



A surflet of roof rats 1B

Some take pictures; others make them 4B

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Dozens of black skimmers have made their nests on one of the Causeway Islands, drawing curious onlookers and photographers to the bright colored rope that cordons off their chosen quarters. Learn more about the marine birds' nesting ritual on page 18A. Photos by Mark Johnson.

County approves 4-cent gas tax

By Barbara Brundage
Though Lee County motorists — both residents and visitors — will pay more for gasoline after the 4-cent local option tax goes into effect Sept. 1, 5 percent of the extra revenue will swell the coffers of the city of Sanibel.
The Lee County Commission approved the additional tax last week despite a strong protest by citizens who wanted the issue put to a vote of the people.
Sanibel's 5 percent share of the \$5 million revenue generated annually by the county-wide tax will be about \$250,000. Lee County will get 64 percent of the tax proceeds: Cape Coral, 17 percent; and Fort Myers, 14

percent.
All four governmental entities have said the revenue will be used for road improvements.
City Manager Bernie Murphy has said the monies (\$1.3 million over five years) will help fund Sanibel's proposed long range \$5.7 million road improvement program.
Sanibel resident Paulette Burton, chairman of the Committee for Constitutional Government, which spearheaded a petition drive to put the issue to a referendum, was not available for comment after the commission's decision last week.
Burton had previously indicated that regardless of the

Sanibel will receive approximately \$1.3 million over five years from the tax. The funds will be used for road improvements.

commission's decision her committee would continue the fight for the people's right to vote on the question.
County Commissioner Porter Goss, a former Sanibel mayor

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Accounting study will examine trash collection rates

The study was prompted by angry condominium owners who charge they pay more than their fair share for mandatory garbage collection.

By Barbara Brundage
Sanibel Disposal, Inc.'s plan to hire a certified public accounting firm to study its current cost of operations and to make sure these costs are allocated equitably among its customers served has been endorsed by both the city of Sanibel and the Condominium Association of Sanibel, Inc.
The City Council lauded SDI owner Joe Hamstra for initiating the study of the rates charged for trash and garbage collection on the island. Hamstra's business operates under a franchise agreement with the city.

"It will certainly give us a firmer base for understanding the rate structure," Mayor Fred Vaitin said about the study.
When the city adopted mandatory refuse collection in January 1983, condominiums were moved from the commercial rate category to the residential category. The change caused a dramatic increase in the annual charge to condominiums for garbage collection.
When the rate change became effective in April 1983, some condominium associations rebelled and refused to pay their bills.

In an effort to soothe ruffled feathers the council established a new rate category (Residential Condominium) lowering the charge from \$8.95 per unit per month, which single-family homeowners pay, to \$6.56 per month for condominiums.
But CASI members still were not satisfied. They threatened to sue the city charging the rates were inequitable.

Last Tuesday CASI representative William Flitow told the council the group endorsed the study with the hope it will "put the argument to rest once and for all."

Bill Neron of Probe, Batson and Co., the firm Hamstra has hired to conduct the study, told the council the principal goal is "to determine Sanibel Disposal's true cost of operation and to make sure the cost is allocated equitably among all rate classifications."

"We have no intention of getting into the question of the company's rate of return," he added.
Neron urged the council to appoint as soon as possible the committee Hamstra proposed to work with him from the beginning and approve the methodology used for the study.

Following City Manager Bernie Murphy's suggestion the council will include representatives of each of the user classifications (commercial, residential and condominium) on the committee.
Vaitin said he would ask the Sanibel-Captiva Chamber of Commerce, the Committee of Neighborhood Associations and CASI each to submit at least three nominees. The City Manager or his designee will serve ex officio.

Hamstra has also asked the city to review the rate setting provisions of his current franchise. Although no rate adjustment is being requested at this time, he said he felt certain changes could be incorporated to better define the procedure in the future.

Neron said the study should be completed by late September or early October.

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ISLAND SHORTS

Community news and announcements about your friends and neighbors

What's in a name?

Gibby's on Sanibel is finding out

What's in a name? Apparently a lot to a Fort Lauderdale restaurant with the name Gibby's. Wait a minute — isn't there a Sanibel restaurant with the same name? Yup — and therein lies the problem.

The Fort Lauderdale Gibby's coined the name first, and the owners have started blowing some ill wind toward Dave Gibson's sports motif restaurant here on Sanibel.

"It's been a pretty screwy thing," Gibson said, Gibson is the general manager of Sanibel's Gibby's, which Gibson's father owns. "They've made a pretty big deal out of us having the same name," he added.

Gibson said he researched state corporate records before he opened his restaurant last fall, and the records showed no Gibby's name registered. The Fort Lauderdale restaurant was registered under a corporate title.

So, feeling in the clear, Gibson came up with the name Gibby's — a take-off on his last name and something he felt was "short, catchy and personal."

"We'll change our name," Gibson said. "We have been considering one or two possibilities. But I think we'll go with Gibbys."

After all, there's no big deal dropping a single letter — especially one that asks such a pertinent question, Gibson has been grinding his teeth and saying that letter quite a bit lately.

Paula Acosta weds Glenn Patterson

Paula Koho Acosta and Glenn Joseph Patterson were married Saturday afternoon, June 16, 1984, at their riverfront home in Fort Myers. The Rev. Richard Stein officiated.

The bride is an advertising representative for The Islander. Her husband works for Tedder Distributors of Fort Myers.

Matron of honor was Tanja Wooster of Cape Coral. Best man was Victor Markiewicz of Atlanta. The bride's mother is Kaarina Koho of Finland. The groom's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Myron Patterson of Albany, N.Y. Out of town guests included the



Paula and Glenn Patterson. The couple honeymooned at Tortugas Beach Club on Sanibel.

DO YOU REMEMBER?

15 Years Ago This Week
June 26, 1969
The U.S. Department of the Interior has informed local officials that a plan has been approved to enlarge the J.N. "Ding" Darling Bird Sanctuary on Sanibel by 234 acres. The additional acreage will bring to 1,590 the total area of the sanctuary.

10 Years Ago This Week
June 25, 1964
Lee County Commissioners P.A. Geraci said this week the county will erect a prefabricated building in Turner Park at Blind Pass within the next 60 days that will include rest rooms and a place where visitors can get out of the rain.

The county's recent clearing of a roadway to Bowman's Beach on Sanibel had sparked speculation that the Turner Park option would be dropped.

5 Years Ago This Week
June 26, 1979
Care and Rehabilitation of Wildlife President Adelaide Chermontier has announced that the wildlife organization has found a permanent home. Chermontier said CROW has signed a contract with Col. John Sawbridge for 10 acres of land across from Sanibel Elementary School for \$35,000.

1 Year Ago This Week
June 23, 1983
Sanibel Lt. Ray Rhodes graduated last week from the 133rd session of the prestigious FBI National Academy in Quantico, Va. He was among a select group of 249 officers from across the country who completed the 11 weeks of intensive curriculum designed to meet the needs of contemporary law enforcement.

20 Years Ago This Week
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Mario Hutton is visiting Sanibel from New York. He said he read about the islands in the New York Daily News and decided to visit. Already Hutton has decided to build a home here on Tulipa Way.

The summer of '84 YCC teens are spending it improving the Island environment

Wondering what to do with spirited teenagers in the summer? One good bet is to put them to work for the environment.

Last week the new crew of Youth Conservation Corp workers who toil at the J.N. "Ding" Darling Wildlife refuge went "on loan" to the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation. Their goal — to improve what might become a Wildlife sanctuary on SCCF property in the Dunes.

The young workers spent much of last Thursday planning red mangroves, leather ferns, green buttonwoods and other native vegetation around a man-made lake in the Dunes.

"The area was a virtual desert," said Dee Silnkard, director of the SCCF Native Plant Nursery.

Now the banks of the lake are lined with almost 1,000 native plants — restoring a normal plant community to the shores. The plants will help stop erosion of the banks and will offer a better habitat for wildlife with more shade and various food for all kinds of creatures.



YCC members hard at work

City employees' expertise leads to committee appointments

Sanibel Police Officer Don Case, an avid boater, can put his nautical knowledge to good use as a member of the Lee County Marine Advisory Committee.

The City Council has recommended that the County Commission appoint Case to replace Fritz Stoppelbein as Sanibel's representative.

Stoppelbein, who resigned "for reasons of health" had served on the committee since November 1978. Case was Stoppelbein's own choice as his successor.

Dr. Dorothy Newman, director of Sanibel's Below Market Rate Housing Authority will be doing what comes naturally, too, as a member of the state's new Community Housing Resource Board. Newman was the City Council's unanimous choice for the post.

Persistence prevails

Islander office manager Belinda York's persistence prevailed and, with a little bit of luck on her side too, she became one of six winners last week in a contest sponsored by Orange 107-FM.

The object of the contest: Guess how much shredded U.S. currency was in a container the size of a railroad boxcar on display at the Edison Mall.

York made 32 phone calls before she finally got through to tell the d.j. her guess — \$10,965.53 — on the last day of the contest. She learned June 17 that she was the sixth closest guesser. That distinction won York \$1,000 worth of jewelry from Zak's jewelry store in Cape Coral.

What does she plan to cash in on at the jewelry store? "Let's put it this way," she says, "Everybody knows what they're getting for Christmas."

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Weather watch Everybody talks about it...



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

	HIGH	LOW	RAIN
Monday, June 18	86	71	0
Tuesday, June 19	88	73	0
Wednesday, June 20	88	76	0
Thursday, June 21	88	75	0
Friday, June 22	88	77	Trace
Saturday, June 23	88	76	0
Sunday, June 24	88	80	.03

We're looking for a few good hurricane experiences

Only those people who have actually weathered a hurricane themselves truly respect the wrath Mother Nature unleashes in these great storms.

In an effort to convey the seriousness of a hurricane to our readers, many of whom are new to Southwest Florida and have never even been caught in a summer squall, Islander reporter Scott Martell wants your true life hurricane stories for inclusion in this year's Hurricane Extra. The special supplement will be published in early August.

If you have a hurricane story to tell please contact Martell at The Islander, 472-5185, to arrange an interview.

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Taking it to the street

Sanibel is considered far and wide as a great place to vacation. But what about Island residents — where do they go when they want to take a vacation?



Barney Goldman: "I hope to head to the Bahamas in July. Yes, it is similar in some ways to Sanibel, but it's not here. I definitely plan on not having a telephone."



Harry Balke: "How can you take a vacation from paradise! In three years I haven't found it necessary to leave for a vacation."



Aaron Ritvo: "I'm looking forward to going back home, up to New York City."



Olga Palmer: "I don't need to take vacations because no place is better than this. I've been here 12 years — this is the spot."



Bill Patrie: "I'm looking forward to heading up to the Great Lakes area for the fall color and some cooler weather. It's a good place to do some hiking."

County approves

4-cent gas tax from page 1

and councilman, strongly supported the tax as the only way to fund road maintenance projects without increasing property taxes.

"I can't justify soaking property owners when we have the ability to make the tourists pay their fair share," Gross said.

The commission has pledged that the county's share of the fund will be used only to resurface and repair roads in unincorporated residential areas. Public hearing will be held if the monies are used for any other purpose.

Need a carseat?

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The Children's Center of the Islands, in appreciation of the community support shown through the years, is offering its cars seats to the public for loan. A deposit of \$25 will be refunded when the carseat is returned.

For more information call Debbie Friedlund, 472-2351. The staff asks that no inquiries be made at the school.

