farms, the animals are not safe from human predation. Animals and eggs are being illegally collected, sold or destroyed.

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A leading U.S. alligator authority, Ted Joanen, of Rockefeller Wildlife Refuge in Louisiana, is in charge of the internationally-sponsored Chinese alligator breeding effort in this country. Babies were first hatched there in 1960, and more have been hatched since then. Some are being carefully reared at the Bronx Zoo. Houston Zoo is also involved.

Captive breeding stock is hard to find. There are a dozen animals in Japanese zoos and perhaps eight in the Palm House at Poznan, Poland, where no breeding effort had been undertaken when I saw the animals there. This latter group should be transferred to Louisiana and incorporated into the breeding colony, even though they are getting quite old.

There are a few other specimens here and there in zoos around the world that might be assembled in Louisiana for this project.

I have had some slight experience with the Chinese alligator: I first saw a pair displayed in an amusement park, Kim Saw Zoo, in 1958. They were rather insignificant looking animals, and so I sought out the owner in an effort to offer him a pair of large, much more show-worthy American alligators in exchange for his two measly little two-foot Chinese specimens. He refused, smart man that he was, realizing the increasing rarity of this ever more endangered animal.

About that time, a pair of Chinese alligators was brought into the United States from the Moscow Zoo's trading arm, Zoocentre. This is sort of the "Armory" of wild animals. This transaction took place before the rift between the Kremlin and Peking. At that time, one could often see rare Chinese animals in Soviet zoos and museums. So it was with the Chinese alligator.

A friend was able to negotiate for two small animals that were sent to the United States. They

were probably sent to a Yak ranch in Tibet. But Watanabe recognizes the need for husbandry information to be in the hands of Chinese alligator farm communes, and I have confidence that she will see the information gets there.

The owner of these animals, Itay Pawley, today curator of herpetology of the Chicago Zoological Society, turned them over to me to include in my collection of crocodilians, which was at that time the second largest in the world.

Pawley felt that if anybody could bring these animals back to health, I could, because of the long experience I had had with all species and subspecies of crocodilians.

A good diet paid off. Both animals regained their health. Their bones and teeth became solid once again, and they grew appreciably, although I suspect that they were probably permanently stunted and would not achieve full size because of their mistreatment in Moscow's Animal Gulag.

One specimen eventually found its way to a zoo in South Dakota. The other went to Ross Allen in Silver Springs, Fla., and lived long enough to have its picture taken for Wilfred Nell's crocodilian book, *The Last of the Reptiles*.

Considering all of the problems of the Chinese alligator, its best boost into the 21st Century will be provided by captive breeding — some of which will be in the land of its (very ancient) ancestors of the Miocene Age: North America.

Joanen and his associates have developed completely successful husbandry techniques for alligators of both species. With his consent and cooperation, I furnished a large package of his data to the Chinese in 1979. If their government is like many governments around the world, these data

### Clarification

An error of fact crept into the Cyend article of June 5, 1984: "Cyends reproduce like pines, by means of male pollen bearing structures that look like real pine cones but are botanically known as ovulate strobili, which is ... the correct name for pine cones."

"Ovulate strobili" are female (females have ovaries). "Staminate strobili" are male (males have staminate parts).

This is to correct the incorrect impression that I don't know females from males!

George Campbell

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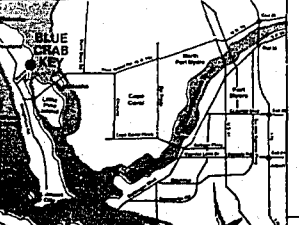
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## ARTS ON THE ISLANDS

By Julie Niedenfuer

### Art keeps teacher's spirit alive through personal, wartime tragedies



Above, Hanny Boonstra reflects on days gone by; left, Hanny's portrait of a Balinese dancer.

To some, art is a hobby. To others it is a means of income or investment. Some do artwork for its therapeutic benefits.

For Johanna Boonstra, art, along with a healthy sense of humor and a lot of intestinal fortitude, kept her spirit alive as she faced trials and tragedies many of us would have a hard time even imagining.

Johanna, or "Hanny" as she likes to be called (although, she says with a strong Dutch accent, "That name has gotten me in trouble with men all times. They think I'm saying 'Honey'"), was born 63 years ago in Djakarta, the capital of Indonesia. She spent the first 20 years of her life traveling throughout the islands of Java and Sumatra with her father, a military man in the Dutch Eastern Army.

Because her family was never close enough to a city ("We were the only white family living in the jungles," she says), her first seven years of schooling were through a correspondence school. "My mother was very strict," she says, adding that she was required to study at least five hours every day.

