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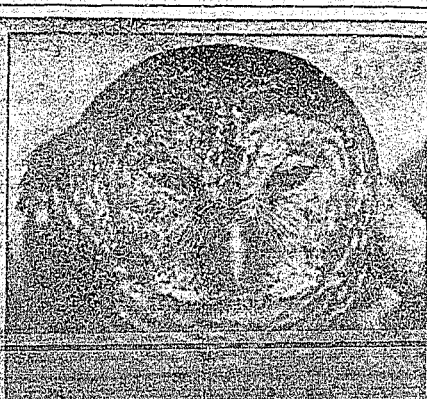
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The owl is recovering from a fractured wing. Photo by Christie McElroy.

Give a hoot for CROW, get bargains in the process

The not-so-wise owl shown here is just one of a variety of injured wildlife whose care and rehabilitation depends partially upon fundraising events such as the White Pelican Sale sponsored by CROW to be held from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, March 2, at the Sanibel Community Association.

These events will be doubly profitable. First, since all proceeds will benefit CROW, there's the good feeling that goes with helping the Islands' wildlife. And, then there's the special feeling of satisfaction that comes with getting bargains.

About the owl, it was discovered in the nick of time by Roger Rogacki of North Fort Myers, who was unloading his truck full of corn into the chute going to the corn-chipper. He rescued the owl and took it to South Trail Animal Hospital. From there it was transported to CROW by the volunteer express and is now recovering from a compound fractured wing.

CROW workers are still accepting articles for the sale and can arrange limited pick-up of goods. Call 472-1812 or 472-9994 for details.

Sanibel City Council will consider moratorium on commercial development

"The nature of life on the Islands is changing. It would be a sell-out for the council not to look at the commercial growth and find the problem."

John Knipf
COTI spokesman

"The last commercial moratorium lasted 18 months and caused a lot of hardship. I feel it is unwise to create another artificial situation."

Realtor Ralph Cail

By Barbara Brundage

After six hours of discussion at two special meetings the City Council last week still could neither pinpoint the problems perceived as the result of rapid commercial development nor identify the consequences of continued growth at the current rate.

But in an effort to buy time to determine how to maintain a compatible

balance between commercial and residential development, the council agreed to consider a six-month moratorium on new commercial development.

The council voted 4-1, with Councilman Francis Bailey dissenting, to consider an ordinance placing a

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Connors inaugurates his namesake tennis center

By Scott Martell

Jimmy Connors stroked his way past Elliot Teltscher, 6-2, 6-3, and Eddie Dibbs prevailed over Brian Gottfried, 6-3, 6-2, Saturday in an exhibition tournament before more than 3,500 enthusiastic tennis buffs at Sanibel Harbour Resort.

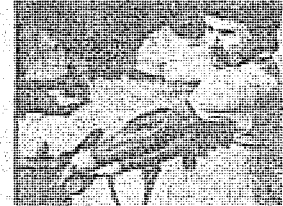
The event was part of the grand opening celebrations for the new resort on the mainland side of the Causeway.

The resort received permission from the Lee County officials to hold the exhibitions in literally the 11th hour — Friday morning. The same day brought rain and wind that forced the delay of ribbon-cutting

ceremonies for the 5,000-seat center court stadium until Saturday.

The event will be televised by NBC. Beginning March 9

the resort will host the Paine Webber Classic. The event will be televised by NBC.



Jimmy Connors drives his winning court ball. For more photos from the Sanibel Harbour grand opening celebration see page 18C. Photo by Mark Johnson.

Five voters form committee to push for reconsideration of Bay Drive bridge vacation

By Barbara Brundage

Five Sanibel voters have filed an affidavit with City Manager Gary Price petitioning the City Council to reconsider an ordinance that vacates to a private owner a wooden bridge and several feet of Bay Drive on either end of the span.

Ordinance 85-04, adopted by the council on Feb. 5, does not become effective unless approved by the voters at a special election set for March 25.

Ella Mae Slang, John McElheron, Paulette Bur-

ton, Norma Leas and David Leas signed the notarized document. They will constitute the Petitioners Committee to initiate a referendum in the event the council fails to rescind the ordinance on reconsideration.

The committee intends to begin circulating petitions calling for the reconsideration as soon as the forms are available from the city, Burton said Friday.

Under Sec. 6.04 of the city's charter if at recon-

sideration the council fails to rescind its action, any five qualified voters can begin the process for initiative and referendum to put the ordinance to a vote of the people.

Signatures of 25 percent of Sanibel's registered voters (3,292 at last November's general election) are required in order for the referendum petition to be declared "sufficient."

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ISLAND SHORTS

Community news and announcements about your friends and neighbors



FISH benefits from Rotary generosity

Friends in Service Here, the volunteer organization that offers non-emergency services to Islanders in need, received a much appreciated boost in the form of \$350 from the Sanibel-Captiva Rotary Club last week.

FISH provided a transportation, house calls, shopping services and even delivers hot meals to those who qualify. For details about how you can receive FISH services call 472-0464.



Rotarian Bill Anspach, left, presents the \$350 check to Trump Bradley for FISH. Photo by Mark Johnson.

New planning clerk joins city department

Jennifer Antalnik, who moved to Sanibel two months ago from St. Louis, is the latest addition to the city's Planning Department. She began her duties as a planning clerk last week.

Before moving to Florida Jennifer, 25, worked for 3 1/2 years as an executive secretary

in St. Louis. She attended St. Louis Community College for two years and plans to continue working toward a degree in business administration at Edison Community College.

Her husband, Roy, is employed in the produce department at Bailey's General Store.



Jennifer Antalnik

Princeton grads plan annual Sanibel luncheon

The Princeton Club of Southwest Florida will hold its annual Sanibel luncheon at noon this Friday, Feb. 22, at the Ramada Inn.

Guest speaker will be Dr. Aaron Lomonick, Dean of the Princeton faculty.

To make reservations call Harry Wardell in Naples, 262-1957.

Republicans will hear several congressmen

The Republican Committee of Lee County is sponsoring its 1985 Lincoln Day Dinner Saturday, March 9, at the Italian American Club in Cape Coral.

Featured speakers will be congressman Connie Mack III of Florida, Newt Gingrich of Georgia, Bob Walker of Pennsylvania and Vin Weber of Minnesota.

For ticket information call Donna Kreaiger, 472-5519 or 536-5544.

Saturday is the day for Captiva's annual shoppers' extravaganza

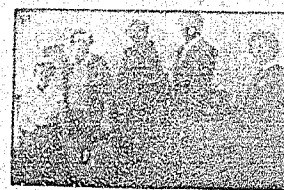
Captiva is all set for its annual extravaganza: The ABC Sale. The sale begins at 8 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 22, at the Island's civic center. Workers predict the goods will be gone by 1 p.m.

Judging from the quality and variety of items donated from "attics, basements and closets," this year's benefit should be the biggest and best ever.

Shoppers will find great bargains in furniture, appliances, jewelry, plants, antiques, books, clothing and baked goods. Men's wear will be available as well as some "boutique" dresses and accessories. There also will be "bargain basement" garments on an outside clothes line, again selling for as low as 40%.

Along with the usual goodies, something new will be on the baked goods table this year. Ann Druning, chairman of that committee, promises some of her caucis syrup.

Following an auction of special items at 9:30 a.m. there will be a raffle.



ABC sale workers from left to right are: Joan Jay, Jane Basinger, Helen Butze, Dan English and Ginny Marion. Photo by Mark Johnson.

More than 60 Sanibel merchants have generously donated their specialties for sale at bargain prices. These include: beach wear, toys, teleacs, clocks, a cash register, framed posters, prints and pocketbooks as well as meals at several restaurants.

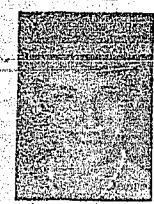
Other items offered at the sale are a tandem bike, a portable sewing machine, a camera, a solar hot water heating panel, a smoker for turkeys and hams, an English teapot, a set of Dansk china, some silver, pressed glass and fine linen. Early browsers can purchase coffee and denuts as well as baked goods beginning at 7 a.m. Proceeds will benefit the Captiva Civic Association, the Captiva Memorial Library and an Island scholarship fund.

The Islander staff expands

Valerie Haugan has joined the staff at The Islander as a part-time receptionist. She and her husband, Bob Johnson, moved to Captiva several months ago from Cowboy Flats, Colo.

Haugan has 15 years of training and experience in ballet dancing and five years in jazz dancing. She appeared in several professional productions and numerous amateur productions in Colorado. She played the character Fortner Myers in Islander Mike Puer's recent production, "The Snugglers of Mangrove Island" and is preparing to do that role again next month.

In addition to her office duties for The Islander Haugan will write occasional reviews of programs in the arts on Sanibel and Captiva.



Valerie Haugan

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Weather watch

Everybody talks about it...

The weatherman calls for mostly sunny skies over the Islands this week with highs forecast in the mid-70s and lows in the 50s. There is only a slight chance of rain through Friday.

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

	HIGH	LOW	RAIN
Monday, Feb. 11	72	57	25
Tuesday, Feb. 12	67	56	0
Wednesday, Feb. 13	60	51	0
Thursday, Feb. 14	60	50	0
Friday, Feb. 15	29	48	12
Saturday, Feb. 16	62	47	0
Sunday, Feb. 17	70	51	0

Obituary

Robert Potts

Former Sanibel resident Robert Potts died Thursday, Feb. 14, 1985, in Fort Myers. He was 61. Potts moved to Florida 17 years ago from Bethlehem, Penn. He was a member of the Sanibel Community Church, Araba Temple, the South Fort Myers Lions Club, the American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

He is survived by his wife, Doris, and daughter, Deborah Williams, both of Fort Myers; sons Gregory of Tyler, Texas, and Dennis of Manila, Philippines; four sisters, three brothers and nine grandchildren.

Services were held Sunday, Feb. 17, at Harvey Funeral Home in Fort Myers. The Rev. Dennis Potts and the Rev. John Wilcox officiated. Memorial contributions can be made to the American Cancer Society or to GFA Missions, 920 Wade Hampton Blvd., Greenville, S.C. 29604.

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20 Years Ago This Week
Feb. 18, 1965

The Sanibel Library is desperately in need of volunteers to man the desk and catalogue books during regular library hours from 10 a.m. to noon every Tuesday and from 1 to 4 p.m. every Saturday at the Sanibel Community Association.

Castaways Marina advertised cruises "to rare live shell beds," where shellers could find "collector items and live specimens." Reservations suggested.

15 Years Ago This Week
Feb. 19, 1970

Paul and Irene Adams have completed the enlargement of their dress shop at Seven Seas for the convenience of their customers.