Republican candidates will meet area residents

Sanibel and Captiva Republicans are invited to meet several local political candidates from 4 to 6 p.m. this Thursday, June 28, at the home of Donna Kreager, 565 East Gulf Drive on Sanibel.

Candidates who will be on hand and the offices they are seeking are: Porter Gots, Lee County Commission District 1; Charles Green Jr., clerk of the court; Paul Smith, Lee County Commission District 3; and Kenneth Wilkinson, county property appraiser.

The session is sponsored by the Lee County Republican Executive Committee of Sanibel. For more information call Donna Kreager, 472-5519.



COMMENTARY

COTI chairman answers questions raised about organization's purpose and policy

To the Editor:
The Islander

In one of your recent issues George Campbell raised a few questions regarding the Committee of the Islands of which I am currently chairman of the board. In the interest of clarity I would appreciate your publishing this response.

1. Any COTI member in good standing may attend board meetings.

2. Presentations to the board require prior approval.

3. COTI's board fully supports the purposes set forth in its bylaws.

4. The brochure *What is COTI?* was published some years ago as a promotional piece. It was intended to set forth in layman's terms what COTI is all about. It also included some editorializing describing areas of interest at that time. While it does all

of these things quite well, it is not an official document and does not lend itself to dissection for the purposes of defining COTI policy.

5. At its May meeting the COTI board voted unanimously to trust the process set up in the Comprehensive Land Use Plan to arrive at a fair decision on the Spoonbill issue.

6. Mr. Campbell's opinion notwithstanding, I am of the opinion that

the current duly elected directors and officers of COTI are hard-working, dedicated people with only the best interest of the Islands in mind in their selection of projects and their pursuit of them.

Sincerely,
Fred Medzalle
Chairman of the Board
Committee of the Islands

SCCF directors thank state senator for environmental legislation efforts

A copy of the following letter to state Sen. Frank Mann from the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation was given to The Islander for publication.

Dear Senator Mann:
The 1984 legislative session has been a good one for passage of important environmental legislation. We have followed the course of several landmark bills and have been aware of your influence in committees and on the floor of the Senate.

This letter is written to tell you that the undersigned members of the SCCF board of directors appreciate your efforts. We look forward to many more

years of progress in securing a protected, safe and beautiful environment for now — and for the future.
Thank you for your dedicated service.

Sincerely,
Malcolm Beattie
K.C. Emerson
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Dorothy Robb
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Barbara Toomey
Bill Webb

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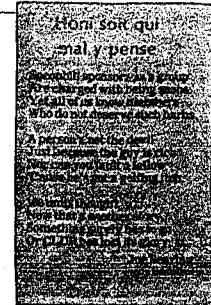
To the Editor

The Islander

I would like to personally thank you for the coverage you have given ABWA, specifically, the educational coverage.

We feel certain that the information you have rendered to the public has made them more aware of our organization, and consequently they have become more supportive and interested in the work we do. My chairmanship is coming to an end and you have made my job easier. Thank you all very much.

Karen Bell
Education chairman
Sanibel-Captiva ABWA



Howe responds to architect's remarks about the 'Island metal roof fad'

To the Editor

The Islander

Congratulations to Captiva architect Dan Burner for his June 19 brave defense of the "Island" metal roof fad now pervading our otherwise serene barrier islands.

The concern about those roofs expressed in my June 5 letter, however, was primarily for their potential hazard in a violent wind storm. That concern was triggered by a widely-circulated Florida Trend article about

the "flying gullotine" nature of metal roofs in the Latin Keys during the record-setting 1933 hurricane.

It seemed worthwhile to bring that hazard to the attention of our local public officials for any action they deemed appropriate.

It was not my purpose to present that message in that role of an "expert" in the behavior of building materials. (Although a good chunk of my four score minus four years was spent coping with matters relating to

the construction of various kinds of structures.)

Because of my considerable experience in dealing with architects over the years, I appreciate their innate fondness for pure aesthetics and would never recommend that it be unduly inhibited by uninformed governmental regulations. (Although I do not feel compelled to share their tastes in the selection of styles of buildings.)

In the final analysis, I believe that

the matter of "taste" is best handled by the Latin truism: "de gustibus non est disputandum."

Incidentally, it was gratifying to note that this metal roof fad has produced the constructive placing of an advertisement for TIN ROOF TEES in our local press. They are attributed to designs by six renowned members of the "arty set."

Cordially,
Paul Howe
Sanibel

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MUNICIPAL RECORDS

Council waives road requirement for development in Sanibel Gardens

The City Council agreed last week that \$20,000 was an "exorbitant amount" for one property owner to pay for bringing to city standards a street that would also be used by three other homeowners.

The requirement, however, was a condition of approval for Wyman Atkins Jr.'s development permit to relocate an existing house to his lot in Sanibel Gardens subdivision. And waiving that requirement would fly in the face of an earlier council decision.

On March 14 the council voted 4-1 that any development exempted from the current moratorium in wetlands areas must comply with development standards, including roads and drainage standards contained in the pending Wetlands Conservation District ordinance. Mayor Fred Vallin cast the dissenting vote.

The proposed ordinance is designed to control development in the freshwater management area of the island. It will come up for a final council vote July 24.

Vallin argued that it is neither reasonable nor fair to apply new rules before they are law. He pointed out that three other requests for single-family development permits on lots

exempt from the moratorium were to be heard by the Planning Commission at its June 23 meeting.

These applicants most likely also will be required to bring roads and drainage up to city standards, he said, and the council will face the same dilemma.

Earlier in Tuesday's meeting the council passed a resolution exempting from the wetlands moratorium a 3.5-acre parcel just north of the Tahiti Shores subdivision. The parcel is owned by Peter Pappas. The Planning Department recommended that the development permit for a single-family home on the site be subject to the proposed wetlands standards.

Councilman Louise Johnson cited a second decision that would be violated if Atkins were released from the obligation to improve the road in front of his property.

"It goes back to March of '83," she said, "when we had council consensus that all-weather access roads would be required (in order) to develop in wetlands areas."

But Johnson acknowledged that \$20,000 was an exorbitant amount for one person to pay for an improvement for the benefit of others.

There are three existing homes on the stretch of Sanibel Boulevard between Tarpon Bay Road and Atkins' homestead.

Atkins' wife, Anne, questioned whether the city could enforce such a condition.

City Attorney David La Croix said the Planning Commission has the authority to require contributions to help pay for improved public facilities.

Atkins' lot is among those exempted from the moratorium because they are in an area designated as having passable roads and correctable drainage problems.

Vallin insisted that applicants "already in the mill" should not have to comply with new standards that are not yet adopted.

Councilmen Bill Hagerup and Francis Bailey, who three months ago voted in favor of compliance with the proposed new wetlands development standards, said they had no idea then of the ramifications of requiring property owners to build roads.

"It's entirely unfair to put that kind of thing on one person," Hagerup said last week.

But Johnson acknowledged that \$20,000 was an exorbitant amount for one person to pay for an improvement "such a financial strain on someone in

Under previous conditions Wyman Atkins Jr. would have had to pay \$20,000 to improve the street on which he wants to put his house.

the middle of the process."

Atkins said he is willing to comply with all the wetlands conservation ordinance standards except the road. "To do that would place such a financial burden on me I would have to give up my plans for the home," he said.

But Bailey suggested that Atkins be assessed a smaller amount, possibly \$1,000, to be placed in escrow to help pay for road improvements in the future.

But Vallin said such a contribution might turn the argument around. "Maybe we don't want the roads improved so as not to encourage development," he pointed out.

Hagerup's motion to delete the road improvement condition from Atkins' development permit passed 3-1 with Johnson dissenting.

City approves interlocal agreement with county to ensure review of evacuation routes and times

The Lee County Disaster Preparedness Agency has agreed to review twice a year a map showing primary evacuation routes and public shelters for Island residents to use when a hurricane strikes the island.

Under terms of an interlocal agreement with Lee County that joined council approval last Tuesday, the agency also will update on Jan. 1 and June 1 every year the projected evacuation time from the island to public shelters. Those projections will take into account any new development that has occurred along evacuation routes such as Summerlin Road.

"This is the first time the county has taken any responsibility for analyzing evacuation time," Planning Director Bob Duane pointed out.

Sanibel in turn will furnish the county a complete copy of the city's emergency management plan and will submit any proposed changes for review and recommendation by the county before those changes are adopted or implemented.

The county will update and maintain its hurricane evacuation plan according to formulas and methodologies used in the 1981-82 Southwest Florida Regional Hurricane Evacuation Plan.

Under the agreement twice a year the county will evaluate hurricane evacuation routes from the Islands in light of new development along main corridors.

"We are in a better position with the county than ever before," Councilman Bill Hagerup said.

But Councilman Louise Johnson would have liked language in the document putting a "greater responsibility on the county to be aware of the impact of development on hurricane evacuation." This emphasis was included in the original ordinance, she said.

Duane explained that Sanibel had asked the county to evaluate the impact of all small projects, but he said county officials considered the "collective impact" would be sufficient.

Periwinkle Way bike path, drainage improvements begin next week; completion set for late October

The contract to construct storm drainage and bike path improvements on Periwinkle Way has been awarded to the low bidder, Macasphalt, Inc.

The City Council approved the \$204,050 bid by a 4-0 vote last week with Councilman Mike Klein absent.

The project designed to alleviate flooding on the island's main thoroughfare between Photo Sanibel and Three Crafty Ladies and from the Harbor House Restaurant to R-B Liquors will get underway the first week in July, Public Works Director Gary Price told the council.

Completion of the project is expected by the end of October, Price said.

Drainage improvements in three

other areas (Community Association/F & B Oyster Co. Tahiti Gardens shopping center and the Sanibel Community Church) will be performed by city forces, he said.

Only five of the 40 businesses that will be affected by the construction were represented at a meeting Price called earlier this month to explain the city's plans to mitigate the impact caused by disruption of traffic during the project. The improvements include widening Periwinkle Way.

But all five of those businesses agreed the results would be worth the inconvenience, Price said. "I can only assume the rest of the property owners think we're doing something right," he said.



Scenes like this one will become rare on Periwinkle Way after the drainage improvement project is completed. The project includes widening portions of the island's main thoroughfare.

Brazilian pepper can stay from page 6A

Island of peppers and it might be better to give up the fight, Councilman Louise Johnson disagreed and said, "We can't give up the effort." Kessler's long term offer to remove peppers is of some benefit to the city, she added.

The Planning Department had recommended denial of Kessler's request to keep the tree, but the Planning Commission voted 6-0 to recommend council approval.

Though the commission's action

might appear to be "fracturing the rules," it was not done casually, Commission Chairman Larry Simon assured the council. "All the commissioners went out to look at the tree and found it a unique specimen and well cared for," he said.

Councilman Bill Hagerup's motion to exempt the Kessler's tree from the removal requirement passed by a 4-0 vote with Councilman Mike Klein absent.

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**Promotions, appointments
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- Joanna Jamerson has been promoted to rental manager. Jamerson will manage the rental department for the Gulf Points office in Fort Myers.
- Susan Ritchie has joined the firm as assistant rental manager in the Sanibel office. Ritchie will be responsible for annual rentals on Sanibel and Captiva as well as office and commercial property management.
- Bonnie Nardi has been promoted to accounting and systems manager.
- And Carol Pemberton has been promoted to assistant accounting manager.