By the time she was ready to enter high school, Hanny's father had been transferred to a larger city so she was able to attend the regular public school system.

"There were maybe five white Dutch pupils," she says. "Indonesia was tremendously mixed — there were Chinese, Indians, South Africans — I had a great advantage to learn about others. It's helped me teach my children to have respect for every skin tone, every religion."

When she was 20, Hanny graduated from high school. "It seems late, but I had to double two classes. Languages were my downfall — I flunked with the essays."

Each language that provided an obstacle, however, she eventually mastered and is now fluent in French, German, English, Dutch and Malayan, the official language of Indonesia.

After she graduated from high school her family returned to Holland. It was at that time the Germans began their occupation of the country. "It was five years of the most horrible

invasion and war," she says, shaking her head.

To obtain her teaching certificate, she was required to pass grueling tests, which were made all the more difficult with a war raging just beyond the classroom door. "I had 16 days of exams in the middle of bombardments. That was doing it the hard way, to say the least."

After earning her teaching degree in art and art needlework, she began teaching classes in Amsterdam. Her pupils were all girls from 13 to 21 years old.

Hanny recalls that her pupils often fainted in class from starvation. And their teacher didn't fare much better. With no bitterness she says, "Many days a half a slice of bread was all I had."

Her classroom was on an upper floor of the school, and Hanny remembers that "the alarm would sound and we'd run down 20 staircases. By the time we got down we'd get the clear signal and had to go back up. This was with 35 kids."

"Things didn't get any better as the war dragged on. "By the last year of the war, 1944 or '45, we had to eat tulip bulbs," she says, adding that they tasted somewhat similar to a potato that has been frozen. "We would put mustard on top for flavor."

There was one important bright spot in the blackness that surrounded the war years. During that time Hanny met her future husband, Bram.

"We didn't have time to behave nice or to have nice clothes. We were starving. And so many friends were killed around us."

On the salary she made teaching art, Hanny supported herself, her parents, her husband and his crippled aunt. "My husband was a chemist, so we had to hide him," she explains. "We had a hiding place for him in the closet when the Germans came looking for him." As the food ran out, Hanny was forced to sell everything she had, save for the clothes she wore.

Seven years after the war, in 1952, she and her husband came to the United States. Bram's reputation in chemistry had spanned the Atlantic and he was invited to this country to lecture by chemical companies impressed by his expertise

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and knowledge in the field. He quickly landed a job with Cabot Carbon Block of Massachusetts. Hanny continued teaching art to American pupils, but this time the lessons were strictly private ones. Although she had established a sterling reputation of her own in Holland and the number of students she taught increased from 5 to 50, her Dutch teaching certificates were of no value to the American public school system. She had to start again from scratch.

The Boonstras stayed for 28 years in Massachusetts before another set of tragedies compelled them to move to Sanibel in 1981. In 1979 one of the couple's two children, Eric, who at the time was 27, suffered permanent injuries in a diving accident. He was paralyzed from the waist down.

"Right at the very beginning," Hanny says, "Eric said to the doctors, 'You've told me what I can't do — now tell me what I can do.' He knows that someday he'll walk again."

At 32, Eric is now working on his second master's degree and plans to marry later this year. His strong will and sunny optimism Hanny attributes to his Dutch ancestry and the fact that he was an Eagle Scout.

She takes less credit than she should for her part in his upbringing. And she takes even less credit for the role she has played in the lives of her students through the years. She has never had a pupil quit a class, and several have gone on to become teachers.

Part of her success as an instructor comes from the fact that she approaches teaching with the same philosophy that courses through her own life. Encouragement and a positive, optimistic attitude is the rule of thumb in her instruction. She urges pupils to branch out into other areas, such as using other media or innovative methods.

Nature is a theme frequently found in her paintings and a popular one in class. She often brings to class live specimens for pupils to paint or draw.

This fall Hanny will once again offer her classes for children and adults. The media will vary, she says. "Whatever a student wants to use."

In addition to an obvious knack for successfully incorporating subtle humor in her paintings, she also demonstrates an exceptional talent in selecting color and composition in her portraits, landscapes — whatever she happens to be painting.

A perusal of the canvasses throughout her home shows an obvious preoccupation with nature, something that has long been part of her life.

"There is one thing I'll never forget as long as I live," she says. "It was during the war and I had gone out for a walk along the dunes. I saw a rabbit preening himself. Every once in a while he'd glance up at the sound of a bomb in the distance — and then he'd go on preening and cleaning himself. Just as though he knew it was something that wouldn't affect him."