Bailey's advertised chuck roast for 49 cents a pound, white meat tuna for 45 cents a pound, and slice bacon for 99 cents a pound.

10 Years Ago This Week
Feb. 29, 1975

John Butler has been named Sanibel's first police chief. The former chief of the Mansfield, Ohio, police department was chosen for the Sanibel position over 24 other applicants.

The owners of Letizia's restaurant announced that, because of popular demand, they would be open for business on Friday evenings.

More than 400 tickets were sold to last week's fashion show to benefit the Children's Center of the Islands. Models included Adelaide Bailey, Mary Piplino, Julie Santamarie, Welome Kevanama, Christin Choate, Mary Jo Morse, Betty Squires, Jenni Muench, June Muench, Shannon Cole and Helen Friday.

5 Years Ago This Week
Feb. 10, 1980

Shirley's Spirit of Foolishness on Captiva celebrated its grand opening last week with a fashion show and live remote show by a Fort Myers radio station.

The Sanibel Women's Tennis Ladder showed Lou Anne Parker ranked first followed by Pam Thompson, Pam Fisher, Marge Paek, June Muench, Dorothy Anderson, Wendy Blissell, Mary Ann Boleman, Linda McCarthy and Kathy Clapp.

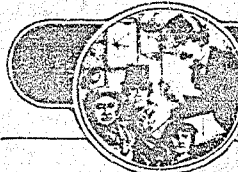
The Island weather report showed a high of 74 and a low of 46 during the week that ended Feb. 14.

1 Year Ago This Week
Feb. 21, 1984

Captivan Jamie Farquharson has put the Pirate Playhouse up for sale. Asking price: \$325,000.

A new branch of First Independence Bank opened at the Three Star grocery complex on Sanibel last week.

Members recently elected to the Sanibel Public Library board of directors include: Robert Haynie, Joe McMurtry, Emily Muench, John Seabrooke, Joe Robertson, Freda Turbe, Edley Levy, Pat Robertson, Frances Scholesfield, Stanley Johnson, Mildred Chamberlin, Arthur Clark, Harriet Howe, Donald Rugg and Reed Toomey.



COMMENTARY

Commercial development alarms resident who hopes council acts on basic philosophy

To the Editor
The Islander
 It is heart-warming to read in your paper that the City Council agrees on the basic philosophy that Sanibel should not become a shopping area for day visitors. It is, however, heart chilling to read that it is not unanimously recognized as an urgent necessity to act upon this sound philosophy.

The problem is not "imaginary or arbitrary." It is a real, concrete and factual one. It is time to see things the way they are and not as they are represented in chamber of commerce folders or as in the October issue of Travel and Leisure magazine featuring "Sanibel and Captiva Splendors," an article obviously written for promotion sake. Things are not

indeed what they say they are. This lovely island crowned with palm trees — "A Paradise at the end of the world," as Ann Morrow Lindberg saw it in 1935 — has gone through many metamorphoses since the bridge was built. First it lost its insular identity and became a city. It became then the Paradise of the real estate promoters, developers, restaurateurs, merchants. Large black-top parking lots, numerous tennis courts, shopping centers, (two more giant ones to come up soon) allowed access and access of this fragile sand bar to be defoliated, excavated, plundered and damaged by bulldozers.

And yet there are still many people who doubt the necessity to put an end to it.

It is hoped that the citizens of this city, the nature conservationists who so zealously barred last year a golf club, (which, by the way, was at the eyes of this writer, the least of the evils to come yet) will again be as vocal and zealous to help protect the balance between environment and commercial development. For if it is not acted upon seriously by now, Sanibel-Captiva will soon become: Sanibel Mall — a place to read about, to think about and remember, but a disappointing one to see.

Sigvard,
 V.M. Bursley
 Michigan
 and Sanibel

Four parts of Jan. 29 newspaper generate comments

To the Editor
The Islander
 This is a belated four-point Commentary response to your Jan. 28 issue.

1. Re: George Campbell's "What is a Florida panther?" Answer: a nuisance. The state allows speed limits to be reduced to 45 mph on Alligator Alley to protect panthers but does not allow speed limits to be reduced on lives. There's talk of overpasses for panther crossings (can panthers read as to where they are to cross?) when complete rest

facilities are badly needed along I-75.

2. I heartily agree with your commentary that the Sanibel City Council and Porter Goss that the U.S. Coast Guard should reconsider and implement scheduled bridge openings. (Your cartoon about this really makes a point.) Question: for a point of information — do pleasure boaters share in the cost of opening the span?

3. I appreciate your going back to the original format of tides for Sanibel and Captiva as the ones you had in some previous issues didn't make sense.

4. Regarding Belinda York's letter about the school bus stop — I believe that most if not all of the children waiting for and being discharged from the school bus at Periwinkle Way and Bailey Road are from the Dunes area. For if it is not, I suggest that the school bus stop be at Bailey Road and Sandcastle Road. This is approximately 1/2 mile each way from Periwinkle Way.

Ed Kaye
 Sanibel

Visitor calls Causeway biking restrictions discrimination

To the Editor
The Islander
 A recent one-week vacation visiting lovely Sanibel was marred by some unexpected bicycling restrictions. I was informed that I could not bicycle back and forth across the Sanibel Causeway.

The purpose of my vacation was to spend a week bicycling in Lee County and the surrounding area while my wife shopped and toured Sanibel. I was dismayed to find I could not bicycle off the Island.

The Causeway roads and bridges are sufficiently wide for bicycling, and the speed limit of 35 mph is

ideal. This appears to be a severe case of discrimination against bicyclists by the local officials. Are they not aware of the benefits of bicycling both to the individual and the community?

I have not experienced this kind of restriction anywhere else in my vacation travels, which makes it all the more shocking to find it in a resort area. It is time for Lee County to come into the 20th Century. Bicycle travel is the trend of the future.

Years truly,
 Nagle Whitehead
 Ringgold, Ga.

Howe suggests lights would ease traffic woes along Palm Ridge Road corridor

A copy of the following letter to the Sanibel City Council was given to The Islander for publication.

Dear Council Members:

You may recall that at your Feb. 1 special meeting on the problems of commercial growth offered a suggestion that such growth in the future be confined to Sanibel's "Main Drag" — i.e. the Periwinkle, San-Cap Road and the Palm Ridge Road corridor.

For brevity's sake, my oral presentation omitted a related suggestion to provide for a smoother flow of vehicular traffic over that corridor through the use of traffic lights. Public safety considerations and private property access rights to that principal corridor prompted the suggestion.

To be sure, it is regrettable that our cherished 693' of a traffic light-free rustic Island is no longer viable. It must give way to the steadily increasing traffic volumes uncontrollably thrust upon us by the Captiva and Causeway traffic with which human

traffic regulators cannot entirely cope.

It is my thought that the corridor's traffic lights be installed promptly at a minimum of strategic locations and be synchronized to minimize the back-up problem. The system should be designed also to operate wholly or partially in lighted or unlighted conditions to accommodate fluctuating and seasonal traffic patterns.

Also recommended to conserve city taxes is the use of available Sanibel Causeway revenues for the installation, operation and maintenance of the traffic lights. I believe that such use is authorized by Lee County resolution of 8/22/77, and the city-county interlocal agreement of 9/21/77.

Your serious consideration is urged for these suggestions at an imminent special public meeting.

Cordially,
 Paul Howe
 Sanibel

The state of SMRH on Sanibel

The following is the text of the President's Annual Report to the membership of Community Housing and Resources, Inc. which was presented by Peter Valtin on Feb. 12, 1985.

"At this moment Sanibel is at the crossroads of a social experiment to determine whether Below Market Rate Housing can be provided without continuing public subsidy.

"As we all know, the issue of BMR housing has been heatedly debated on Sanibel at least since 1979. During most of the intervening time, while CHR did manage to produce one demonstration unit, very little else concrete was achieved and no community consensus emerged.

"In late 1983, however, CHR introduced a financial model showing that BMR could take advantage of inflation (otherwise considered an unmitigated evil). The model showed how rents, rising with inflation, could gradually produce the required housing without large-scale city subsidies, with an infusion only of some seed money in the early years.

"This was a novel approach. The discussion centered on a target figure of 170 units over 10 years. Three elements, combined with council leadership, produced an ordinance in early 1984 formally committing some city resources to a BMR program.

"This ordinance is a fascinating document — a product of myriad compromises between contradictory aims, fears and political philosophies. It confirms the city's obligation to subsidize BMR housing and minimizes the city's role in providing it. It obligates the city to subsidize BMR housing, but it also obligates the BMR program to repay the subsidies. It explicitly opens the possibility of increased density allowances for BMR projects, but it guarantees nothing. It formulates a public policy, in short, that is meant to be carried out by private means.

"After enacting this ordinance the city and CHR entered into a contractual agreement whereby CHR was given responsibility through a housing foundation for the program's administration, including the design and implementation of standards required to regulate the production and occupation of BMR housing.

"To that end CHR has accomplished the following this past year:

1. Hired a director.
2. Developed standards for occupant selection.
3. Designed application forms.
4. Developed basic performance standards for BMR units.
 - a) Minimum-size equipment, maintenance.
 - b) Rent ceilings.
5. Developed a summary of owner and tenant responsibilities.

"With the machinery in place, the process of attracting private developers and financial support was begun in earnest. To that end CHR has:

6. Conducted a survey to assess potential demand for BMR housing among employees and employers.
7. Consulted with tax professionals to produce a document outlining tax advantages of the program.
8. Applied for two separate grants.
9. Developed access to tax exempt financing vehicles.
10. Conducted a direct mail fund-raising campaign.
11. Received the promise from the Mariner Group of the proceeds from the sale of Sanibel Cottages to total \$12,500.

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COMMENTARY

COTI chairman registers concern about Periwinkle Way development

A copy of the following letter to Mayor Fred Valtin from the chairman of the Committee of the Islands was given to The Islander for publication.

Dear Mayor Valtin:

As chairman of the Committee of the Islands I signal to you our organization's continued vital interest in the subject of commercial development on Sanibel. I realize this subject has been studied extensively and recommendations have been made for

some six to seven years. An 18-month moratorium was approved a few years ago and the Borton-Aeschman firm surveyed the Sanibel commercial question. Nevertheless, Periwinkle Way continues to alarm us.

My suggestion would be a six-month moratorium during which options from the planning staff and other sources can receive careful consideration.

The COTI board meets Feb. 29 and will be most anxious to assist

council in seeking workable solutions. I will be asking the COTI board to sponsor a major citizen workshop at the Sanibel Community Association in mid-March to consider the HOGO and "commercial R.O.C.O." questions.