Carol Pemberton



Bonnie Nardi



Joanna Jamerson



Susan Ritchie

**Sanibel Realty
announcements made**

Misty Rowan has been promoted to office manager and David Good to head of maintenance and housekeeping at Sanibel Realty.

Judy Michie has passed her Florida real estate exam. Nancy Thompson is the firm's new rental manager. Janet Klach has left the firm to finish her education at Edison Community College.

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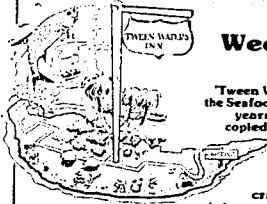
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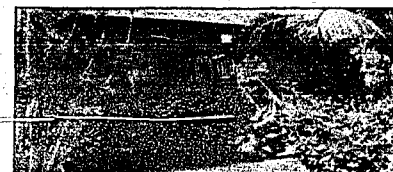
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POLICE BEAT

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

Police warned a Skiff Place woman about the city's noise ordinance shortly after noon Sunday, June 17, after a neighbor complained about loud music coming from the woman's home.

A Sanibel man reported an alligator was near the elevator at Atrium condominiums around 4 p.m. Sunday, June 17. A police officer coaxed the alligator into a nearby pond.

A Miami man was arrested on charges of grand theft after he took a case of wine from the Sundial around 2 a.m. Monday, June 18. Patrick

Purington Howanitz of 11350 SW 60th Terrace allegedly took a case of J. Pedroncelli Sonoma white wine that was valued at \$120.

Police received several complaints about a large alligator near the bike path bridge on Sanibel-Captiva Road around 11 a.m. Monday, June 18. Three workers from the J.N. "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge went to the site and reported the alligator had returned to the water.

Thirteen pieces of patio furniture were thrown into the swimming pool at White Pelican condominiums around 10 p.m. Monday, June 18. A resident of the complex called police after she heard a commotion around the pool area. Police found no one suspicious in

the area.

A Fort Myers woman reported approximately \$200 in coins had been stolen from a vending machine at the Ramada Inn early Tuesday morning, June 19. An undetermined amount of cash was reported missing from a vending machine at the Sundial the same morning.

Towels, blankets, pillows and three framed pictures were reported missing from a room at the Kona Kai motel Tuesday morning, June 19. The missing items were valued at \$200.

The night security guard at Tortuga Beach Club reported someone had vandalized the electrical junction box at the entrance to the complex

Tuesday night, June 19. The vandalism caused the lights around the entrance driveway to go out. The cover was taken off the box and several wires disconnected.

A complainant reported several youths were using foul language on the public fishing pier at the Lighthouse Wednesday night, June 20. Police responded, but no one on the pier would point out the guilty parties.

Police warned a Shell Basket Lane man about the city's law prohibiting fireworks after the man admitted he had been shooting fireworks as part of his birthday celebration late Wednesday night, June 20. Neighbors had complained about the noise.

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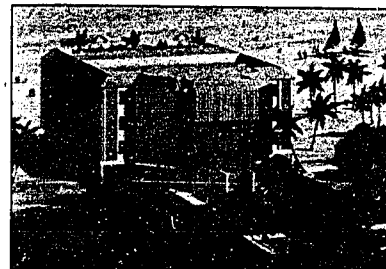
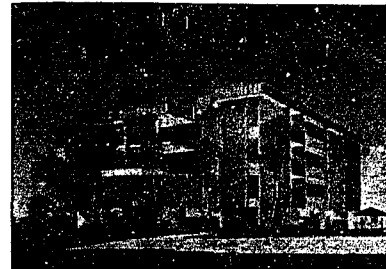
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ISLAND SPORTS

Mucky Duck takes first place in men's softball league

The West Wind men were thrown to the lions last week when they played two of the hungry up-and-coming men's softball teams in back-to-back games.

On Tuesday Island Exxon was at West Wind's jugular until the sixth inning, when West Wind scored five runs and came from behind for an 8-6 win.

But Thursday West Wind's luck ran out, and the previously undefeated team fell to Naumann, 11-5.

Naumann and Island Exxon then faced off on Sunday, and Naumann won, 8-6. Mucky Duck, however, edged into first place in the men's division with two victories last week.

The West Wind-Naumann game resembled many previous West Wind games in the early innings. Oscar Gavin walloped a homerun in the first inning

and West Wind was off to a 3-0 start.

But Naumann came on to tie the game 3-3. West Wind went up 5-3. Then Naumann scored two to tie the game in the fourth.

After the fourth it was Naumann's game. Jamie Phillips arrived in the fourth inning after driving across the state from the Florida Police Olympics. Without a break he headed straight to the ball park and picked up two hits in the remaining three innings.

Another morale booster for Naumann was Francis Bailey, who entered in the sixth inning as a pinch hitter and immediately lined a single over third base.

Jerry Muench was the winning pitcher for Naumann. West Wind did not score after the fourth inning.

in games last Tuesday the Dunes 86ers beat Mariner, 11-5; Mucky Duck edged Peppers, 7-4; and West Wind beat Island Exxon, 8-6. In other games Thursday last week Mucky Duck beat South Seas; and the Dunes 86ers defeated Island Medical, 7-4.

On Sunday Naumann beat Island Exxon, 8-6. The score for Island Medical versus Peppers was not available at press time.

Standings as of Monday, June 25 are:

- Mucky Duck, 4-0-1
- Naumann, 5-1
- West Wind, 4-1
- Dunes 86ers, 3-1-1
- Mariner, 2-3
- Island Medical Center, 2-3

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ISLAND SPORTS

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One of four teams drops out of women's softball league

One team has been forced to drop out of the four-team women's softball league because of a lack of enough players.

While that is not good news for the league, it does mean every team will pick up some victories — through forfeit.

In the first week of play last week Normandy Lounge picked up the forfeit win. Then the Players

came on to beat the Timbers, 6-5. That brought some revenge back to Players, who lost the Old Sports for Youth Sports tournament to Timbers in the tournament that started the season for the women.

On Sunday the Timbers evened their record, defeating Normandy Lounge, 11-1. Players picked up the forfeit, making them the only undefeated team so far.

This Sunday Timbers will pick up the forfeit, and Normandy Lounge and Players will battle it out.

Standings as of Monday, June 25 are:

- Players, 2-0
- Timbers, 1-1
- Normandy Lounge, 1-1

Mucky Duck takes first place in men's league continued

- Island Exxon, 1-4
- Peppers, 1-4
- South Seas, 0-5

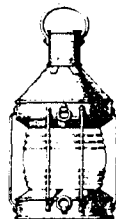
This week's schedule includes:

Tuesday, June 26 — 6:30 p.m., Mariner vs. Island Exxon; 7:45 p.m., Naumann vs. Peppers; 9 p.m., South Seas vs. Dunes 86ers.

Thursday, June 28 — 6:30 p.m., Mucky Duck vs.

West Wind; 7:45 p.m., Island Medical Center vs. Island Exxon; 9 p.m., South Seas vs. Peppers.

Sunday, July 1 — 2 p.m., Dunes 86ers vs. West Wind; 3 p.m., Mariner vs. Mucky Duck.



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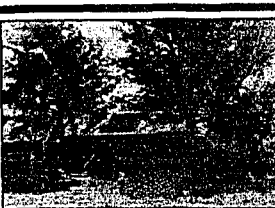
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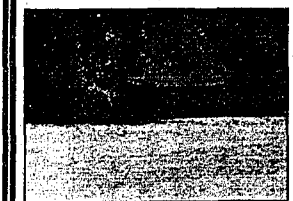
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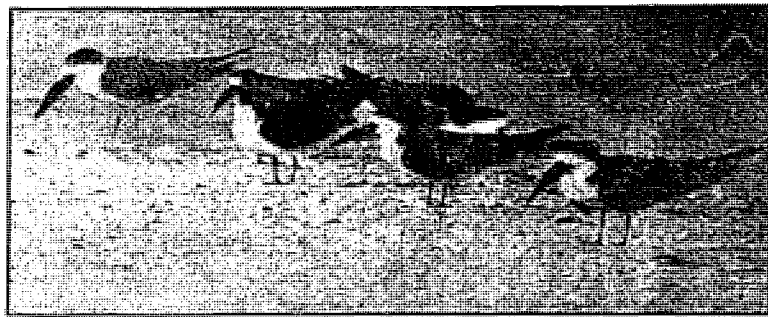


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A group of skimmers at water's edge

The Causeway skimmers

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An alert skimmer

A colony of black skimmers recently invaded one of the Causeway islands as if it were "D-Day." The birds' purpose has a more peaceful theme than that of the 1944 event, however — the marine birds have come to mate and lay eggs.

But along with the invasion of birds has come another invasion — one of people who want to see the marvel first hand.

While visiting the nesting area is appropriate, people should keep their distance. The incubation of the eggs and later the care of the young, which cannot fly for five to six weeks after they are hatched, is a delicate operation.

To provide some safety for the nesting birds, the J.N. "Ding" Darling National Wildlife refuge has cordoned off the area with bright orange ribbon. But sometimes visitors standing at the ribbon might be too close to the birds.

"The key is to watch the birds — if they extend their necks and turn to face you, then you know you are too close," says refuge staff member Kristie Seaman.

Should people get too close and the adult birds face their nests, repercussions could prove fatal. The adults are sitting on the eggs in order to provide shade. If they eggs are left under the intense sun for very long, they will cook and die.

Also, if the eggs are unattended, then predators like gulls, that seem to have grown unafraid of people, could swoop down and snatch the eggs.

In an exposed area like the Causeway, the presence of people can prove a hazard. But the main threats to skimmer nesting are generally storms with extreme high tides or wind.

And for some reason, skimmers like to nest in disturbed areas, such as a spoil island, says Seaman. Skimmers have even been known to nest on gravel rooftops, she says, and this Sanibel population of birds seems to have a developed a tolerance to passing cars.

Two years ago a population of skimmers also nested on the Causeway. Last year a group nested in the Dunes.

"This is one of the few types of birds that will choose a new site every year," Seaman says. "But they usually come back to the same vicinity."

Most of the mating seems to have been completed, with skimmers now sitting on fertile eggs. Some mating will continue, however, and some eggs might be hatched through August. The first hatchlings could occur close to July 4, and the crowded holiday beaches could make the birds — and those who care about them — a bit nervous.

Story by Scott Martell Photos by Mark Johnson



The bright orange rope draws many photographers and other curious birdwatchers to the nesting site



Skimmers in flight



A female skimmer protecting her nest

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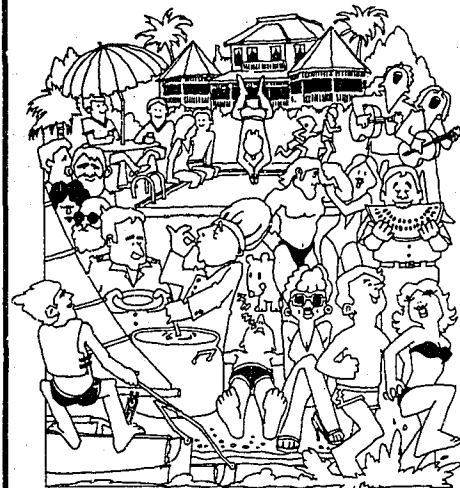
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Shuttle watchers should mark July 14 on their calendars as the launch date for the 41-D Mission of the Space Shuttle Challenger. For a complete launch schedule and explanation of restrictions contact Mark Hess, NASA News, Kennedy Space Center (305) 867-2468.