"When he finished, he turned around and disappeared into a hole in the ground."

She pauses for a moment and then says, "Even when the worst is going on around us we have to remember that life goes on. We have to make the best of things and be grateful for what we have."

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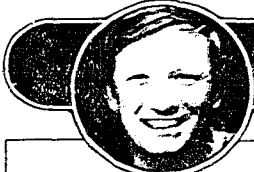
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# ON THE WATER

By Captain Mike Fuery

To say that we have experienced a lot of strange weather lately would be a gross understatement, especially since the cold front that topped off the end of May.

The tarpon couldn't figure it out. These big game fish wanted to show up around the islands and start their annual mating, but the weatherman did not cooperate.

But since the passage of the front that impinged into the first few days of June, the tarpon have started to act like normal, hungry, big game fish. There are a lot of things we don't understand about these fish that can weigh 100 pounds and measure six feet long. But we do know that every year they migrate from warmer waters to the coastal waters of Southwest Florida to mate. They show up by the hundreds, especially in world famous Boca Grande Pass.

We also know that they should have started to appear in numbers by the middle of May. But someone forgot to tell the tarpon. It seems a combination of atmospheric conditions must be present for them to breed.

The correct water temperature, the right salinity and possibly the amount of daylight all play a part in when the tarpon get active and start to appear around here.

to catch. Some anglers think very dry years make the best tarpon seasons.

Anyway, some big fish are being caught from the flats of Pine Island Sound, but since the normal hot temperatures have returned many fish have appeared at Boca Grande Pass. They should be there for another month or so, but after that their numbers will not be so great. After July 4 the fishing pressure won't be so high, but you should still be able to land some fish in the pass.

Let me briefly give you some points on how to fish for tarpon at Boca Grande. First, you need a boat, and going out to anything under 30 feet is putting yourself in danger. The pass can be very rough at times, and since you are working against the tide usually seawards, to keep your ball down) small boats become difficult to handle. Take turns at the steering wheel because you just cannot fish and handle the boat at the same time.

Many weekends upwards of 75 boats are out there at dawn for tarpon. Tarpon tournaments weekends these might be a 100 or more from 13 to 60 feet.

Both crabs and small fish can be bought at Miller's Marina on Gasparilla Island and at a couple of other marinas on the islands. The crabs are selling for \$8 a dozen, and you will need at least one dozen.

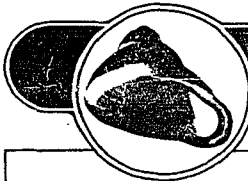
The best lesson you can have is if you go to the pass and watch carefully how the professional guides fish. This is drift fishing, with the crabs down some 40 to 60 feet. Don't anchor and don't troll. The boats take turns drifting over the feeding fish. There is a massive hole on the north side of the pass, and this is where most of the hook-ups take place.

At times you will see literally hundreds of tarpon rolling on the surface of the pass - but not a single one will be caught. They are picky eaters. But when they are ready to feed, look out.

You won't connect with a tarpon every time you go out. This is big game fishing, and a strong element of chance is involved.

About the middle of July, when the pass is nearly deserted and the so-called "tarpon season" is over, I fish for tarpon. Then you can use light tackle.

In the meantime there are still many fish roaming the shallow flats of Pine Island Sound. Tarpon make spectacular sport, and even if you don't want to fish for them yourself, the boat trip to Boca Grande to watch the fish and the other boats is well worth the effort. Good luck this week.



# SHELLING TIPS

By Captain Mike Fuery

We are fortunate to have wide, sandy beaches without rocks or swift underflows to worry about as we swim or look for shells around Sanibel and Captiva.

However, there is a marine creature that will appear in our waters soon and should have your attention. Several varieties of jellyfish come ashore, but the most common one is the moon jellyfish. Let's talk about this unusual "fish" this week.

First, although the moon jellyfish can inflict a sting, the irritation usually passes quickly and does not cause great pain. I say this because many island visitors are familiar with the infamous man-of-war jellyfish. This jelly is a purple bubble and long tentacles that hang down as it floats on the water.

But the man-of-war is rarely found on our beaches. We know they are found in the deep Gulf of Mexico waters, and I see maybe two or three a year on our beaches. They usually appear after a prolonged westerly storm drives them ashore.

Anyway, the man-of-war has a reputation for inflicting a very painful, long-lasting sting. I have had encounters with them while diving for lobsters along the southeastern shores of Florida. Divers occasionally surface right under the tentacles of the jellyfish. The purple tentacles leave long, inflamed,

whip-like marks.