Our goal, which you share, is to maintain and improve the quality of life on the Islands.

Sincerely yours,
 Gilbert Bursley, chairman
 Committee of the Islands

Trash on bike paths, beaches embarrasses resident

To the Editor
The Islander
 We have had a home here on Sanibel for four years and love it very much. We have a lot of company from up north and love to show what a beautiful Island this is.

The trash on the bike path and on the beach embarrasses me. I

ride my bike a couple times a week with burlap bag in hand and fill it without any trouble. We live on the beach and do the same to try and keep it looking good. As I left the island yesterday I saw a lady with two plastic bags collecting trash past the chamber of commerce.

If we all chip in we can keep it

in hand. Stories as in your Feb. 5 issue help keep people aware to "pitch in." Keep up the good work and I will be up with a picture when my subscription runs out.

Phil Lennox
 Sanibel and
 Glastonbury, Conn.

Rabbit Road resident hopes city ignores suggestion to reroute traffic

To the Editor
The Islander
 In answer to James Evans' letter in The Islander, 2/5/85: Please, Sanibel, don't put up more routing more people down Rabbit Road by way of West Gulf Drive. The speeds of the existing traffic already make Rabbit Road a danger to those of us living there. Not a child living on this mainly residential street is allowed to ride his bike. I often wonder how the many tourists riding bikes and jogging ever survive.

Only this morning, thanks to the alertness of the school bus driver, was an accident avoided as a car passed around him as he pulled off after picking up my daughter.

If it would appear that straight traffic is used to make up time lost behind "slow pokes" on other roads, we certainly don't need more traffic, more speeders with indiscriminate passing as is being done on Sanibel-Captiva Road.

In addition, if traffic is increased on West Gulf Drive, which

presently has no bike path, sooner or later there is going to be a terrible accident and an unsuspecting biker out for a pleasant ride is going to be killed.

Please, Mr. Evans, promote your new business another way.

A Rabbit Road resident
 Name withheld upon request

Visitor pens 'random thoughts' on bridge, feud, pedestrians and FP & L

To the Editor
The Islander
 Some random thoughts on a visit:

Bay Shore Drive bridge — I happen to know a good deal about the costs of governmental construction and maintenance. I also happen to know a good deal about the bridge and the associated land.

I collapsed with laughter when the city took the bridge. What folly! Now the issue comes around again and the same self-appointed protectors of the common wealth are running around with "The sky is falling. The sky is falling." There is none so foolish as those who do not know and will not learn. The good citizens should remember: "Fool me once, shame on you. Fool me twice, shame on me." Give the dumb bridge back to the owner.

The Howe and Campbell Feud — Gee, they use harsh language in public print! About as harsh as some of mine in relatively private letters. If they keep this up people will begin to wonder whether they really get along or not.

A lot of the same things could be said much less severely. "Clearly" is a nicer word than "recent." "Almost" says the same thing. "I believe" my many years of study and dealing with the environment provides me with much better qualification to... rather than, "The other fellow does not know anything." Almost says the same thing. Come on, fellows — let us be a little gentler. It would take the joy out of some of the detractors you both must have.

In all the times I've crossed the Causeway I have never, never seen a radar trap. If I had, I would have been stopped — not because I did not want to go slower, but because if I did go slower the 12 cars, trucks, etc., riding my tail would go right over me. And a high percentage of those vehicles are not tourists. If the signs mean anything, then they should be enforced. If not, why not take them down and stop fooling people?

Crossing pedestrians/cyclists on Periwinkle Way — I am never a pedestrian or a cyclist, so this does not affect me personally. However, I can feel compassion for someone else. I hope somebody will start to think about this problem before they have to look at a dead body or two.

When traffic is really heavy on Periwinkle Way it is not impossible for pedestrians/cyclists to cross. Traffic has to move slowly, if at all. When traffic is light it is also not impossible. There are sufficient mutual breaks crossing (both directions) so that, with patience, a safe passage can be achieved.

But when traffic is just plain heavy (as opposed to really heavy) the problem is impossible. The traffic moves at a relatively high speed. When there are not mutual breaks crossing can be classified as highly dangerous. Thought must, at some time, be given to this. Why not now, before the accidents?

The solution? I offer none as any will certainly be unpopular. Why expose myself to more than I have to the slings and arrows of an outraged segment of the citizenry. Sanibel has then alerted. I leave it to the experts and the officials charged with these responsibilities.

The Causeway bridge — Early in history there were big words about, not the sky this time, but "The bridges are falling." Result: lower posted speeds with signs that say, "Save your bridges." Good idea, particularly for trucks, whether the

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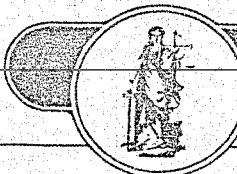
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MUNICIPAL RECORDS

By Barbara Brundage

Noxious vegetation must be removed before development can proceed

Jimmy Cipriani has sold his land clearing and site grading business to Forever Green Lawn Service and leased 3.25 acres of commercially zoned land enclosed by a fence fronting on Periwinkle Way for continued operation of the business.

The 0.1 acres to the rear of this commercial area is zoned residential and is the site of Cipriani's home.

Attorney Tom Corbin, representing both Cipriani and Forever Green owner Joe Cimato, told the Planning Commission last week Cimato wanted to store some of his lawn service equipment on the site and construct a restroom facility for the use of employees and a 30x30-foot storage area on an existing concrete slab.

Removal of Brazilian pepper and melaleuca was one of the conditions for approval of the development permit.

It was the contention of newly-seated commissioners Mark Westall and Bill Webb that the condition was applicable to the entire 10.25-acre parcel.

But the other five commissioners disagreed and voted to approve the development permit with the condition that the noxious vegetation be removed only from the leased commercial site. Westall and Webb dissented.

Request continued for deviation to setback requirement on Singing Wind Drive

Scott Naumann was looking for a deviation to the setback requirements in order to build a single-family home on a lot in Rancho Way subdivision off Island Inn Road.

But at the end of a lengthy hearing before the Planning Commission last week it appeared Naumann would need more than a setback variance in order to build on the lot that is subject to re-arranged flooding.

Naumann said Howell Davis and Associates, engineers, had drawn up a water run-off drainage plan using a berm that would retain the water on the property.

But David Leas and Iton Eagan, who own property nearby, were concerned that should the berm deteriorate the run-off would flood the private road they had to build as a condition of their development permits.

Planning Director Bruce Rogers pointed out that it and when the city adopts proposed, stricter standards for wastewater disposal a septic system would not be allowed at this location.

Rogers said he failed to understand why Naumann's engineers had indicated on an application for a Lee County Health Department septic tank permit that there was no flooding on the lot, "when everyone knows it is under water most of the time."

Chairman Lemart Lorenson pointed out that "Today's issue is a deviation from a setback" to permit the house to be built within 50 feet of the centerline of Singing Wind Drive. "The drainage and septic system are a part of the development permit process," he said.

Commissioner Jerry Muench's motion to approve the deviation failed by a 3-4 vote with only Muench, Lorenson and Commissioner Henry McKee voting for the measure.

Commissioner Bill Read's motion to continue the deviation hearing until the commission reviews the development permit passed unanimously.

Commission wants more time to study plans for B-Hive parcel

George and Trudie Kohlbrener and their son, George Jr., have operated the B-Hive Trading Post on Periwinkle Way since 1973.

At that time they purchased the store and a single-family home next door which has been occupied by

Commission changes seven-year tradition

Changing meeting days to the second and fourth Tuesdays of every month will give commissioners an extra day to review staff reports on agenda items.

Sanibel's Planning Commission has met on the second and fourth Mondays of this month since the advisory board's inception in 1971.

Last week the seven-member commission — up to speed with three new members on board — unanimously agreed to change the meeting date to the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month.

The rationale: to give commissioners an extra day to review staff reports of upcoming agenda items and an opportunity to consult with staff and clarify recommendations.

Staff reports are available to commissioners the Friday before the scheduled meeting. Commission Chairman Lemart Lorenson suggested that in the future items for which staff reports were not received on Friday would not be heard on Tuesday.

The City Council today will consider a resolution adopting the rule changes proposed by the Planning Commission.

The first meeting under the new time schedule is set for Tuesday, March 19.

Last week, City Attorney David La Croix

reviewed the ground rules for the benefit of the new commissioners.

The commission's role when dealing with specific amendments is only advisory to the City Council, and decisions should be based "purely on planning concepts," he emphasized, adding the commissioners should leave the legal ramifications to the council.

Findings of fact with reasons for denial clearly stated and with sources in CLUP identified will strengthen La Croix's position when he must defend the city in court, La Croix said.

The Planning Commission has final authority in approving development permits and deviations.

In hearing applicants' appeals of denials the council can only uphold or overturn the commission's decision.

But La Croix said it would be preferable for the commission to approve a development permit with conditions rather than to deny it outright. If they cannot be met, then the conditions serve the same purpose as a denial, he explained.

CLUP has pretty vague standards, and it is difficult for the commission to tell an applicant what he can do to get his development permit approved," La Croix said.

Deviations are a little different creature, but CLUP spells out specific conditions that must be met to certify an applicant to a deviation.

No deviations can be granted to permitted uses or residential densification, he added.

Development permits can be appealed within 30 days. La Croix emphasized the need to officially record the denial as soon as the decision is made.

Hilton gets same treatment as Casa Ybel regarding paving request

A plan to pave all the driveways at the Sanibel Hilton with brick paving material was put on hold by the Planning Commission last week.

Landscaper George Sionoff told the commission the sand/shell surface on the existing driveways breaks down under heavy traffic and requires weekly watering to control the dust that tends to kill vegetation.

But the new type of brick paving, developed in Germany, is 100 percent impervious, Planning Director Bruce Rogers conceded.

Wooster Lane office complex approved

A development permit for construction of a 4,300-square-foot office complex on a parcel of land on Wooster Lane in Palm Ridge subdivision was approved by a 4-3 vote of the Planning Commission last week.

Three commissioners — Jerry Muench, Henry McKee and Mark Westall — voted against approval because they agreed with the owner that requiring the six-unit complex to hook into the Sanibel Sewer System was unreasonable.

Allen Wozniak said it would cost \$20,000 to hook into the central system's force main 300 feet away.

The lift station required will

cost \$2,000. Connection fees will add another \$2,600, he said.

Howell Davis and Associates, engineers, have estimated that the waste generated by the low intensity use of the building will be no more than that of a four-bedroom single-family home and can be accommodated by a 750-gallon septic tank system.

The Lee County Health Department has issued a permit.