The Historical Museum of Southern Florida is offering canoeists the opportunity to visit the palatial bayfront Villa Vizcaya for an evening of "Sound and Light." Canoeists will have the thrill of arriving the same way the villa's earliest guests arrived — by water.

The "Sound and Light" evening presentation tells the story of Vizcaya in the same way the story of the Egyptian Pyramids is told.

For registration information and complete schedule of the museum's special tours and activities contact Historical Museum of Southern Florida, 101 W. Flagler St., Miami 33130; (305) 654-4681.

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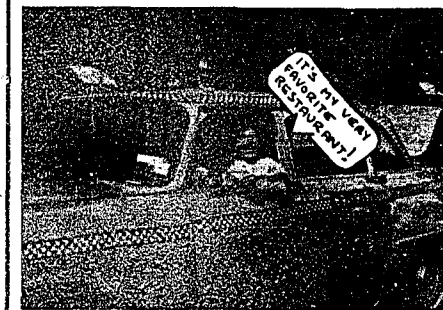
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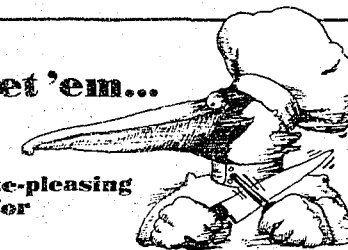
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Researchers hope seaweed will become alternative energy source

Seaweed has long been a popular food in the Far East. In fact, the orientals view seaweed almost as Americans view the potato. And while most Americans do not eat seaweed in its most obvious form, it is a part of our diet.

The carageenan that is found in certain seaweeds, including the Florida seaweed *Eucheuma* *loeflorae*, is widely used as a thickening and stabilizing agent in foods, pharmaceuticals and cosmetics. Seaweed has been used for medicinal purposes, too, and as fodder and fertilizer.

Now researchers have discovered that this mainstay of the oriental diet is more than a food — it can be converted into methane, an energy alternative for natural gas. According to word from the New York Sea Grant Institute, several energy-

related organizations in New York believe that converting plant materials to methane is worth investigating.

Those organizations — the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority, the Gas Research Institute and the New York State Gas Group — are sponsoring a project designed to test this novel energy concept.

After spending several years in the lab learning which species of seaweed would grow best in New York waters and under what conditions, the researchers recently launched a seaweed farm off Long Island's north shore. They now plan to move from the laboratory tank culture and small scale raft studies to testing an operative rope culture seaweed farm in deeper waters.

The newly planted crop will be monitored for growth and yield until the expected harvest this summer. The seaweed farm — a raft with ropes on which the seaweed grows — will also be tested for engineering performance and response to local water conditions.

While researchers readily admit that the day is still far off when seaweed can be commercially turned into energy, they feel that studies such as this one move them one step closer to realizing that goal.

For information about current research projects in which the Florida Sea Grant College Program is involved, contact the Sea Grant Extension Program, GO22, McCarty Hall, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL 32611.

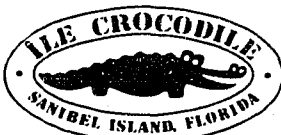
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What is FISH? It is a non-professional organization of anonymous volunteers on Sanibel who show by their actions that they care about their neighbors and the community. Donations are accepted. Call 472-0404 or write FISH, P.O. Box 854, Sanibel 33957.

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The City of Sanibel proposes to regulate the use of land within the area shown in the map of this advertisement.

The proposed Ordinance will generally amend the Comprehensive Land Use Plan, Part 4.3: Short Form Permit, Section 4.3.1: Development for Which Applicable, so as to make development permits—short form available for duplex development meeting the density standards of Section 3.3.1; providing for conflict and severance; and providing an effective date.

The proposed ordinance is on file at Sanibel City Hall where such proposed ordinance may be inspected by the public.

A Public Hearing on the proposed ordinance will be held on July 3, 1984 at 5:04 P.M., at Sanibel City Hall, in the Council Chambers (Mac Kentie Hall), 800 Dunlap road, Sanibel, Florida. All interested persons are invited to attend the hearing.

If a person decides to appeal any decision of the body with respect to any matter considered at such meeting or hearing, he will need a record of the proceedings, and for such purposes he may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

Bernard J. Murphy, Jr.
City Manager

Comedian draws laughs from Captiva audience in two sold-out shows

By Mark Johnson

Live, Love, Laugh; the message dangles from the gold chain around the neck of comedian G. David Howard. It fits his comedy style and philosophy.

Howard presented a taste of this philosophical and comedic concept to two sold-out shows last Sunday evening at the Crow's Nest at Tween Waters Inn on Captiva.

With comic stories and one-liners ranging in theme from audience members' marital relations and personal appearance to comments on drugs and the presidency, Howard kept his audience laughing.

"It's fun to me," Howard said during a break between shows. "If this ever becomes work I might quit."

Howard claims he has always been able to make people laugh, adding as a schoolboy he could say things to teachers that mean an immediate trip to the principal's office for anyone else.

The 45-year-old midwesterner continued this trait

into the business world, working as a banker, a salesman and finally owning his own insurance business in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Ten years ago Howard decided he had had enough of the business world and went into professional comedy. He started out working for free in clubs around Cincinnati, doing stand up comedy during band breaks. He soon gathered a local following.

Now the owner of a comedy club in Clearwater, Fla., Howard looks back with smile. He plays five nights a week at his club and does roughly 30 one-night shows per year in clubs throughout Florida.

He writes all his own material and has one comedy album to his credit and has signed a deal with Epic Records for another two-album set. But he claims he would rather work in front of an audience than record.

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G. David Howard

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Sheinwold on bridge

By Alfred Shelwood

The typical bridge player is unselfish. If his partner's card is good enough to win, our hero doesn't steal the trick by playing an even higher card. This restraint is unselfish, but not always very clever.

South played dummy's low heart at the first trick, and East played low to give West the pleasure of winning the trick. West then led another heart for lack of anything better.

Declarer took the ace of hearts, drew trumps and led three rounds of clubs. East took the third club and switched to diamonds — but it was too late.

South played low, and West won with the 10 of diamonds but then had no safe exit: if West led another diamond, South would get a free finesse, and if West led anything else, dummy would ruff while South discarded the queen of diamonds.

East missed his chance. He should win the first trick with the king of hearts in order to return a diamond up to dummy's weakness. West must eventually get two diamond tricks, and South is down one.

WEEKLY QUESTION

You hold: ♠8♥K 862♠784♦QJ 10

♠ Partner bids one heart, you raise to two hearts, and he then bids three

diamonds. The opponents pass. What do you say?

ANSWER
Bid three hearts. Partner's rebid asks you to jump to four hearts if you have help for the new suit (diamonds) or top values for your raise. Since you have neither, you can afford to bid only three hearts. If partner's rebid were three clubs you would bid four hearts instead of only three.

South dealer
Both sides vulnerable

NORTH
♠ J 7 5 3
♥ A 5
♦ 9 5 2
♣ K 5 3

EAST
♠ 8 6
♥ K 8 6 2
♦ 7 6 4
♣ Q J 10 8

SOUTH
♠ A K Q 10 2
♥ 9 3
♦ A Q 8
♣ A 7 4

South West North East
1 ♠ Pass 2 ♠ Pass
4 ♦ All Pass

Opening lead — ♠ Q



ENTERTAINMENT THIS WEEK

Chadwick's — At the entrance to South Seas Plantation on Captiva. Hear Southbound through July 16 in the lounge weekdays (except Tuesday) and Sunday from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m.; Friday and Saturday from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Tuesdays hear the Southwest Florida Steel Drum Band from 6:30 to 10:30 p.m.

Crow's Nest — Through July 1 hear The Sai and Mark trio from St. Petersburg from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Tuesday through Sunday. Cover charge \$1. Dancing.

Gibby's — Next to Hunter's Market on Periwinkle Way. Hear Alan James in the lounge from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Tuesday through Saturday.

Morgan's Lounge — At the Sundial, Middle Gulf Drive, Sanibel. Through June hear Triple Play do a variety of rock 'n' roll and Top 40 dance tunes from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Tuesday through Sunday.

Peppers — In the Tablitan Garden shopping center on Periwinkle Way, Sanibel. This week hear the Doc Travis Band (formerly Hummingbird) play rock 'n' roll and dance music from 9:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. Tuesday through Sunday. No cover.

Thistle Lodge — At Casa Ybel Resort, Casa Ybel Road, Sanibel. Through June hear Bob and Ron Inkenbrandt play a variety of original and top 40 dance tunes from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Every Sunday is all night happy hour with jazz by Bill Gilb 'n' All That Jazz. Closed Monday.

Island Cinema — Through Thursday this week see Silkwood, Meryl Streep's poignant portrayal of an American worker. Rated R. One show at 8 p.m. daily. Starting Friday see Bounty, the retelling of the 1789 mutiny of the crew of the Bounty against Capt. William Bligh. Rated PG. One show at 8 p.m. daily.

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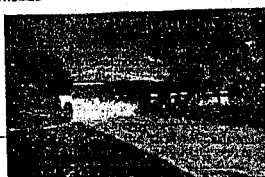
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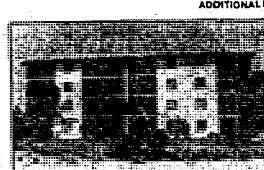


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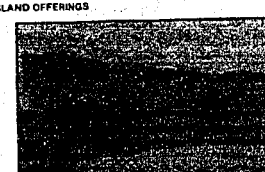


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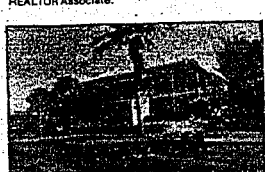
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Section B



"Mr. Nasty,"
a Sanibel
roof rat

The RAT patrol

Sanibel suffers a roof rat population explosion

By George Campbell

Illustrated by Ann Winterbotham

A lot of people around Sanibel have experienced a not-so-joyful episode in the past few weeks — a tremendous population explosion of roof rats, *Rattus rattus*.

This species came to much of the western world from the tropics of Southeast Asia hundreds of years ago, when the early Portuguese, Spanish and British traders and explorers were active. The job was completed when modern shipping of this and the last century distributed the creatures throughout all the rest of the warmer regions of the world.

This species is not to be confused with the Norway rat, *Rattus norvegicus*, which crossed the Asian steppes with Genghis Khan and other Asian conquerors who swept across Western Asia into Europe. Later it, too, was transported to the New World by shipping.

The Norway rat is the common

sewer rat — the one that lives underground in the sewers of our decaying northern cities. It is definitely a more terrestrial animal. It came from the steppes of Asia originally and is not to be confused with the big populations of pests that we have here.

Only a few Norway rats have been found on Sanibel, and they probably came down with shipments of furniture in moving vans, etc. The roof rat, *Rattus rattus*, was initially an arboreal species of Southeast Asia that lived in trees and above the ground in other vegetation. It adapted well to human habitats, and even in its native land is still found in the rooms of thatched huts, thickets of palms and similar places.

I am not sure why Sanibel experiences periodic population explosions of this species, but right now we are "enjoying" an immense surfeit of roof rats all over the Island, both in settled areas and in sabal palm

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forests.

Some people don't like to admit that the rustling in their trees at night is caused by a verminous, undesirable, pestiferous rat. Sometimes the raccoon takes the blame; other times squirrels take the rap. Squirrels, however, could hardly be responsible because they are very rare on Sanibel — and besides that, they are diurnal.