I recently heard of a novice diver who was exploring reefs off Key West and had to be hospitalized because he inadvertently surfaced under a large man-of-war.

Fortunately, here in Southwest Florida we have only a few jellyfish to watch for as the waters turn warmer. The moon jellyfish is well named. It has a clear body and is interesting to study. If you find one in shallow, clear waters, you can actually watch it breathe. It eats microscopic bits of food that float in the water.

The moon jellyfish appears around this time in large numbers and will be relatively common until the waters turn cooler, say around the first of November. Some years they are very thick in Pine Island Sound waters and along the gulf shores. Other years, they pose no problem at all.

The moon jellyfish might weigh two pounds and be the size of a volleyball.

The largest of the jellyfish is called the lion's mane or red jellyfish. This one can be three feet across and have tentacles that can extend to 200 feet. They attract and eat small fish.

One of the most dangerous of all the jellyfish is found frequently off Australia. It is called the sea

wasp and apparently can cause death in humans under the right conditions. The danger of those makes our moon jellyfish look harmless.

Still, some people do show sting marks after they walk or swim into the floating moon jellyfish. These jellyfish do not affect me very much at all; I can touch them with no apparent sting at all. Other people get that burning sensation from the same jellyfish.

Give the moon jellyfish plenty of room in the water and don't let their presence drive you away, unless winds or tides have concentrated them right where you want to swim.

There are several remedies for treating a jellyfish sting. Most people use ice and rubbing alcohol. Witch hazel soothes the skin, too. Some swear that meat tenderizer sprinkled on the spot is best. Others simply consume internal soothers purchased at most grocery stores in lots of six.

Good shelling this week, and keep an eye out for the clear, moon-shaped jellyfish.

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# ISLANDER SPORTS

By Scott Martell

## Mucky Duck takes Naumann in tightly contested game

Mucky Duck won last week's "Game of the Week" in a tightly contested game against Naumann, 9-8.

Mucky Duck and Naumann were the second and third place teams in the season opening Old Sports for Youth Sports tournament. The closeness of Sunday's game showed there might be some intense competition at the top of the league this year.

The Islander will feature one game each week. All teams are encouraged to call in their scores after each game and also supply details such as winning pitcher, key hits and leading batters. Sunday games must be called in by 9 a.m. Monday to make Tuesday's paper. Give us a call at 472-5185.

In Sunday's game, Mucky Duck blew down the doors in the first inning, scoring six runs. But Naumann quickly came back to score four runs in the bottom of the first inning. The stage was set — with Mucky Duck always staying just a touch ahead of the scrambling Naumann team.

Grant Erickson blasted a two-run homerun over the right centerfield fence in the second inning to put Mucky Duck up 8-4.

Naumann got a burst of inspiration in the third inning when Steve Fisher made a dramatic catch to pour cold water on another Mucky Duck rally. Naumann came on to score one run in their half of the inning to get closer at 8-5.

Naumann rallies in both the third and the fourth innings were halted when Mucky Duck pitcher Roger Osborne caught sizzling line drives.

Mucky Duck picked up their ninth run in the fifth, but Naumann scored two in that inning to edge close at 9-7.

Then in the sixth, Naumann's Brian Bissell

singled, took second on a fly, and then scored on a hit by brother Steve Bissell to bring Naumann within one run of Mucky Duck.

Mucky Duck was uncomfortable with just a one run lead and quickly began a rally. But Naumann pitcher Bob Vardal had an inning ending double play, scooping up a hard grounder, tossing it to second baseman Brian Bissell who pivoted and tossed to first baseman Dick Muench.

But Mucky Duck defense also proved tough. Naumann went down one, two, three — thanks to a tremendous catch in centerfield by Tom Wichberg.

Osborne was the winning pitcher and also added three hits and scored two runs. Bob Christy had two hits and scored two runs. And Erickson had a double to go with his homerun.

In opening games last Tuesday, Island Medical Center beat South Seas, 7-5; then Naumann beat Mariner 11-3; and Mucky Duck and the Dunes played to a rare tie, 6-6 in eight innings.

In games last Thursday, West Wind beat Peppers; Island Exxon beat South Seas, 9-5; and Island Medical Center beat Mariner, 4-3.

Sunday, Mucky Duck beat Naumann, 9-8; and Dunes 8ers beat Peppers, 7-4.