Planner Ken Pfalzer said there might not be room on the site for the water retention areas and the drain field required for an on-site septic system. "It will be better to hook into the sewer system," he said.

To accomplish that, architect Ron Weaver has learned, two specific amendments to CLUP and a development permit are required.

The Kohlbreners considered their two lots as two separate parcels, but city planners viewed the lots with a

combined area of 61,250 square feet as a single parcel.

Planning Director Bruce Rogers said it was a "debatable issue" and looked to the Planning Commission for

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MUNICIPAL RECORDS

Commission wants more time to study plans for B-Hive parcel continued

an attorney.

Attorney John Schunacher, who represented the Kohlbreners when they purchased the properties, traced the history of the lots since they were broken off from a large tract in 1947.

The lots have always had separate deeds and from a legal title standpoint are separate parcels, Schunacher told the commission.

City Attorney David La Croix said Schunacher's conclusion was correct. Using CLUP's definition of a parcel as "any quantity of land ... used or developed by its owners as a unit," the Kohlbreners' property is one parcel under unified ownership as far as the

city is concerned, La Croix said.

Weaver had prepared two plans for development, both based on the assumption that the two parcels were separate entities.

Chairman Lemart Lorenson said the commission's decision should be to approve the plan that is in the best public interest.

Planner Ken Pfalzer said the house could be converted for commercial use and the lot developed separately without any specific amendments.

The staff recommended approval of a development permit to convert the house to retail commercial use subject to 10 conditions.

They included:

- There can be only one entrance drive 200 feet from the Periwinkle Way-Palm Ridge intersection and no more than 6,125 square feet of permitted floor area.

- There must be a connection with the Sanibel Sewer System.

- There must be an approved drainage plan, landscaping and vegetation buffers in conformance with screening and buffering standards for commercial uses; and

- There must be a connection with the Sanibel Sewer System.

Lorenson admitted he was "thoroughly confused" by the complexities of the various options proposed. He recommended a continuance to

give the commissioners a chance for further study.

Commissioner Bill Read's motion passed by a 7-0 vote.

Boat dock extensions gain approval

Development permits for extensions to two existing boat docks gained approval of the Planning Commission last week.

The permit will allow E. K. Rieger to extend an existing dock 20 feet into the canal at his home in Sanibel Isles and

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Boat dock extensions gain unanimous approval continued

replace a boat lift with one large enough to accommodate his new 33-foot boat. Rieger said the canal is 150 feet wide at this point and the longer dock will not interfere with navigation. Sandy Kessler, one of Rieger's neighbors, said the boat lift would block the view from her backyard pool, but the commissioners said that would be a negligible impact. James Kelly won permission to con-

struct a triangular-shaped addition to the boat dock on the canal at his home in Shell Harbor subdivision. Because of the atypical shape of the dock, the planning staff looked to the commission for guidance. Kelly said he had polled his neighbors and no one objected to the installation. Both Rieger's and Kelly's development permits were approved by a 7-0 vote of the commission.

Commissioners say no to request for apartments at Arnold's Seahorse Shops

Because the Seahorse Shops are already overdeveloped and have inadequate parking, the Planning Commission last week voted 5-1 to deny Dave Arnold's request to add two new apartments. Arnold said he wanted to put a roof over the existing garden courtyard to provide living quarters on the second floor for his two children.

He said he would consider placing the units in the city's Below Market Rate Housing program and that his children could meet the criteria. Arnold maintained there were three

lawfully existing dwelling units in the Seahorse complex when he purchased it from Joe Gault in 1980.

One of the units has been converted for use as office and storage space and is counted as part of the retail area at the shop, he said.

Arnold said he really only wanted to be able to construct the two new units and would be willing to give up the other two residential units, one of which his son currently occupies.

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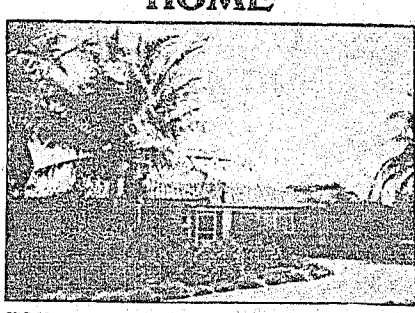
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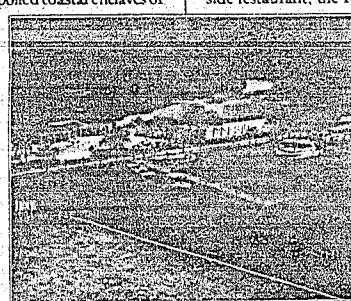
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Plans okayed for 11 single-family lots in Belle Meade subdivision

The Planning Commission last week approved without comment a development permit to subdivide eight acres in Belle Meade subdivision into 11 single-family lots.

In May 1984 a specific amendment was approved setting the density on the parcel at no more than 11 single-family lots. A condition of the amendment was that Dinnick Road would be improved as a

shell surface road with two 16-foot-wide lanes separated by a 12-foot-wide vegetated median.

The development permit reviewed last week complied with all conditions of this specific amendment, the staff reported.

Russell Eisert of Source, Inc., represented developer J.P. Carter Co. at the hearing.

The commission also approved two other develop-

ment permits to subdivide property.

A 1.06-acre parcel on Henderson Road with a 106-foot frontage on Dinkin's Bayou and bisected by a private road easement was split into two lots providing for development of a single-family residence on each lot. The property is owned by Thomas

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said it was the city's position that there is only one lawfully existing dwelling unit — the apartment where Arnold's son now lives, which formerly was occupied by Dave and Pearl

West. The staff reported that the Sealhorn complex has more than twice the development intensity permitted in the General Office and Retail com-

mercial district. The floor area ratio already exceeds 20 percent, and 10 percent is the allowable limit.

Commissioner Henry McKee's motion to deny Arnold's request passed.

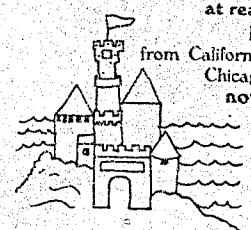


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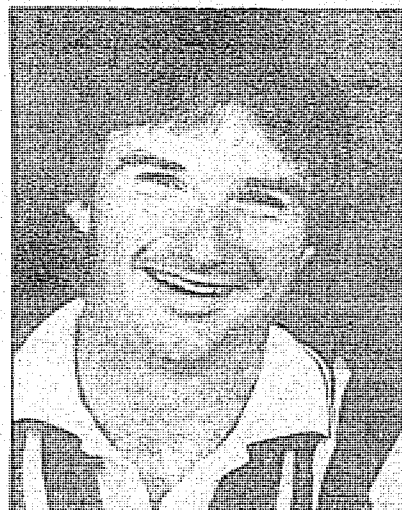
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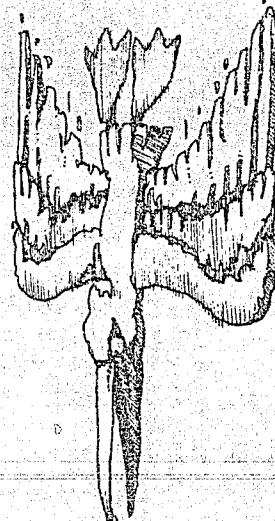
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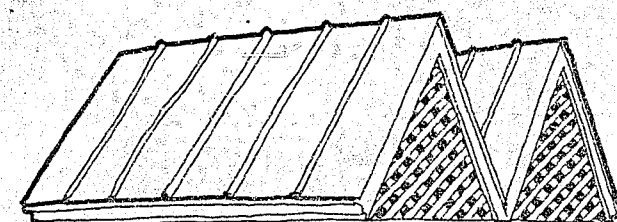
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Sanibel Gardens property owner meets denial of specific amendment

Gertha Steid wants to build a single-family home on two lots she owns in Sanibel Gardens subdivision. She filed for a specific amendment for an increase in density from one dwelling unit per 10 acres to permit the house on a 15,700-square-foot lot. 2,000 square feet is the minimum lot size required in the wetlands district.

The property, which is in the Interior Wetlands Conservation District, has various site drainage study areas, and a master plan for road and drainage improvements is required before it can be developed.

Attorney John Schumacher, representing Steid, said his client was not prepared to go to those lengths to build a small, two-bedroom retirement home.

But because the property is below three feet mean

sea level, it is a "bad place to make exceptions," Commissioner Bill Reed pointed out.

Commissioner Bill Webb said Steid's property is adjacent to the Sanibel Captiva Conservation Foundation's number one wet, where monthly checks are made on ground water level.

"This property is flooded most of the time and is no place to build a home," Webb said.

Commissioner John Seabrooke said that because there are several other properties in the same category, approving the amendment would set a precedent.

Commissioner Jerry Muenich said a "whole lot would have to be done" for the property to fulfill the drainage and road improvement requirements.

Schumacher said that if it proves impossible to develop the property, then his client would ask the

city to purchase it, adding, "She prefers to build a house."

Webb's motion to recommend council denial of the specific amendment passed by a 7-0 vote.

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Taylor Sr.

Victoria Smith owns four lots on the north side of Shell Basket Land with a density of three dwelling units. A duplex exists on one of the lots.

Smith's plan to realign this lot to provide a 16-foot side setback and to pair the four lots into two won the commission's unconditional approval.

MUNICIPAL RECORDS

Coming up at City Hall

A list of scheduled Sanibel City Council and Planning Commission meetings.

Tuesday, Feb. 18, MacKenzie Hall, 9 a.m. — Regular meeting of the City Council. 2 p.m. — First reading of an ordinance calling for a six-

month moratorium on commercial development while the City Council examines options to regulate and control commercial growth.

Thursday, Feb. 21, MacKenzie Hall, 10 a.m. — Scheduled hearings before the Code Enforcement Board.

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

Tuesday, March 5, MacKenzie Hall, 9 a.m. — Regular meeting of the City Council.

Obituary

Hunter Bryant

Hunter Bryant Sr. of Fort Myers died Saturday, Feb. 16, 1983, in Fort Myers Community Hospital. He was born on Captiva 27 years ago.

Bryant is survived by his wife, Thelma of Fort Myers; four sons, Winston of Bonita Springs, Hunter Jr. of Mesquite, Texas, Jerry and Paul, both of Fort Myers; two daughters, Bonnie Shackleford of Fayetteville, N.C., and Betty Lee Blum of North Fort Myers; one sister, one brother, 26 grandchildren, 30 great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. this Wednesday, Feb. 20, at Leo Engelhardt Funeral Home in Fort Myers. Interment will follow in Leo Memorial Park, Lehigh Acres.