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Our roof rats belong to a family that for a long time was called Muridae. Some taxonomists now assign these species to our own native rodent family, Cricetidae. I prefer to keep them separate.

In addition to those mentioned above, this Old World family includes the house mouse, *Mus musculus*.

There are several other murid rat species in Asia that have not left that continent as yet except to go to Hawaii, where murids are a big problem in the cane fields.

In India the Bandicoot species eats a quarter of that country's farm produce.

In the Philippines, for instance, it lives in rice paddies and provides meat for the tables of Filipinos. A Filipino rice farmer can go out into his rice paddy and capture rats, thus performing two services: protecting his grain and providing meat for the stewpot.

Human consumption of murid rats is not at all uncommon in many parts of the world. Those of us who have journeyed to the Far East and eaten in even some of the better restaurants have, I am sure, consumed rat meat.

A lot of people have called me in the last few weeks panic-stricken because they have found holes in their screened porches or eave vents. Or they have heard scampering in the attic and, unable to find any obvious entrances for rodents, have concluded that rats are climbing plings and entering hollow walls leading to attics through too-large structural holes.

There are a number of ways to combat this infestation and keep roof rats outside the house, although you

probably will never be able to get rid of them from your garden and trees. One negative factor that contributes to the surfeit of rats on Sanibel is the panicky killing of "pygmy rattlesnakes" that goes on here every summer.

Our southern black racer, Coluber constrictor priapus, eats a lot of rodents and if left alone would help keep the rodent population in check. But this valuable snake is systematically killed off by ignorant people who believe baby black racers, which are absolutely harmless, are pygmy rattlesnakes — venomous snakes that do not even exist on Sanibel.

It happens that black racers, which are all black on top as adults, are mottled as tubies. People with vivid imaginations and fear in their souls incorrectly assume they are pygmy rattlers.

I repeat: Pygmy rattlesnakes do not live on Sanibel. But as a result of the misconception that they do, many hundreds of small black racers are murdered each summer when they hatch as tiny, toothless, pearl-thin creatures that manage to get mixed up in other snakes, *Agkistrodon*, *Agkistrodon*, often "offed" in ignorance.

Some baby black racers escape terrified, mistaken residents only to be smashed by cars on the highway. Every day you will see dead, squashed black racers on our roads. Last week I found another useful rodent predator, the federally protected indigo snake, smashed dead on the road.

And so our human practices of senseless fear of valuable snakes have resulted, in large part, in the rodent population explosion we are experiencing right now.

There other snake species on the Island that eat rats: the yellow rat snake, *Eliaphe otsoleta quadrivittata*, and the corn snake or red rat snake, *Eliaphe guttata*.

The eastern diamondback rattlesnake, unlike the pygmy rattler, does occur here. It, too, feeds upon rodents. But whenever these fearsome creatures are encountered they are invariably killed. (Unless I happen to be the person who finds them; I release them into wild places on Sanibel, much to the consternation of some of my fellow citizens.)

The best you can do to protect your premises against rat invasion is some form of structural alteration. You might try one of the following suggestions:

(1) SCREENING — You can cover your screened porches with two added layers of mesh hardware cloth. Use 1/2-inch hardware cloth on the inside of the screen; 1/4-inch on the outside. Some people add only one layer of 1/4-inch cloth on the outside of the screen.

This galvanized steel mesh will last several years in our salty climate and will absolutely prevent against the entrance of rats. Don't think metallic rather than fiberglass plastic insect screen will do the trick. Our rats will

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Sanibel's endemic,
hairless
rice rat

REFUGE REPORT

By Kristie Seaman
Outdoor recreation planner
J.N. "Ding" Darling Refuge
Thousands of people in the western hemisphere have helped biologists determine flyways used by waterfowl through the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service bird banding and recovery program.

Westall banded a fledgling osprey in its nest here on Sanibel on April 19, 1982, 180 miles from its birth place and almost two years later, the osprey was found dead near Biscayne Bay. Ospreys from this area are thought to be nonmigratory, but this osprey has raised new questions.

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Birds pay no attention to political boundaries. They need places to feed and rest safely wherever they go. Bird conservation is an international effort that requires the cooperation of people from all nations. Bird banding can provide important information about birds' needs. The rest is up to us.

Bird banding can be equated to putting a message in a bottle and sending it to sea. The mystery of its travels and anticipation of a reply captures the imagination of many people.
Researchers at the bird banding laboratory speculate that one in 10 bands is eventually recovered, though the return rate seems to be declining in recent years.

Each returned band offers new pieces of an endless puzzle and new insight into bird migration and habits. More than 30 million banding records are now on file at the banding laboratory.
Modern banding began in 1880 with the efforts of a Danish school teacher, Hans Christian Mortensen. He began putting metal bands on the legs of pintail, teal, storks, hawks and starlings in an effort to understand the birds' movements. The bands had Mortensen's name and address inscribed on them so the finder knew where and when the bird was banded and was able to notify the bander of the recovery.

This week's film examines mussels and other molluscs

The summer schedule for the J.N. "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge is in effect through Oct. 31, 1984.
Summer operating hours for the national wildlife refuge facilities and programs on Sanibel will include:
• Self-guiding tour along the five-mile Wildlife Drive, walking trails at the Bailey Tract, and self-guiding canoe trails (canoe rentals available at Tarpon Bay Marina and Tween Waters Marina) every day of the week from sunrise to sunset.
• Visitors Center wildlife exhibits open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday.
• An orientation slide show at the Visitors Center at 10 a.m., noon and 2 p.m. Monday through Saturday.
• A special film presentation at 11 a.m. Saturday. This week's film at 11 a.m. Saturday, June 30, is "Mussel Specialist," an examination of the oyster catcher's adaptations for feeding on mussels and other molluscs.

The program was successful and widely copied. In the United States bird banders felt they could increase their efficiency if they worked together and exchanged information. The Bird Banding Association was formed in 1909.
Ten years later the attention of the world turned to war, and bird banding slowed. Biologists urged the government to permit the project to fade.

This important study of birds would fall were it not for the many people who report bands. Dead birds along our highways, washed ashore or caught in lines and nets might be banded. Hunters should check game birds for bands.
When you find a band, straighten it out and tape it securely to a heavy piece of paper. With the band, include the following information:
• Your name and address
• All numbers and letters on the band.
• The date you found the band.
• The place you found the band.
• How you found the band.
Place the band and information in an envelope marked "Hand Cancel" and send it to:

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go right through aluminum insect screen or even that black steel insect screen that seldom lasts more than a few months here because of the salt air. Hardware cloth is the answer.

(2) FLASHING — Metal flashing around pipes at the point where they enter walls, floors or roofs can be used to seal any apparent apertures large enough to admit rats.
ALUMINUM SHEETS — Some people don't like the destructiveness of their garden view or seascape that comes with the use of hardware cloth, so that solution is not satisfactory. But they don't like rats, either. I know one person who had rats coming through his screened pool enclosure. They entered near the bottom because there were no trees touching the house to provide arboreal rat highways.

This person employed anodized aluminum sheeting, 2½ feet high, around the base of the pool enclosure as a substitute for the bottom panel of screening. The sheet metal offered a slippery, climb-proof surface to the rats. Care was taken not to make bolt footholds at the corners for the rats to climb. Care was also taken to prevent the growth of vegetation that might provide access to the top of the enclosure. It worked; no rats. And it is much more attractive than hardware cloth, which does obscure the view.

CLOSE UP — Another way to keep the rats out of your house is to keep it air-conditioned and keep all the doors shut. But this, in the long run, is probably more expensive than one of the above methods because Florida Power and Light does not give electricity away these days. But in this weather there is a lot of merit to bolting up in a dark, cool, air-conditioned place. Of course you might still hear the pitter-patter of little feet in the attic and find the occasional drowned rat in your pool — and dead rats are not conducive to happy swimming.

Two species of rats on Sanibel are desirable. These native critterid forms are the *Oryzomys palustris sanibellii* and the *Sigmodon hispidus insularis*. The first is Sanibel's own endemic subspecies, the Sanibel rice rat. This rare animal has been seriously impacted by the exotic imports men-

tioned above and is not seen very frequently any more.
The other species manages to hold its own a little better. The Island cotton rat is arboreal. Many people really like them. They are not harmful, and they do not damage any human activities. If you want to know more about them I suggest you read the chapter about them in *The Nature of Things on Sanibel*. One lady I know gladly feeds cotton rats in her bird feeder.

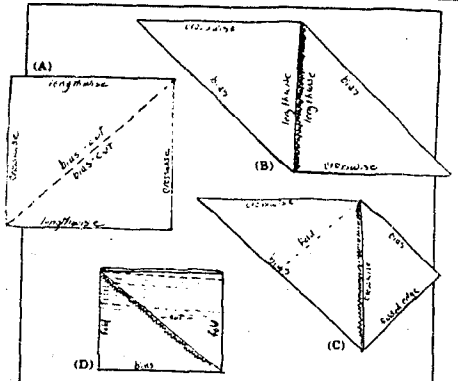
Considering the murid interlopers that have come to us from Asia (the Norway and roof rats and the house mouse), one must realize that in Asia these creatures and their allies still consume about 25 percent of all the agricultural produce mankind is able to grow. If they don't consume it, they at least damage and dirty it.
In fact, our U.S. Food and Drug Administration, recognizing the impossibility of completely eliminating rat droppings from grain products, has established a standard of allowable quantities of rat feces in flour, cornmeal, etc.

When you consider the immense damage to human activity caused by murid rodents, you are probably not ready to contemplate the fact that without these rodents our civilization might not be in its present advanced state. How can this be true? Simple.
If you believe in the advances in medicine that have taken place in the last few decades you have to recognize that many of these advances were accomplished on the backs of *Rattus norvegicus* and *Mus musculus*.
In a later article in this series I will examine some of the questions raised by this fact and will attempt to weigh whether or not the advantages we have gained from these species outweigh the immense damages caused by their intrusion into our lifestyles by their soiling of our food, by their vectoring of disease and by their overconsumption of our agricultural products.

Needlework news Use your rags and remnants to make sweaters and jackets

By Barbara Boutton
I have noticed that sweaters and jackets knitted or crocheted with fabric strips are becoming very popular. For many of us, a creative light bulb will switch on in our economical heads as we mentally begin to cut our "rags" and remnants into fabric strips.
A word of caution ... it's not as easy as it seems.
Think of all the knots used to tie the strips together! A quick sweater uses about 350 yards of fiber, which would require about six yards of fabric. That is a lot of cutting and a lot of material. The fabric must be cut on the bias so the strips will not fray and will have some stretch for ease in knitting.
But don't despair. It is possible and often very rewarding to "do it yourself." By recycling old clothes you can create some unique effects.
Using a one yard square of fabric at a time, make a bias tube. Fold the square on the diagonal and cut in half for two triangles as shown in (A).