Standings as of Monday, June 11, are:  
 •Island Medical Center, 2-0  
 •West Wind, 1-0  
 •Island Exxon, 1-0  
 •Mucky Duck, 1-0-1  
 •Dunes 8ers, 1-0-1  
 •Naumann, 1-1  
 •Mariner, 0-2  
 •Peppers, 0-2  
 •South Seas, 0-2



Naumann's Steve Fisher scoops a blooper to center field in Sunday afternoon's game against the Mucky Duck. Photo by Mark Johnson.

This week's schedule includes:

- Tuesday, June 12 — 6:30 p.m., Island Medical Center vs. Naumann; 7:45 p.m., South Seas vs. West Wind; 9 p.m., Peppers vs. Island Exxon.
- Thursday, June 14 — 6:30 p.m., Mucky Duck vs. Island Exxon; 7:45 p.m., Naumann vs. Dunes 8ers; 9 p.m., Mariner vs. Peppers.
- Sunday, June 17 — 2 p.m., South Seas vs. Mariner; 3 p.m., Island Medical Center vs. West Wind.

## Sportsman of the Week

### Rich Price

Rich Price, second baseman and power hitter for West Wind in the men's softball league, is this week's Sportsman of the Week.

Last week Price's grand slam homerun over the left centerfield fence in the seventh inning clinched the Old Sports for Youth Sports tournament for West Wind. Price added two other homeruns in the tournament, and his bat might make other teams less likely to intentionally walk powerful Oscar Gavin, who bats before Price.

The Sportsman of the Week recognizes local athletes from fishermen to ballplayers and swimmers to golfers.

The Islander welcomes nominations for Sportsman of the Week. Nominations should be in our office by noon Thursday and can be made by calling Scott Martell.



Rich Price

## Beachview women's golf

Ten women played a tournament for the Beachview Women's Summer League Wednesday, May 30.

The winners were Eileen Joy and Ruth Reich with plus six. Placing second were Arlene Mercer and June Bailey with minus two.

Wednesday play is open to members and non-members. Please sign up for the weekly tournaments by noon Monday.

## Beachview men's golf

28 members of the Beachview Men's Golf Association travelled to Naples to play a round at the Naples Beach Club on Wednesday, June 6.

The winning team with a score of 113 was Jerry Muench, Ed Barrow, Don Purcell and Dave Wooster. Placing second with 120 were Ira Hartman, George Brauch, Tom Roderick and Gary Hettrick.

On Tuesday, June 5, in a Beachview tournament the winners with plus six were Jeff Dean, Bob Amerine, Bob Sagers and Hank Groh.

On Saturday, June 2, 29 players had another tournament. This time the winning team with plus 11 was Bruce Henderson, Jim Brascoe, Ed Berone and Ray Howland. The second place team with plus 7 was Don Purcell, Warren Hyde, Bob Schneider and Dave Wooster.

## Sports quiz

"Jimmy the Greek" and Richard Balls didn't find it hard to believe that someone would "golf" all the way across the United States. But no one guessed who holds the PGA record for the longest drive.

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Jack Nicklaus holds the United States PGA record with a 341-yard drive in July 1963.

This week we go to baseball: First, Sandy Koufax set the record for strike outs in a single season with 382 in 1965 with the Dodgers. Who broke that record? And second, can you name the former Cardinal pitcher who broke Grover Cleveland Alexander's record for lowest ERA in a season in the National League?

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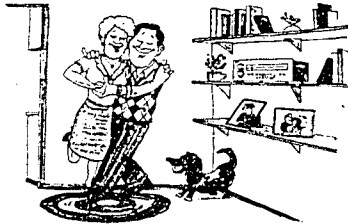
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This column provides information about the latest classes, tournaments, teams and try-outs taking place and other services that are offered at the city's recreation complex.

\*The complex is open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday. The pool is open during the lunch hour, and at least two lanes are open for adult lap swimming at all times.

\*Softball players take note! The rec complex is considering a co-ed softball league. But first it must be determined if enough interest exists in the community to support such a league.

Interested islanders should call the rec complex and voice their enthusiasm if they wish such a league to develop.

\*And for kids, the summer recreation program starts June 18 and runs through July.

Recreation Director Dick Noon says a Frisbee instructor will be available at the summer program. A larger staff will provide everything from arts and crafts to dancing and aerobics.

The program will again be absolutely free and run every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

Every Friday the complex will sponsor a "Sports Day" fun competition in which youths will compete in various activities from track and field to shooting baskets.

To register their children for the program parents must fill out a registration form, which is available at the rec complex.

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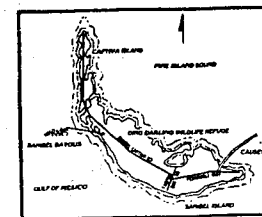
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