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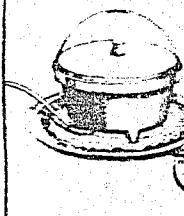
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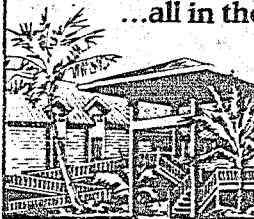


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BUSINESS NEWS

By Scott Martell

Business briefs

Interesting bits from near and far

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

Sanibel

In a sense, Sanibel has a White House connection — especially after Donald Regan switched from secretary of the treasury to chief of staff of Ronald Reagan's White House. Perhaps a forgotten fact — Regan was once boss at Merrill Lynch. And now Merrill Lynch has bought Newton Associates, a real estate firm with offices here on Sanibel.

Lee County

The population of Lee County reached 253,300 in October 1984 — up 25.8 percent from the 1980 census. If growth in the 1980s continues as expected, Lee County's population will reach 322,110 by the time of the 1990 census, an increase of 57.9 percent during the decade. (From Fort Myer's Economist, courtesy of First National Bank.)

Florida

Florida appears to be maintaining its strength as one of the top high-tech states. With a net growth rate of 12.4 percent and a total of 373 companies, Florida maintained its 1981 place ranking among U.S. states in the number of electronics and information technology companies. The top high-tech state is still California, which has four times the high-tech companies of Massachusetts, ranked second. (From the Miami Herald.)

United States

Atari hopes to pull itself out of the red, hopefully by summer's end, with the introduction of three new models of home computers. The cheapest of the new Ataris will have 128K memory and will sell for \$880, with color monitor and disc drive. A similar Macintosh model would cost about \$1,000 more. (From Fortune magazine.)

To stem the illegal tide of advance technology flowing to the Soviet Union, the Reagan Administration has lengthened the list of items restricted for sale abroad — a list that has bloated to nearly 300,000 items. (From Fortune magazine.)

There are now 214 independent television stations in America. But the once booming entrepreneurial venture is cooling off. The high number of such stations is causing more intense competition, driving up prices for series. And the number of series available is in fact very low. The program drought is a function of the high casualty rate of new network shows. Unless a show lasts at least three years, there are not enough episodes to interest local stations. (From BusinessWeek.)

The World

Vodka sales in Brazil, which have doubled since 1979, are expected to increase another 16 percent in 1985, with Smirnoff leading 50 domestic and imported brands in the Brazilian liquor industry's fastest-growing market. (From World Press Review.)

Mexico's national oil company, Pemex, is cutting production by 6 percent — at a monthly loss of \$81 million in exports — in cooperation with OPEC efforts to stabilize world prices. Pemex fears that either a new price war or a drop in demand from its leading customer, the United States, could reduce 1983 earnings. (From World Press Review.)

Trading company owner's lawsuit against South Seas Plantation dismissed

The saying "If you can't lick 'em, join 'em," has an ironic twist, considering Steve Stephanides' ongoing battle with South Seas Plantation. Early last week Stephanides, who owns the Captiva Trading Company in the Plantation View Shopping Center across from the entrance to South Seas, had his "restraint of trade" lawsuit against South Seas dismissed without a hearing.

Two days later he announced he was going into the interval ownership business — on private property — in the middle of South Seas.

Stephanides had sued the plantation for restraint of trade after he was denied access to the private resort to deliver groceries to South Seas guests. He is allowed to deliver goods to resort owners, however.

"I suppose guests can come on to the store, but why shouldn't they be able to take advantage of my free delivery? Are they

second class citizens at South Seas?" Stephanides queried.

He added that he will appeal the judge's decision to dismiss the case. He expects the case will go in front of another judge who is familiar with this kind of case.

"Sure, it's costing me a bundle. But I won't back down," he said last week. "They (South Seas) cannot restrain trade here."

Meanwhile, Stephanides' offer has been accepted to purchase the Hancher property — private property nestled in the midst of the Captiva resort. The parcel is one full, golf-front acre that contains two duplexes.

"I was looking to buy a home up there for myself — not a South Seas unit of course, but a private home," Stephanides said.

"A realtor approached me and asked if I'd be interested in this piece of property. I saw it and soon I was brainstorming about the possibilities of turning it into interval ownership units," Stephanides said. The Hancher property is right next to South Seas Plantation Beach Club — 22 interval ownership

condominiums.

"I'm certainly not doing this in spite. I'm a businessman and this offers great potential," Stephanides said.

Stephanides is currently investigating what he can do with the property. He said he would like to level the existing duplexes and build from the ground up. He is also investigating how many units he could build. He said South Seas has up to 22 units an acre. Stephanides said he would plan for seven or eight instead.

If these plans do not prove feasible, Stephanides said, he will renovate the existing buildings and develop a four-unit interval complex.

Each plan would entail building a tennis court and a swimming pool.

"I believe in interval ownership when it involves something other than just a unit somewhere," he said. "Here we are offering Sanibel and Captiva — and they are in great demand. I wouldn't be crazy about going into the interval market anywhere else."

Tilley opens interior design firm

Sanibel resident Camille Tilley, ASID,



Camille Tilley

has opened her own contract interior design firm in Fort Myers. Tilley, a professional member of the American Society of Interior Designers, plans to serve developers, architects, property managers and their clients in the area.

Prior to moving to Sanibel she owned her own design firm in Michigan for 16 years, designing professional

offices, medical suites and custom homes.

Tilley has been involved for the past three years designing interiors in Naples, Marco Island and Sanibel. She worked as director of design for a local company and has worked on Designer Showcase homes in Naples and Fort Myers. She most recently completed the Naples office of Lincoln First Trust Company of

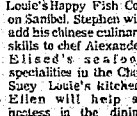
Florida.

Tilley attended Parsons School of Design in New York City and the Center for Creative Studies, Detroit, Mich.

Her husband, Tom, is a partner in Sanibel Island Properties. Her son, Tom, attends Designer's School, and her daughter, Courtney, attends Bishop Verot High School.

Husband-and-wife team joins Chop Suey Louie's

Stephen and Ellen Lai have joined Chop Suey Louie's Happy Fish Co. on Sanibel. Stephen will add his Chinese culinary skills to chef Alexander Blied's seafood specialties in the Chop Suey Louie's kitchen. Ellen will help as



Stephen Lai

in the dining room.

The Lai's recently moved to Sanibel from Trinidad. Stephen's family is from Hong Kong and Ellen's family is from Malaysia. Stephen, 43, was born in Trinidad, and has spent the past 12 years in the restaurant field. His first eight years in the food business were spent with fast food franchises. Five years ago he established his own Chinese cuisine restaurant that specialized in Cantonese food. He still owns this restaurant.

He brings his Cantonese expertise to Chop Suey Louie's and hopes to develop a menu with several other styles of Chinese food, including Szechuan.

Evans joins staff of Maureen's Travel

Island resident, Hank Evans has joined the staff of Maureen's



Hank Evans

Travel, Inc.

Evans brings to the agency nine years of travel experience. Most recently she was manager of Americana Travel Center in Northfield, Ill., on the North Shore of Chicago.

Evans' travels have taken her many places, including Europe, the Orient, China, the South Pacific and Hawaii. She has also traveled extensively within the continental United States.

City pledges support for pre-school playground

By Scott Martell

Last week the City Council unanimously and enthusiastically threw its support behind some of the councilmen's youngest constituents — the Island's children.

With this political and financial muscle behind the kids, of which there are about 200 under six years old, the children are "guaranteed" a public pre-school playground adjacent to Sanibel Elementary School.

The playground could be ordered and put up by Easter, according to Kathy Mayeron, one of the parents who started the grassroots effort last summer to bring a public pre-school playground to

Sanibel.

Mayeron ventured to council chambers last week with letters of approval for the playground from the Lee County Recreation Department and the Lee County School Board.

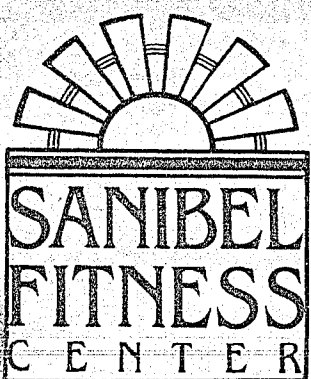
She also told council that the grassroots effort had already raised more than \$1,000 for the project. The playground will cost \$6,250 plus an additional \$3,000 for everything from fencing to landscaping. She asked council to help funnel contributions through the city so that purchase of the equipment could be tax exempt.

The council guaranteed the project by agreeing to pay up to \$4,000 for the playground if contributions do not cover the entire cost.

With this support, the parents' group will immediately order the Big Toys Schoolyard playground with eight play stations that include everything from a tire swing to a wide slide.

The group is now beginning a final fund-raising attempt for the playground. Those interested in becoming part of the financial effort are encouraged to send checks to: The City of Sanibel Playground Fund, Drawer Q, Sanibel, FL 33957.

Once the equipment is ordered it must be paid in full in 90 days.



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

A Sanibel resident told police she had lost a 1 1/2 carat diamond pendant on a gold chain somewhere on the beach between East Gulf Drive and North Street Friday morning, Feb. 9. The diamond and chain were valued at \$2,900.

A Cape Coral man reported someone had stolen the front wheel of his bicycle from where he had left it in the Lighthouse beach parking area Friday evening, Feb. 9. The man said he had taken the bike apart to take it home and had left the front wheel resting against a tree. It was valued at \$30.

A purse containing \$29 in cash was reported stolen from the hood of a Nashville, Tenn., woman's car that was parked at the Chevron Station on Periwinkle Way Monday morning, Feb. 11. The woman told police she left the purse on the car when she went to the soda machine.

Police arrested a Sanibel man for driving under the influence after they stopped him on Causeway Road near the Sanibel Captiva Chamber of Commerce around 1:30 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 12. Charles Campbell, 30, of 1193 Schomper place, was taken to the Lee County Jail.

A Sanibel man was cited for driving too fast for conditions after a one-car accident on Sandcastle Road just

before 2 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 12. Robert Huffman, 31, of 1599 Sandcastle Road, reportedly lost control of his car in a curve.

A Sanibel man was arrested for driving under the influence after police stopped him on Sanibel Captiva Road just before 12:30 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 14. Cecil Hess Jr., 37, was taken to Lee County Jail.

A Fort Myers man reported two ceiling fans and a microwave oven had been taken from a home under construction on Coquina Drive Wednesday morning, Feb. 13. Value of the missing items was placed at \$750.

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Police beat continued

Police investigated an attempted break-in at a home in Gumbo Limbo subdivision Thursday afternoon, Feb. 14. A back door screen had been cut near the door handle. No entry was gained.