Overlap by ¼-inch the lengthwise sides as in (B) and machine zig-zag in a close stitch. Fold each triangle piece in half as partially shown in (C). Pin only the crosswise edges ¼-inch. Pin only the crosswise edges and machine zig-zag in a close stitch. You will now have a tube with a true bias on the edges.
It is now possible to cut a continuous ½-inch strip about 60 yards long. If a yard square of fabric were used, some of you have a good eye and can carefully cut without marking. I like to use the width of a yardstick, which is usually an inch, and lightly pencil (it's good to use a soluble fabric marker) guidelines. Taper the first and last line off the fabric edge, as in (D). Wind the strip into a ball as you cut.
This cutting process takes at least an hour for a 60-yard ball. If you were making a simple sleeveless pullover, you would need five or six balls.
As I was cutting my one-yard tube, I decided to make a striped sweater and combine yarn with a stripe or two of



my hand-cut fiber. After knitting the sweater, cut the fabric strips into short lengths and tie them into the sweater as bows or fringe for a very textured look.
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ARTS ON THE ISLANDS

By Julie Niedenfuer

Island nature photographer says some people take pictures; other people make them

Almost anyone can learn to use a camera well enough to get good results most of the time. But it takes real talent to obtain consistently good pictures shooting a whole range of subjects — even very ordinary ones.

As nature photographer Al Milliken puts it, there are photographers who take pictures and there are those who make pictures.

Taking pictures means knowing the mechanics of photography and using that knowledge with the right equipment.

Making pictures, on the other hand, involves something extra. Milliken calls it "having an eye" for getting a shot others might not consider. "A good photographer," he explains, "can make a picture anywhere.

Photography is controlling light within the confines of a little black box and regulating the amount of exposure on the film. Combining that technique with an 'eye' for a good picture becomes the process for making a good photograph.

"Some photographers with the best equipment and lenses still don't get good pictures."

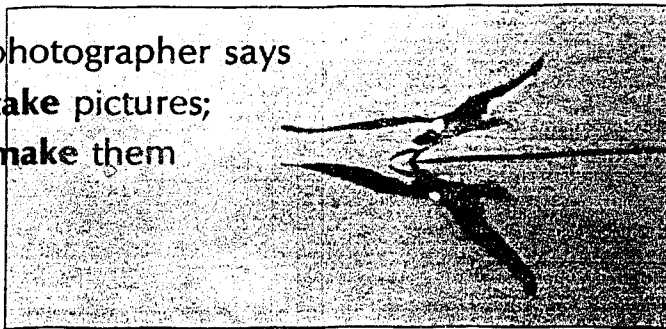
Milliken's specialty is birds. In his pictures the denizens of the Islands' treetops, skies and shorelines glide swiftly or stand with a regal air or peer timidly through the leafy green fingers of a palm tree.

But Milliken's birds are not confined to the one-dimensional plane of a photograph. They have sprung to life, and the edges of the picture are merely a window frame.

Milliken shoots with Nikon camera

"I understand the need for maintaining economic activities so people can live. So many conservationists have blinders on. My point is that it is possible to strike a balance if the world of people would just understand the world of nature."

Al Milliken



The subjects for nature photographer Al Milliken's pictures range from skimmers to egrets. Below, Milliken demonstrates that shooting with a big lens can be awkward.



bodies and an assortment of lenses including a Questar 700mm that allows him to get within a hairbreadth of a bird without the bird even knowing.

All film is first made into slides. Color prints then are taken by a special laser process. Slides are used in audio-visual presentations for island organizations such as the Audubon Society and the Chamber of Commerce. Milliken also has prepared an orientation program that is shown three times daily (four during season) at the Visitors Center at the J.N. "Ding" Darling Wildlife Refuge.

Producing nature programs for the public is the result of a natural evolution of Milliken's interests and talents.

Although a city boy born and bred (he was raised on the outskirts of Pittsburgh), Milliken grew up with a keen interest in nature. He also discovered he has a knack for photography. The talent that first went into school newspapers and yearbooks became his livelihood when Milliken worked as a photographer for the Pittsburgh Post Gazette and then as a stringer taking combat photos for the Army.

A career as an executive in the Newark, Ohio, chamber of commerce followed, and he continued utilizing his abilities with cameras preparing audio-visual programs to raise money for local campuses.

To the sight- and sound-oriented public, Milliken found his programs were "an effective way to carry my story to the community to encourage

financial support. It was evident that just standing up in front of a group of people didn't register anymore."

Meanwhile, he began devoting more time to his hobby as a nature photographer. "I had to have something that would give me some relief from the pressures of what I was doing," he says.

A friend who also happened to be a naturalist asked him to tag along on frequent jaunts through the woods to photograph wildflowers. The insects that were often unintentionally included in a picture soon became the target for Milliken's camera. It was inevitable that birds were to also become favorite subjects.

Milliken wanted to reach the public with the things he was discovering

with his camera. His first nature program, "Birds, Bugs and Blossoms," was designed, he says, "to make people more aware of the intricacies and delicacies of nature."

That desire is even stronger today. "The whole idea of 'nature' is the basis of our world," he says. "And if we're not aware of it and preserving it, we as human beings will certainly feel the results."

Milliken emphasizes, however, that he is neither a naturalist nor a crusading ecologist. "I have a love of nature — I am not a 'nature lover.'"

"I understand the need for maintaining economic activities so people can live. So many conservationists

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Al Milliken continued

have blinders on. My point is that it is possible to strike a balance if the world of people would just understand the world of nature."

Although Milliken refuses payment for his programs, he readily accepts

payment for his prints, which he sells in area art shows and galleries. He considers himself an amateur.

"I'm not making my living at it," he says with a smile. "If I can make enough to pay for film for a year, I consider myself successful."

Milliken moved to Sanibel four years ago ("to live where we enjoyed coming on vacation"), but he refuses to sit still. "I'm not the kind of person that can vegetate," he says.

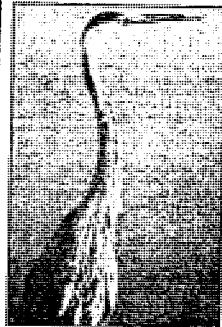
Projects in the works include more audio-visual programs, and he is preparing slides to send to national magazines for publication. He has already been accepted by one, although the pictures have not appeared in print yet.

And Milliken is always striving for better pictures. Like many artists, he says he sometimes feels his work is getting stale. "I say to myself, 'Why should I take that picture? I've already got shots like that.'"

That's when he goes out and gets a better one. Of all the Islands' birds, Milliken says, the skimmers present perhaps the most unusual problem.

"To catch them in that activity with their mandibles in the water is a real challenge.

"But that's the fun of it."



ARTS SHORTS

Cape Coral studio hosts photography show

The exhibit "A New Look at Photography with Annelies Scholtz" is on display at the Cape Coral Arts Studio through this Friday, June 28. Visitors can view the exhibit during regular hours, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Monday through Thursday, and Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. There is no admission charge.

The studio is at 4533 Coronado Parkway in Cape Coral.

Jurying takes place July 5 for work at Cape Gallery

Any fine artist or craftsman wishing to exhibit his work will have the opportunity when the Cape Coral Arts Studio opens its gallery to accept work on July 5.

Take your paintings or drawings to the studio in between 9 a.m. and noon. Jurying will take place from 3 to 4 p.m. and work will be ready to pick up

between 5 and 9 p.m. that day. Six pieces must be submitted that are consistent in one technique. In the top right hand corner of each, attach a 3x5-inch file card with your name, address, phone, title of work, number and media.

For more information call 542-7714.

Captiva Library hosts exhibit of Salvador Dali engravings

An exhibit of engravings by Salvador Dali is on display at the Captiva Library through Aug. 12. The color wood engravings that comprise the exhibit are part of a series illustrating Danie's poem "The Divine Comedy."

The exhibit can be seen during regular library hours which are 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, Thursday and Friday; 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Wednesday; and 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday.

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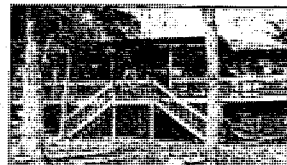
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CLUB NEWS

American businesswomen hear from tourism director

The Island chapter of the American Business Women's Association held its meeting June 14 at the Thistle Lodge.

Frank Noeera, executive director of the Lee County Tourist Development Council, was the guest speaker. He explained that the purpose of the nine-member council is to develop tourism, stressing the spring, summer and fall seasons.

Noeera said summer visitors to Sanibel and Captiva are mainly young married couples with families who come here for a weekend "get-away" or a one-week vacation from within the state of Florida.

He also said for every \$1 spent in advertising in the area, \$69 new dollars are received in value.

The four ABWA scholarship recipients were guests. Deborah Drobnay, Siobhan McDermott,

Judith Workman and Debbie Hill each spoke about her plans in her respective fields of education.

Florene Higgins reported that the dinner meetings will be held at the Thistle Lodge for the next three months.

Eleanore Bauman listed present membership at 64 members.

All members are urged to attend the July meeting to cast their vote for the new executive board for the 1984-85 year. The next meeting will be July 12.

Any women who are employed in the area are invited to attend a meeting. For reservations call Florene Higgins at least four days prior to the meeting date, 472-9749 days, or 463-6856 evenings. Membership information can be obtained by calling Eleanore Bauman, 472-1222 days, or 463-6856 evenings.

Kiwanians will hear about CROW

The Sanibel-Captiva Kiwanis Club will meet for breakfast at 7:15 a.m. on Wednesday, June 27, at the Sundial. Guest speaker will be CROW's Roger Gauerfeld.

All members and guests are invited to attend. For more information call Mark Rodgers, 472-4311.

Two-for-one dinner coupon books are on sale now for \$16. They can be purchased from any Kiwanian at the Bank of the Islands. This year's participating restaurants are: Thistle Lodge, The Trainers, the Ivarsbroker, the Grass Elephant, Ledigos and Morgans Market, Glads Seafood House at the Ramada Inn and the Oyster Shell were erroneously listed as participants in last week's release about the coupon books. They participated in the coupon book last year. The Kiwanians apologize for any confusion the error might have caused.

Lions install officers, induct two new members

New officers of the Sanibel-Captiva Lions Club were installed June 15. The dinner at the Sundial was attended by several regional officials and visitors from the South Fort Myers Lions Club.

The installation was conducted by Past District Gov. Ken Shivel assisted by District Gov. Del Bullock, Past District Gov. Max Moelling and District Gov.-elect Don Lawrie.

Len Yaeché, outgoing president of the Sanibel-Captiva club, was presented with an engraved gavel and going as a reminder of his active term of office. Numerous awards were given to members as a record of appreciation for club service during the past year.

The Lion of the Year award was given to Lynn Rogers for his participation in club projects and

especially in the area of promotion of the work of the Florida Lions' Camp for the Visually Handicapped.

Officers installed for the coming year were: president, Joseph Feeney; first vice president, Francis Bailey; second vice president, Ken Meeker; third vice president, Phil Moyers; secretary, William Gudman; treasurer, Dan Dees; Lion Tamer, Mary Nagot; and tall twister, George Licht.

Directors are Bert Jenks, Doc Cooperrider, Jim Herries, Art Johnson, Bob Sagers and Joseph Siskewic.

The club's regular meeting was held at the Sanibel Community Association hall June 20. Past District Gov. Ray Aeblinger of Cape Coral spoke about the seriousness of diabetes in the elderly and thanked

the club for its donation to the support of the American Diabetes Association.

Lion John Cook reported on those recovering from illnesses and also noted that the Bloodmobile will be on the island July 11 at the Bank of the Islands and Bailey's.

It was reported also that the club has raised and given to charities a total of \$24,999 in 1984.

New members Robert Manns and Ed Barnes were inducted into the club.

There will be no meeting July 4. This meeting will be held one week later on July 11. The regular schedule will resume July 18. All meetings begin at 6:30 p.m. at the Sanibel Community Association hall. The board of directors will meet at the Bank of the Islands on July 25.

LIBRARY REPORTS

New books at the Sanibel Public Library

<p>FICTION</p> <p>L'Amour, Louis. The Walking Drum. This popular author of westerns moves to the exotic 12th century. His hero is a daring seeker of knowledge and fortune who travels from Brittany to Spain and on to Constantinople.</p> <p>Battle, Lois. Southern Women. The bonds of family versus the struggle for independence and personal freedom. Funny, poignant, on target — so smooth as a magnum pistol.</p>	<p>Bellow, Saul. Hits With His Foot in His Mouth. A novella and four other stories presenting Bellow in a rewarding display of family fiction memoirs and colorful essays.</p> <p>Howatch, Susan. The Wheel of Fortune. Four generations of the Godwin family strive to retain control of the family manor, Osmoon. A tangled web of rivalries and intrigue filled with zesty talk, wild family trees and haunted clan atmosphere.</p>	<p>BIOGRAPHY</p> <p>Englund, Steven. Grace of Monaco. An in-depth view of the actress who traded her screen career for the responsibilities of being princess.</p> <p>Welty, Eudora. One Writer's Beginning. Originally given as a set of three lectures at Harvard in 1983, each section helps show us what shaped Welty as a writer. The first centers on reading and being read to a child; the second on sheltered first steps away from home; and the third on moving into the outside world.</p>	<p>NON-FICTION</p> <p>Bloomington, Teresa. Life is What Happens When You're Making Other Plans. After 10 children, Mrs. B. takes on the hazards of being a "working" mother, trading mid-life crisis for mid-life career. Sit back in the shade and enjoy.</p> <p>Walker, Alice. In Search of Our Mothers' Gardens. The first collection of the author's non-fiction includes essays written over the past 15 years. You'll find thoughtful, intelligent musings from last year's Pulitzer Prize fiction winner.</p>
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New books at the Captiva Memorial Library

<p>NON-FICTION</p> <p>Collins, Joan. Past Imperfect. (Simon and Schuster, 1984) The candid, daring autobiography of Joan Collins, the internationally famous star whose career has brought her to a new peak of celebrity as Alexis Carrington in Dynasty. She tells all — from her romantic adventures to the inside story of her sensational show business career.</p> <p>Ewald, William Jr. Who Killed Joe McCarthy? (Simon and Schuster, 1984) The first complete account of Sen. Joe McCarthy's politically fatal confrontation with the Army in 1954. Based on new documentary evidence, it chronicles the administration's efforts to thwart McCarthy — and the roles of the key men in Congress, the Pentagon and the press corps.</p> <p>Fuller, John. The Day We Bombed Utah: America's Most Lethal Secret. (New American Library, 1984) A powerful, disturbing account of the scandalous atomic bomb tests cover-</p>	<p>up by the U.S. government.</p> <p>Haig, Alexander Jr. Caveat: Realism, Reagan, and Foreign Policy. (McGraw-Hill, 1984) Chronologically covers the 18-month period Haig served as secretary of state. Included are brief personal reminiscences that give an intimate account of power relationships at the highest level of government.</p> <p>Heller, Robert. The Super-managers: Managing for Success —</p>	<p>The Men Who Make It Happen, The Reasons Why. (Dutton, 1984) This book on managing for success identifies scores of American managers in action and considers what it takes to be a good manager.</p> <p>Kassoria, Irene. Go For It! How To Win at Love, Work, and Play. (Delacorte, 1984) Psychologist Kassoria guides the reader toward a successful life by telling us how to realize our special potential.</p>
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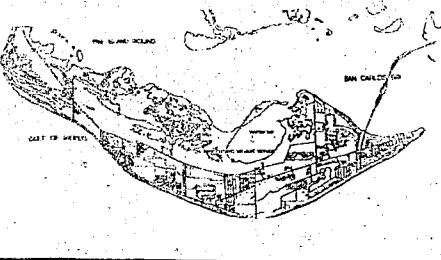
The proposed Ordinance will generally amend the Comprehensive Land Use Plan, Sub-section 3, of Part 2.3; Protection of Natural Environmental, Economic and Scenic Resources, Section 2.3.1; Preservation of Ecological Functions Relating to Health, Safety and Welfare, Subsection 8; Delineation of the Ecological Zones; by the amendment of paragraphs (A) through (G) of said Subsection 3, so as to more specifically define the criteria used in determining ecological zones; providing for conflict and severance; and providing an effective date.

The proposed ordinance is on file at Sanibel City Hall where such proposed ordinance may be inspected by the public.

A Public Hearing on the proposed ordinance will be held on July 3, 1984 at 5:01 P.M. at Sanibel City Hall, in the Council Chambers (MacKenzie Hall), 800 Dunlop Road, Sanibel, Florida. All interested persons are invited to attend the hearing.

If a person decides to appeal any decision of the body with respect to any matter considered at such meeting or hearing, he will need a record of the proceedings, and for such purposes he may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

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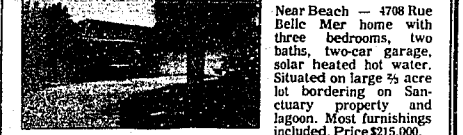
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ON THE WATER

By Captain Mike Fuery

Probably the most frustrating thing for an angler new to Florida waters is to look out and see fish jumping right out of the water. And it's even more frustrating to try and catch one. Let's have a look at this jumping fish we call a mullet.

In 1952 my family moved to St. Petersburg from western New York State. Shortly after that my father started renting a small boat and rowing my mother and me over the flats around Tampa Bay.

I cannot tell you how many casts I made to jumping mullet on those first few trips. Back home in New York, if it jumped, it was one of the bass family or perhaps a small trout. Either way, back there you got your line in the water and could very likely get a bite.

But casting to mullet is considerably less rewarding, to say the least. It only took a few trips before we started asking about what it took to catch a mullet.

Of course, we were the object of great laughter from those back at the dock.

What's so funny about mullet? Well, besides being very unusual and interesting, they are also vegetarians. They don't eat shrimp. They don't chase lures. They don't take flies. They don't have any interest in fly baits, for that matter.

No, mullet are not a hook and line fish. They are netted by professional gill netters who sell the meat

and roe to local markets and around the world. As a matter of fact, our own Lee County is one of the top mullet producing areas of the south.

Technically, there are four kinds of mullet. Some like mullet; and some are prime bait for snook, tarpon and other smaller game fish.

The most common mullet in this area is what we call the black mullet. It is more correctly known as the striped mullet, *Mugil cephalus*.

The black mullet can reach lengths of 30 inches and can weigh up to 15 pounds, but the average is more like 12-16 inches and two to three pounds.

I said mullet will not take baits from a hook and line angler, but this is not completely correct. For years people have tried to figure out how to hook the shy, schooling mullet. Well, it can be done. Two methods seem to have highly mixed results, and I don't recommend either for the person with little patience.

Mullet often appear in schools of several hundred in protected bays or canals. It is possible to chum them within range of your fishing spot by using tiny dough balls. You put out your chum and insert a tiny hook, say size one, in a dough ball. I've heard that the same can be done with fresh kernels of corn.

No doubt, if you want to taste mullet filets, you can catch more with a cast net. I took a throw off a

dock the other day — without even knowing there was a mullet in the area — and got seven big ones. I kept a couple for tarpon bait and let the others go. All I wanted to do was wash off my net!

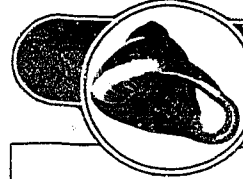
There is some question about why mullet jump. Some say to digest their food. Mullet will jump like crazy when big fish like dolphin are after them. Other times, so it is said, they jump to rid themselves of parasites on their scales.

The white mullet is the other common one around here, but it is even more common on Florida's east coast. It is the white mullet is more silvery and doesn't usually grow as large as the black. It makes excellent bait and is a favorite of anglers chasing huge bill fish.

But the white mullet doesn't make for very good eating, compared with the black. And they are all too small, hardly reaching a foot in length.

Mullet make great eating when smoked. Old time Floridians choose mullet over any other fish in the state. You can try some by checking with the fish markets at some of the big shopping centers on the islands. The Buttonwood Bar-B-Que near Blind Pass has smoked mullet when it's available.

Good fishing this week — and save your strength if you are casting to mullet.



SHELLING TIPS

By Captain Mike Fuery

The many islands that make up the Florida Keys are interesting places to look for shells, but they are somewhat different than Sanibel and Captiva Islands.

What does a professional shelling and fishing guide do when he finally gets two days of vacation? He takes a shelling trip, of course. We were guided by a young woman who explained some of the history of the Keys, how the islands were formed and where to look to see the various tropical trees.

One of my favorites was a colorful tree with the wonderfully colorful name, frangipani.

We stayed at the Hawk's Kay resort on Duck Key. Each room in the hotel has soap made from the frangipani.

We took a short boat ride to the flats on the outside of the islands that make up the Keys. The water there is very clear, and under sunny, calm conditions you can see down eight feet or more into the water.

Shelling in the Keys is mostly from these flats. There is very little shelling along the shore as we have on Sanibel.

It wasn't long before my wife, Carol, picked up what she thought was a king's crown. As we looked over the muted, protected bay of this one island, we saw dozens of crowns — the odd thing was they were

elongated versions of the crowns we are familiar with around here.

After checking over several shelling books we learned the shell was actually a high-spired crown conch. We saw some lives ones, but there were lots of empty shells, too.

Our guide came up with the best find on the flats — a hawk wing conch that was about four inches tall. This shell looks much like our Florida fighting conch but is a lighter color.

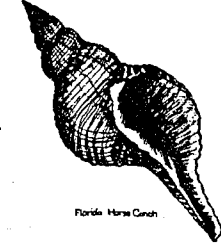
The queen of milk conch is the most famous of all the conchs found in the Keys. We passed many shell shops along the roadside, and all of them had mounds of queen conchs for sale. Most were taken alive, so you can guess that the population of these shells is in serious trouble. We didn't see one live queen conch on our trip.

I found a rather unusual shell called a star shell, which is shaped sort of like a turban but has distinctive spines around the edges. There are several star shells found in the Keys, but the long-spined star has the most vivid shape and color.

I kept an eye out for the second most popular shell of the Keys after the queen conch — the cowrie. This glossy, rounded shell has very colorful markings. It reminds me of a giant bubble shell. A big cowrie would only measure about three inches.

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ISLANDER SPORTS

By Scott Martell

June 23-30: National Tennis Week Tournaments, clinics take place on Sanibel

This is National Tennis Week, and all sorts of activities are happening here on the islands in observance of the special week. Tennis is not a sport whose players hang up their rackets in the heat of summer. Instead, it is only a year "round sport" here — whether it be casual play, lessons or big tournaments such as the one last week at the Sundial or the one coming up this weekend at the Sanibel

Recreation Complex. Summer means more free courts due to less island visitors — but it also means knowing how to prepare for bugs and when to quit to avoid heat exhaustion. But, for those of us of all ages who love tennis, the chance to play is here — in all kinds of ways, as this page of some recent tennis action shows.



Left, Sanibel's Bill Fous at the Sundial tournament. Above, Bessie Paragas came from Tampa for the tournament.

The Dunes holds summer tennis camp

Young tennis players from around the area have congregated this summer at the Dunes Golf and Tennis Club.

Besides a summer day camp for younger children, the Dunes sponsors a tennis camp for youths 10-16. This group competes at least once a week with participants in other serious tennis camps in Southwest Florida.