Two tires were slashed on a car that was parked at the American Legion post on Sanibel Captiva Road Thursday evening, Feb. 14. Damage was estimated at \$80.

Police issued four tickets for drivers for speeding on Sanibel, two for running a stop sign, two for driving without a license and one for driving on the bike path during the week that ended Friday morning, Feb. 15.

Today at City Hall

SANIBEL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
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FEB. 17, 1985
AGENDA

- 8 a.m.
 1. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance (except)
 2. Approval of Minutes of 1/15/85
 3. Planning Commission report
 4. City Attorney's report
 5. Monthly litigation report
 6. Memorandum re: Ferry Landing dock
 7. A resolution amending the rules of procedure for the Planning Commission adopted by resolution No. 1143 and providing an effective date.
 8. Memorandum re: Intensity of use ordinance
 9. Memorandum re: Bay Drive vacation referendum petition
 10. Public Comments and Inquiries
 11. City Manager's Report
 - a) Fiscal year audit presentation by Coopers and Lybrand.

- b) Request for variance to Graphics Corporation (Section 15.27 Planning's Restaurant, 2240 Main Street Plaza)
- c) Request for variance to Graphics for change of sign for 1511 Principally Murphy Center, 1511 Periwinkle Way.
- d) Request for exemption from provisions of Ordinance 1453 (Power Pole) by G. Francis and Dona Doherty, 127 Periwinkle Way.
- e) Recommendation regarding implementation of an aggressive waterfront recreation program.
- f) Recommendation regarding the removal of inoperable 1990 requirement on bicycles.
- g) Report regarding actual operation of Special Events Ordinance.
- h) Request for increase in allowable number of special event permits for Sanibel Community Association.
- i) Report regarding operation of Airline Management Program.
- j) Recommendation regarding Volunteer Week, April 21 to 27, 1985.
- k) Report regarding Beach Road cul-de-sac.
- l) Report regarding "yield for left turn" signs on Paradise Way.
- m) Discussion of possible alternatives regarding Corp of Engineers proposed closing of

- n) Request for variance to Graphics Corporation (Section 15.27 Planning's Restaurant, 2240 Main Street Plaza)
- o) Approval of development permit conditions and a resolution accepting a deed for right of way from Terlan-Care Town Joint Venture, authorizing the City attorney to record same on the public records of Lee County, Fla., and providing an effective date.
- p) Approval of Planning Commission denial of consideration of requests for relief from State of Growth Allocation terminations.
- q) Dennis Goshman, 293 West Gulf Drive.
- r) Sweet Island Beach Club by The Adams or Jack Grossman.
- s) Public hearing and second reading of an ordinance relating to a special election to determine if City of Sanibel Ordinance No. 81 shall become effective, directing publication and setting the date of the election, providing for conduct and swearing, and providing an effective date, 11/19/84.
- t) A resolution adopting amended vacation standards for the City of Sanibel in accordance with Section 14.01 of the Sanibel Code of Ordinances.

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Today at City Hall from page 17A

of once): providing an effective date.

11. Mayor and councilman's report on ACCESS TO LUNCH

11:30 a.m.

12. Public hearing and second reading of an Ordinance specifically amending the Comprehensive Land Use Plan, Sections 2.2.1: Residential Districts, 2.2.2: Commercial Districts, 2.2.3: Industrial Districts, and 2.2.4: Special Districts, to provide for a minimum of one (1) restaurant, cafe, or dining establishment within the boundaries of each of the following districts:

13. Continuation of public hearing and second reading of an Ordinance specifically amending the Comprehensive Land Use Plan, Section 3.2.1: residential densities, and part 3.4: permitted uses, Section 3.4.2: allowed uses, to permit accessory development in residential districts, Section 3.4.2: allowed uses, to permit multi-family residential use, for lots 108, 109 and 110, Block 2 of Shell Harbor subdivision, first addition, situated at the northeast corner of the intersection of Lindgren Boulevard and East Gulf Drive in Section 27, Township 46 South, Range 23 East, as submitted by Coleman and Coleman, Attorneys, for David Hartman, providing for conflict and severance, and providing an effective date, 1:10 p.m.

14. Continuation of public hearing and second reading of an Ordinance specifically amending the Comprehensive Land Use Plan, Sections 2.2.4: Development Intensity in Commercial Districts, 2.2.7: Coverage and Clearance in Commercial Districts, 2.2.8: Conditional Uses in Commercial Districts, 2.2.9: Commercial Yard Requirements, and 2.2.16: Landfill Evolving Uses, to permit the development of a restaurant at Dr. Munchies Deli/Caterer, located in Punta Viejo Plaza at 259 Periwinkle Way, Section 21, Township 46 South, Range 23 East, as submitted by Ken Stegler, providing for conflict and severance, and providing an effective date, 1:16 p.m.

15. Continuation of public hearing and first reading of an Ordinance specifically amending the Comprehensive Land Use Plan, Sections 2.2.4: Development Intensity in Commercial Districts, 2.2.7: Coverage and Clearance in Commercial Districts, 2.2.8: Conditional Uses in Commercial Districts, 2.2.9: Commercial Yard Requirements, and 2.2.16: Landfill Evolving Uses, to permit the development of a restaurant at Dr. Munchies Deli/Caterer, located in Punta Viejo Plaza at 259 Periwinkle Way, Section 21, Township 46 South, Range 23 East, as submitted by Ken Stegler, providing for conflict and severance, and providing an effective date, 1:16 p.m.

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17. Public comment and inquiries...

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COMMENTARY

Visitor pens 'random thoughts' from page 5A

Florida Power and Light — As a very minor stockholder I say, "O! vch!" How dumb can management and public relations be? The bad press concerning the maniacs certainly is more costly than the differential in generator efficiencies. Just the waste of management time in more or less apologizing is appalling.

The concept of planning on heating the water without running the generator in order to make up for the original goof, I will leave to a more (second half) M.E. student.

Sincerely,
Henry J. Campbell, Jr.
Hempstead, N.Y.

COMMENTARY

College student resents attitude encountered when seeking spring break accommodations

(from page 5A)

to the west coast of Florida, in particular Sanibel Island.

So it does not seem surprising that this year, as a college junior looking for a quiet place to get away from academics, that my first consideration was a spring break in the Sanibel-Captiva area.

However, in making arrangements for my vacation I had a particularly negative experience which I feel has drastically altered my regard for this community.

On Feb. 7, 1985, I had occasion to call the Parrot's Nest, an establishment suggested to me by the Sanibel-Captiva Chamber of Commerce in a conversation in which I inquired about inexpensive to moderately priced lodging which might be available the week of March 11-18.

In dealing with the Parrot's Nest I encountered a receptionist who informed me that the management of the establishment looked unfavorably upon accepting college-age students as guests, feeling that they are loud and disruptive.

I then additionally informed the clerk that my party would be no larger than four, perhaps as small as two, and that all members would be female. What I received in response was recollection of her days as a col-

lege student, something that ran to the effect of, "I know what it was like when I was in school." I resent the unweeping generalization that all college students live to party and will undoubtedly wreak havoc and create disturbance wherever they go.

My permanent residence is also a resort area, and I must admit that I have never encountered nor hopefully ever treated tourists in my hometown of Virginia Beach with such a negative attitude or unwilling assistance. Tourists — whether they consist of college students — contribute revenue to the community and meaningfully increase the standard of living, improve the level of education and lower taxes.

But more than that I take pride in the fact that people are able to feel welcome when they arrive on vacation in Virginia Beach and leave with memories and stories that keep them coming back year after year.

I'm sorry to say that instead of the smell of saltwater, the sight of beautiful Florida beaches and the memories of a wonderful vacation on Sanibel, all I'm left with is a bad taste in my mouth.

Julie McKenzie
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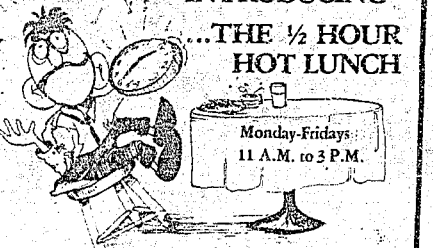
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Sanibel City Council will consider moratorium on commercial development from page 1

moratorium of up to six months on issuance of development permits for commercial development. The first reading of the ordinance will be held at today's council meeting.

A final hearing could take place at a special council meeting set for 9 a.m. Wednesday, March 8.

After reviewing the proposed ordinance last week, the Planning Commission unanimously recommended its adoption. Commissioners maintained such a moratorium would give the city time to study options to curb tourist-oriented commercial development.

The proposed moratorium would not apply to (1) substitutions of one business for another on the same site;

(2) improvements to land or structures which do not add floor space or increase intensity of use; (3) reconstruction such as decrease in size and changes in external appearance; (4) demolition of structures or; (5) development of commercial properties solely for residential use.

Development permits approved before the moratorium goes into effect will be valid even if building permits have not been issued.

The council also decided that the 1981 Barton-Aschman study on commercial development should be updated with emphasis on the outlook at build-out and a revision of the commercial inventory.

Planning Director Bruce Rogers

emphasized the importance of council agreement on what the problem really is and the goals the city wants to achieve.

Rogers said he perceived a consensus that the "appearance of the Periwinkle corridor" is one of the prime concerns.

"If you want to restrict typical tourist/beach business development, we can adopt regulations to control that," Rogers told the council.

In a memorandum to the council he listed 27 options for regulating commercial development.

Commercial development problems fall into one or more of five categories, he said: amount, rate, type, location and appearance. Regulations can be

set up to influence each, he added. Councilman Louise Johnson said she favored controlling types of businesses permitted.

Mayor Fred Valtin said it must be determined how much commercial land remains to be developed on Sanibel.

"On Periwinkle Way there appears to be only four more major tracts: Sanibel Sewer polishing ponds, the former Buntrock property just west of St. Michael's Episcopal Church, Cipriani's property and the Nave tract at the corner of Periwinkle Way and Tarpon Bay Road," he said.

Planner Ken Pfalter said that about

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one-sixth of the total commercial land on Periwinkle remains undeveloped, while island-wide one-quarter to one-third of the total commercial land is still vacant.

New commercial construction during the last year includes expansions at Periwinkle Place shopping center and Palm Ridge Place, and the Wil's Landing and Tree Tops complexes.

Two other commercial projects approved but not yet under construction are John VanHeemst's shopping center on Tarpon Bay Road across from the post office, and Periwinkle Gardens just east of Photo Sanibel on Periwinkle Way.

John Knipf, representing the Committee of the Islands, told the council

COTI is concerned about the commercial condominium type ownership that appears to be a trend.

Appearance is important, he said, and it seems vegetation buffering is not being done in conformance with commercial standards.

He said COTI recommends imposition of the six-month moratorium to give the city time to consider the options to control the extent of commercial growth.

"The nature of life on the Islands is changing, Knipf said. "It would be a sell-out for the council not to look at the commercial growth and find the problem."

Valtin reminded him that the council had initiated the special workshops to

look into the proliferation of commercial development, to identify the problem and find solutions.

Though the council had reiterated its policy to keep Sanibel from becoming a shopping destination, no one is sure there is still "a large reservoir of vacant land, and a flood gate should be placed on growth by adopting a state of development."

Realtor Ralph Call told the council he was not satisfied that the problem warranted a moratorium.

"The last commercial moratorium lasted 18 months and caused a lot of hardship," he said. "I feel it's unwise to create another artificial situation."

Call said his proposed commercial project is still in the planning stages, and if the ban is approved he will not be able to obtain a development per-

mit for another six months.

"It will stop other people who are not yet in the application stage," he said.

Island resident Paul Howe said there is still "a large reservoir of vacant land, and a flood gate should be placed on growth by adopting a state of development."

Howe, as did others, viewed the tremendous increase in traffic on Periwinkle Way as the result of the rapid pace of commercial development.

But Rogers pointed out that regardless of what land use develops on Periwinkle Way, traffic there will

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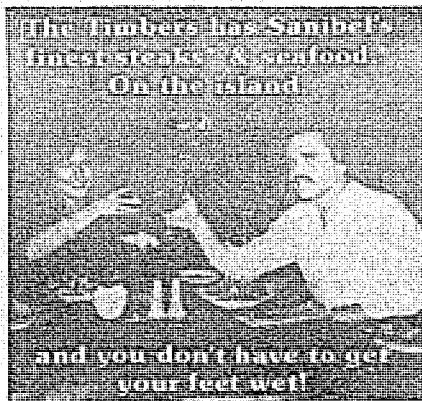
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Five voters form committee to push for reconsideration of bridge vacation

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The council was scheduled to take final action today on the ordinance setting March 26 as the date of the referendum on vacation of the Bay Drive bridge.

City Attorney David La Croix pointed out in a memorandum to the council that if the referendum procedure in the city charter is followed and enough voters signatures are obtained by the Petitioners Committee within the established time period, a second referendum election would be required at some time after the election now being scheduled.

"I would feel comfortable," he advised the council, "with a decision on the part of the city that no petition be issued and that the city and the supervisor of elections not be put through the time and expense of verifying a petition's signatures and holding a duplicate election after one has already been provided."

This is a policy decision, however, and should be made by the City Council, he added.

In effect, he explained, "This is simply a way of dispensing with the formalities provided by the charter, waiving the requirements for verified petition signatures and according to the wishes of the Petitioners Committee."

Burton and Norma Leas were members of the citizens Petitioners Committee in 1982 that forced the city to put to a referendum the issue of turning over ownership of 300 feet of Bay Drive and a wooden bridge to private ownership.

On Sept. 7, 1982, Sanibel residents voted 549-495 in favor of the city retaining ownership of Bay Drive and the wooden bridge that provided access only to Larry and Sheila Sacil's bayfront home.

Currently the property is owned by Thomas Cross. He has expressed a willingness to accept the bridge and the responsibility for its maintenance.

Under public ownership the narrow wooden structure would have to be replaced by a concrete span built to state standards at a cost of \$42,800.

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continue to increase. "Commercial or other uses on Periwinkle Way generate only a small percentage of the total traffic volume," he said.

Falzer pointed out that regardless of the rate of growth, the balance between commercial and residential

development at build-out will be basically the same as it is today.

"There is currently one-third to one-quarter of the total of commercial left to develop and one-third to one-quarter of the total cap of dwelling units left to be built," he said.

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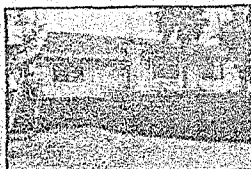
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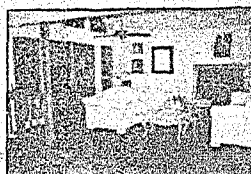
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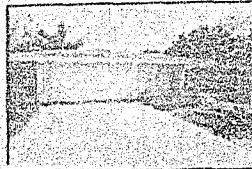
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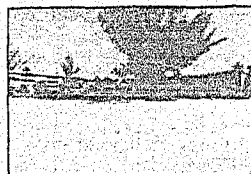


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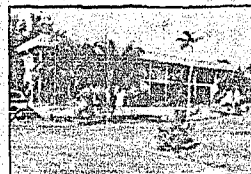
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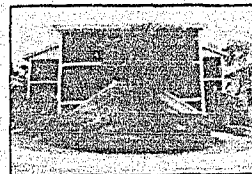
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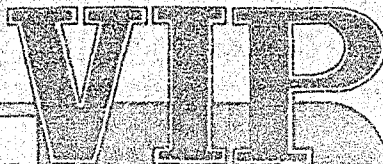
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Section B

For a glimpse of the past...

By Florence Edwards

"Fascinating," "interesting," "very well done," are some of the words visitors have used to describe the Island Historical Museum on Dunedin Road.

Tucked away on a scenic lapse across from City Hall, in a bit of old Scotch—Irish and it peeps away from the traffic, tanks and contraptions of Palm Ridge Road.

The house was donated by the Macdonald family and moved to this site from its original location on Portwick Way in 1921. Sir Robert Macdonald, "The Old" Macdonald, would have enjoyed the new neighborhood when there are many more birds than people.

The house was built by Sam Waldron for W. D. Scott in 1818. It is of typical "Scottish" architecture, constructed throughout of hard Florida pine and supported off the ground by concrete pillars so that sea water can run under it during high tides. It remains exactly as it was built but for a modernized kitchen. A porch porch could not be moved with the house and an office has replaced it.

Scottish visitors are struck by the beautiful hand-hewn woodwork, solid stone with beamed chimneys and large windows that offer a slightly distorted view of City Hall through old glass.

The house is well equipped to stay cooler than warm because of air conditioning equipment. Part of the house was built off during winter and people used for heat that is usually a good means for when cook stove and portable kitchen heater.

Charles Macdonald bought the house in 1822. He came to Dunedin in 1826 with his partner, James and Thomas Macdonald, after the Big Freeze destroyed their citrus grove in West Apopka, Fla. The family

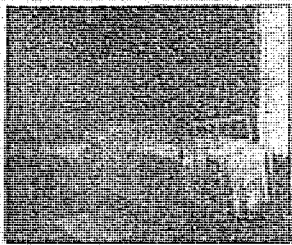


A black and white photograph of a man, likely a historical figure, wearing a dark coat and a hat, standing in front of a building.

visited the historic home of the Macdonald family, who homesteaded the land in 1824.

Charles had a short time later and was buried beside Pastor Wilson on Portwick Way. Eventually, James Macdonald Henry Macdonald, the lighthouse keeper who was a widower with seven children.

Don't complain when it's too cold for the beach. Instead, visit the Island Historical Museum adjacent to Dunedin City Hall on Dunedin Road. The museum is free to the public from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. every Thursday and Saturday. This article begins historian Florence Edwards' series about Island history.



A black and white photograph of a man, likely a historical figure, sitting at a desk or table, possibly reading or writing.

Macdonald gave up the lighthouse, selling the shore with it, and moving to the city, Florida. He served as assistant lighthouse keeper, a mailman, and a fireman during 1847. The family continued to live in Dunedin.

Edward Macdonald, the lighthouse keeper who was a widower with seven children.

Next week: The story of two historical Dunedin houses that served on the island in places as a large and more than one order house.



Harriet Wilson reads about the history and its contents during her regular hours of duty there.



The museum's main room is filled with interesting artifacts from clothes to the type photographs and an antique piano. Photos by Sam Anderson.



Each Slagle, right, president of the Sanibel/Captiva History Club, presents Congressman Connie Mack III with a plaque and a history hat in honor of Mack's appearance at the club's breakfast meeting last Friday.

Mack's address to the 100-member audience was built around the state of the Union address that indicated the country is on the verge of a new and American renaissance.

Handing out and presenting to reduce the sky-rocketing deficit and a tax reform policy that would make many poverty level taxpayers of the tax roles were the major points Mack addressed as ways to ensure a successful future for the country.

Mack's comments were greeted with a standing ovation from the 131 historians and guests present.

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ARTS ON THE ISLANDS

By Julie Niedenfuer

Contemporary painter maintains arts should keep up with the times

Visitors to the G. David Thompson Memorial Gallery this season have found the walls covered with artwork of a less conventional variety than that often found in Island galleries.

When the gallery went from exhibiting wildlife and landscape paintings to being a showcase for works of modern artists, it was an effort on the part of gallery owners to inject more of the contemporary style into the local art vein.

Continuing that trend is a new exhibit of modern works by part-time Sanibel resident Mary Keogh. The show will hang at the gallery Feb. 24 through March 15.

Keogh is a painter who subscribes to the notion that art should have a larger purpose than just occupying wall space. While some literal painting is very good, she admits, a good deal of it "is bar-ing!"

"Abstract involves the viewer. You take part in the painting; you can make out of it what you want," she believes, in spite of the commonly held opinion that some modern art looks like it was "done by a 2-year-old."

"Abstract art is an acquired taste — like modern music. Once you understand what it's all about you can learn to like it," she contends. After a pause she smiles and says, "I obviously don't understand modern music."

After receiving a bachelor's degree in fine arts from Downer College in Milwaukee, Wis., Keogh continued her studies at Parsons School of Design in New York and later with Sylvia Curless at the Joslyn Art Museum in Omaha, Neb., and Gerry Squarey's Workshop in Falmouth, Mass.

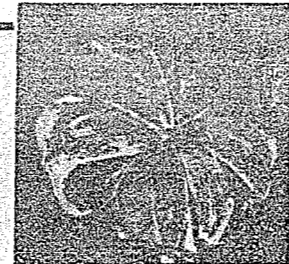
She has exhibited her work in numerous juried shows, taking best of show in a Muscatine, Iowa, competition in 1984. She has exhibited in Nebraska and Wisconsin for many years, and the upcoming Sanibel show is the first she's held in Florida.

Keogh says her forte used to be impressionist painting. "Everyone loves impressionism because it's so romantic. It's from a time when things weren't so commercialized and mechanized."

"But we don't live in these kinds of times now — it's a tougher world we live in," she says.

And artwork, she maintains, should be contemporary with the times.