"But even if an island youngster is not a member of the tennis club or the Dunes, we would like them to join in the competitive matches," says Bill Fous, director of tennis at the Dunes.

This Wednesday the group will head to Venice to play a team from the Plantation Club. On Friday the Dunes team will travel to Naples to play the Naples YMCA.

The Dunes won the first team match of the year last week, defeating the Cape Coral Yacht Club 22 matches to 16. Each player won at least one match, Fous says.

But Friday the tables were turned slightly as the Cape club came to Sanibel and defeated the Dunes 19 matches to five. Laura Fenton, however, won two matches for the Dunes.

Fous mentioned that many of his older team members were playing in a state-sanctioned USTA tournament last Friday and were unable to attend the Dunes matches. He did have 16 players competing, most 14 and under.



Lisa Fenton is getting in tennis shape this summer at the Dunes.

Lipton Mixed Doubles tournament set for this weekend

The Lipton Ice Tea Mixed Doubles qualifying tournament is set for June 30-July 1 at the rec complex. The tournament offers local players the chance to advance to national competition.

Players who participate in the nationwide amateur tournament are competing for a trip to the national final, says Jack Beardsworth, local tournament director.

Details for the mixed-doubles teams are available by contacting Beardsworth, 482-6226 or 472-9191. Entry blanks are available at various clubs and sporting good stores.

The event is for amateurs of all abilities, Beardsworth says. It will be a fun day of tennis for all competitors at the city rec complex. Winners will have the chance to move up to one of 128 sectional events in July and August. After that come the regionals. The regional winners, each with an expense paid trip to the national finals.

The Sanibel rec complex courts will be closed to the public during this June 30-July 1 tournament. However, spectators are encouraged to come out to cheer on their favorites.

Free clinic concentrates on various aspects of the game

The first "Stroke of the Week" clinic was held last Thursday night with concentration on the forehand stroke. This Thursday the focus will be on the backhand.

The free clinic is offered from 7 to 9 p.m. every Thursday through Aug. 15 at the Sanibel Recreation Complex courts by the elementary school.

It is sponsored by the rec com-

plex and by Racquet Sports Management, Inc. Instructors are Jack Beardsworth, Paula Scheb and Molly Beardsworth — members of Racquet Sports Management.

Jak Beardsworth gave instruction on the forehand stroke last week. Among the many tips he offered were:

•Let the racket do the work by making sure you follow through on

Sundial resort hosts clay court championships

The Sundial Beach and Tennis Club hosted the three-day Sanibel Island Clay Court Championships last weekend.

"The matches ran on time, we had good cooperation with the weather and some great matches were played," said an enthusiastic Tony Haiski, tennis professional at the Sundial.

Fifty players competed in the singles matches, and 75 played in doubles competition. Players came from as far away as Pensacola and Ocala, and also included many from Sanibel. The event was USTA sponsored, meaning that results will help determine rankings in the state. Prize money was also a draw to the clay court tournament.

Results included:

•Men's open singles final: John Rauthan defeated Fred Robinson,

6-4, 6-3.
•Women's open singles final: Darlene Finnegan defeated Margaret Curry, 6-0, 6-1.

•Men's 45-over open final: Shelby Creagh defeated Jon Anderson, 6-1, 6-4.

•Men's open doubles final: Bob Crawford and Richard Trapp defeated Joe Martineau and Jim Kridle, 6-2, 6-2.

•Women's open doubles: Margaret Curry and Sonia Henn defeated Trapp and Crawford, 6-2, 7-6.

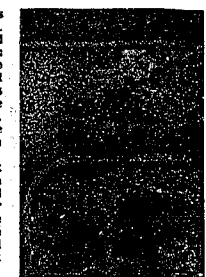
•Men's 45-over doubles: Shelby Creagh and Jon Anderson defeated Jerry Miller and George Smith, 6-7, 6-4, 7-6.

•Mixed open doubles: Darlene Finnegan and Brian Finnegan defeated Butch Shoreack and Laura Muzio, 7-6, 6-2.

Sportsman of the Week: Lee Lovetro

Tennis player Lee Lovetro, 16, is this week's Sportsman of the Week. Lovetro is getting in some good practice and tough competition in matches at the Dunes tennis camp his summer. During the school year she played on the Cypress Lake High School team and was the District 13 champion in Flight 3. And she has only played the game for the past 1½ years. She will be a senior at Cypress Lake next year.

The Sportsman of the Week recognizes local athletes from fishermen to ballplayers and swimmers to golfers. The Islander welcomes nominations for the distinction. Nominations should be in our office by noon Thursday and can be made by calling Scott Martell, 472-5165.



Lee Lovetro

the shot. The shot really only begins when the ball first touches the strings.
•Attack a drop shot — don't let it explode on you. The drop shot will gain speed and jump at you if it backhand-wallops it.
•The best time to hit a ball is when it is on the peak of its bounce. When the ball hits the court it bounces up, sits for a moment at its peak, then

falls.
•Adjust to the pace of the shots hit at you. You can do this through bringing your racket back at the same pace the ball is hit toward you. A fast hit requires a fast draw back of the racket; a slower ball requires a slower draw back. By adjusting to the pace you can add a more fluid motion to your game.

Sports quiz

"Jimmy the Greek" and Mario Dannon both knew that Mark Spitz holds the Olympic record for total medals and gold medals won.

Spitz won an incredible 11 medals, including nine gold ones, in the 1968 and 1972 Olympics. He also holds the record for most gold medals won in a single Olympics (seven).

But no one guessed correctly the trick question: The largest pool in the world is not in Las Vegas. It is in Casablanca, Morocco. The saltwater pool is 480 meters long and 75 meters wide and has an area of 8.9 acres.

This week we turn to tennis questions. First: Who was the first player ever to win the grand slam of tennis? And second: Is it true that tennis originated with a group of American Indians in the 13th century?

If you think you know give us a call at 472-5165. If you're right we'll print your name in next week's Islander.

Island volleyball

The Sanibel Slammers have won six games in a row in Fort Myers summer recreation league competition.

Last week the Slammers dished the "Lowlifes" by scores of 15-1, 15-5, 13-1. "The team played extremely well and without error," said coach David La Croix, adding the team hardly worked up a sweat while demolishing the Lowlifes.

The Slammers gave up but seven points in the entire three game set. Last week the team unleashed a "secret weapon" in tall (6'5") John Owens. The female contingent is also strong, including a good performance last week by Katrina La Croix.

Beachview women's golf

The Beachview women played a tournament Wednesday, June 20. The winning team with a plus five was Erna Mikulic, Roz Wegryn and Jean Reed.

Beachview men's golf

The Beachview men played their regular Saturday tournament June 16. The winning team with plus six was Clem Donnell, Bruce Henderson, Bob Robertson and George Brauch.

In tournament play at San Carlos Country Club the winning team with 118 was Jerry Muench, Dick Muench, Dave Dean and Mike Long. Winners of two-man team play with plus 61 were Arnold Goodman and Gary Hestrick.

Placing second in four-man play with 120 were Ira Hartman, Ray Howland, Les Suedl and Ed Barone. And taking second in two-man team play with 62 were Clem Donnell and Ed Hancock. Finishing third with 122 were Jeff Deas, Bob Schaefer, Hank Creagh and Don Purcell. The third place two-man team with 63 was Bob Robertson and Bob Sugere.

Sanibel Water Attack Team finishes third overall in season's first league meet

After a league rain-out two weeks ago, the Sanibel Water Attack Team was pumped and ready to go last Wednesday for its first official league meet.

The self-proclaimed "dirty dozen" placed third overall despite having only 12 swimmers, according to coach June Muench.

Swimming for Sanibel were Danny Rogers, Paul Sorensen, Alex Messinger, Heather Stalin, Andy Weaver, Andy Muench, Paige Horak, Valerie Cope, David Ford, Rio Gralnick, Brian Carson and Chris Sorensen.

Competing in the under six division, Danny Rogers picked up a second in red-freestyle, 27.0;

third in red-backstroke, 42.9; and sixth in red-breaststroke, 39.9. Paul Sorensen picked up a first in blue-freestyle, 23.1; fourth in blue-backstroke, 33.3; and second in blue-breaststroke, 24.3. Alex Messinger picked up a second in red-freestyle, 26.1; second in blue-backstroke, 31.4; and a first in blue-breaststroke, 28.9.

In the eight and under division, Heather Stalin picked up a third in red-backstroke, 30.8; and a first in red-breaststroke, 30.8. Andy Weaver picked up a second in red-freestyle, 18.1; first in red-backstroke, 26.9; and sixth in red-breaststroke, 28.0. Andy Muench picked up a first in blue-freestyle, 14.7; first

in blue-backstroke, 17.3; and first in blue-breaststroke, 21.6.

In the 10 and under division, Paige Horak picked up a second in the blue-freestyle, 54.2; second in the blue-backstroke, 65.4; and fifth in the blue-breaststroke, 51.2. David Ford picked up a fifth in the red-breaststroke, 1:07. Rio Gralnick picked up a fifth in blue-freestyle, 37.8; and a sixth in the blue-backstroke, 49:04. Brian Carson picked up second in the red-freestyle, 30.8. Chris Sorensen picked up a second in the red-backstroke, 52.9; and a fourth in the red-breaststroke, 50.51.

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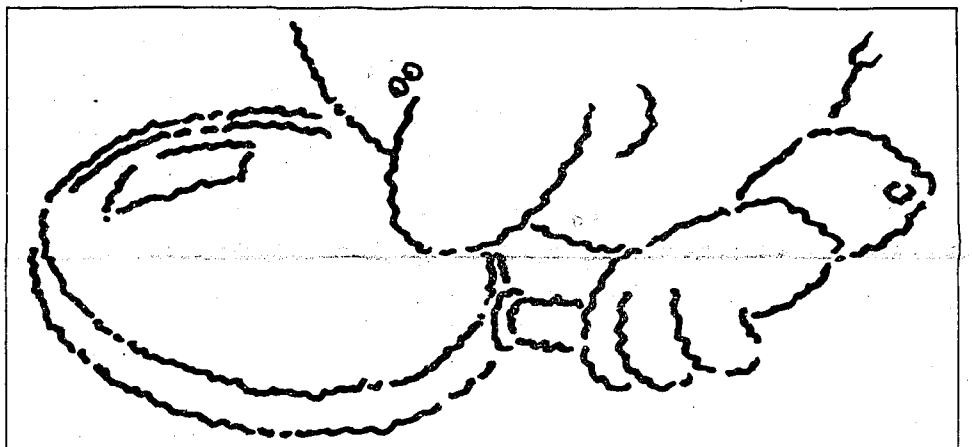
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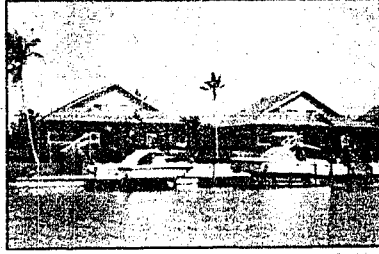
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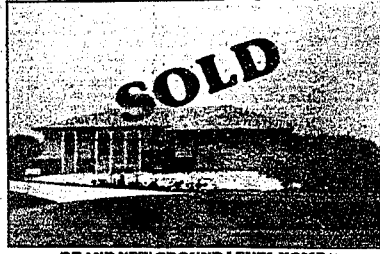
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