The pendulum swung wide in the opposite direction, she says, after she became



16 of Keogh's acrylic and oil works will be on exhibit at the G. David Thompson Memorial Gallery Feb. 24 through March 15. Photos by Julie Niedenfuer.

"saturated" with her own impressionist paintings and then found herself rendering abstract works.

Her recent works are of everyday, familiar objects grossly exaggerated in size. Familiar flowers, fruits and vegetables look as though they truly were grown in the valley of the jolly green giant. One of the many large canvases that hang throughout her home, for instance, shows a huge onion on a black background; another is of peapods of monumental proportions.

"About a year ago I started doing the big stuff," she says, explaining how one day she set out to do a still life of some onions. To her

"It happens every time. If I get really emotional with something, something good comes out of it."

Abstract artist
Mary Keogh

great aggravation, she could not achieve the results she wanted.

So she started reworking the oils with exaggerated brush strokes. The giant vegetable was born — and she liked it.

"It happens every time," she says. "If I get really emotional with something, something good comes out of it."

When it comes to the use of color, Mary is anything but conservative. "I'm in love with red," she says. The fiery crimson that leap from her works prove the remark is indeed an understatement.

Keogh says she paints differently when she is in Florida, however, than in her native Nebraska, because of the difference in sunlight.

"The colors here are brighter, but not as contrasty as out west," she believes. "Here there is more mist from the water, and it makes the colors more pastel."

But relocating is not the sole reason her work took on a new look.

"Painters change all the time. Now I'm interested in new things. I like what I'm doing right now."

She relates an anecdote about a captive gorilla that paints: When people see the gorilla's work without knowing its origin, they often believe it is the work of a famous abstract artist.

She pauses, then says, "If there's a point to this story it's that abstract art is fun, and people should look at it in a light-hearted way."



Mary Keogh

Second production set for the new season at Pirate Playhouse

Director D.C. Anderson and actress Fran Levy join the Pirate Playhouse this week as rehearsals begin for the inaugural winter season's second production, "Round and Round the Garden."

This play, part of the Norman Conquests trilogy by British playwright Alan Ayckbourn, is a comedy that deals with one man's sexual entanglements with three different women. The show opens March 3 and will run every Wednesday through Sunday through March 21.

Anderson joins the playhouse family after a three-year retirement from the theater; he has been involved with more than 200 productions, both professional and academic, in this 25-year career. He studied at Ohio State University, the Goodman Theatre and the Chicago Art Institute.

His professional acting and directing experience has spanned the entire country and he has held a number of academic positions in drama as well, including the University of Maryland, Clarion College, Ohio State University and Boston University. He was also the producer and director of his own theater, Hutchinson Summer Theatre, in Raymond, N.H.

Levy joins the cast after her recent performances with The Company on Sanibel and Captiva. She originated the idea for and founded The Company in 1980 and put together the reading group's first script. She has played an array of roles in her home city, Louisville, Ky., and won best actress awards for her portrayal of Mary Todd in "The Last of Mrs. Lincoln" and for Nettie in "The Subject Was Roses." Other roles include Wendy in "Peter Pan," Ann Sullivan in "The Miracle Worker" and Joan of Arc in "The Lark."

Levy makes her home on Sanibel. She and her husband own and operate the Tree Tops Books and More Store in Periwinkle Place.

The remainder of the acting company for "Round and Round the Garden" includes Carrie Lund, Robert Toperzer, Daniel DeRae, Steve Jehring and Sharon Fallon, currently appearing in "Bullshot Crummond."

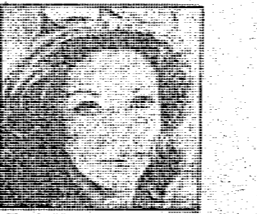
Stage manager and sound designer for "Round and Round the Garden" are Islanders June Koc and Kacey Lewis.

"Bullshot" can be seen at 8 p.m. Wednesday through Sunday through March 3. Tickets are still available for the remainder of the run and can be reserved by calling the playhouse, 472-0006.

Playhouse managers are looking for people interested in helping man the box office and front of the house during the performances. If you are interested in volunteering a few hours of the week to the Pirate Playhouse, please call the above number.

New member joins dramatic reading group

This season when the Barrier Island Group for the Arts plays host to the Island's own "The Company," a new member will be part of the trio. Marsha Wagner will join Charlotte Heimann and Robert



Marsha Wagner

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New member joins dramatic reading group continued

Murphy in the premiere performance of "...shoes and slugs and sealing wax..."

Company member Fran Levy will be appearing in the upcoming Pirate Playhouse production of "Round and Round the Garden." At the end of the play's run, she will rejoin the dramatic reading group.

Wagner brings to The Company an outstanding background in theater. Her Broadway performances include "Pajama Game," "Pipe Dreams" with Helen Trubel, "Wild Cat" with Lucille Ball.

She performed in summer stock and performed on TV for three years on the Ed Sullivan Show, Kraft Parade, the Perry Como Show and the Pat Boone Show. She has performed internationally with the New York City Ballet Company and held the position

of assistant director and choreographer at the Jones Beach Theater on Long Island and at Radio City Music Hall.

Born in Germany, Wagner emigrated to the United States with her family prior to World War II. Loving dance even as a small child, she proceeded to study at the Performing Arts High School in New York, Pace University and the Scholarship Ballet Arts at Carnegie Hall.

Wagner has been married to choreographer Frank Wagner for 25 years, and they have a daughter, Lisa. Marsha divides her days on Sanibel between encouraging the supporting arts on the islands and working with Frank at their ice cream boutique, Sweet Temptations, at Palm Ridge Plaza.

Her first performance with The Company will be March 10 at the Island Cinema.

Basketry classes held at Pirate Playhouse

Through March 14 Anita Amodeo will instruct basketry classes on the grounds of the Pirate Playhouse every Tuesday and Thursday, Feb. 19. Amodeo will show students how to make a snake basket. This



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Jazz artists will appear at Island Theatre and Entertainment Centre

Jazz/pop vocalist Marlene Arden will appear in concert with Dennis Hill and the ENC Jazz Ensemble at 8:29 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 24, and Monday, Feb. 25, at the Island Theatre and Entertainment Center at Billy's Shopping Center.

Arden was born "on the road" while her father, Ben Arden, toured with his band. Her mother, Sylvia, is a virtuoso violinist.

The first jazz-pop vocal major to be degree by the American Conservatory of Music, Arden is now on the faculty of Sherwood Music School in Chicago, where she teaches pop voice and performance techniques.

She started singing professionally at 18 and since has played the Blue Box and the Empire Room in

Chicago and Casa Montego in Montego Bay and numerous other theaters and hotels.

Arden has written music and lyrics to more than 30 songs and has started a music service of her own material. One of her songs has been recorded by Walter Jackson, and she has been commissioned by Sony Corporation of America to write and sing material for their demonstration tapes. Her first album will be released this spring.

For more information about this concert call the theater, 472-1791.

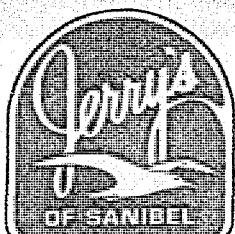
New show opens at Sanibel Gallery

"Embossings in Watercolor" by Nancy Hoover, the new show at the Sanibel Gallery in the heart of the Island Shopping Center, opens this Thursday, Feb. 21, and will hang at the gallery through Feb. 28.

Second film in BIG Arts series takes viewers into the studio

The second film in the Barrier Island Group for the Arts series of four this season is "The Artist's Studio" narrated by the artist, Roy Lichtenstein. The film will be shown at 8 p.m. next Wednesday, Feb. 27, at the Artist's Studio" narrated by the artist, Roy Lichtenstein. The film will be shown at 8 p.m. next Wednesday, Feb. 27, at the

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Orlando photographer Carolyn Coats collects things that cannot be catalogued and cased: bits of wisdom. She's recently put them all together in a book, "Things Your Mother Always Told You, But You Didn't Want To Hear," and will be on the Islands Feb. 23 to autograph it.

The idea for the book came about after Coats' oldest child left home. Each week while raising her four daughters, she attached a phrase, an adage of

words to live by, to the refrigerator door with hopes her children would glean something useful from the sayings. Often the phrases were things Carolyn had learned from her mother.

When her last child went off to college, Coats wanted to make sure she didn't forget the sayings. So she wrote them all down.

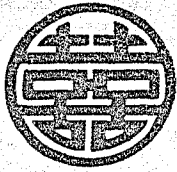
Soon she was receiving requests from friends and relatives for the book. Even Rosalyn Carter and Florida Gov. Bob Graham's wife, Adele, have copies.

Coats will sign copies of her book at Tween Waters Inn dining room from 10 a.m. to noon and at T.H. Osprey gift shop on Sanibel from 1 to 4 p.m. this Saturday.

Four art league members exhibit at Sanibel library

The February art show at the Sanibel Public Library features works by Barbara Taylor, Marion Anderson, Ruth North and Marie Nelson. The artists, all members of the Sanibel-Captiva Art League, each are exhibiting five paintings.

The library at 719 Palm Ridge Road is open daily except Sunday. Any artist in the area is invited to attend the Thursday workshops that are held at various locations from 9 a.m. to noon, after which a critique of the morning's work is held. Artists paint in all mediums and choose their own locations during the morning. At noon they gather in a central area to enjoy their brown bag lunches and listen to the critique of their efforts.



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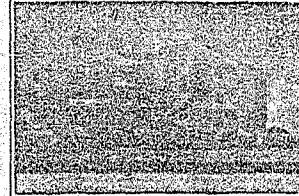
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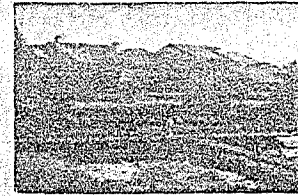
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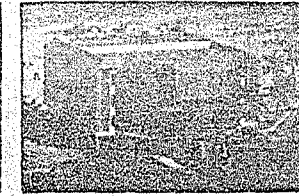
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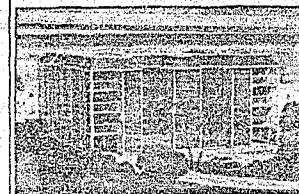
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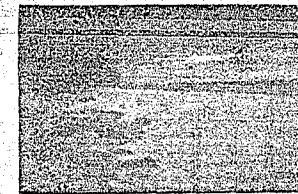
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Left: These spinning wood chairs provided interesting patterns for visitors at the Rotary Club fair. Below: New Jersey resident Mrs. M. Thomas Heller was one exhibitor of that craft fair. Photos by Mark Johnson.

Hundreds turned out for the two crafts fairs held on Sanibel last weekend — in spite of temperatures that were somewhat less than balmy on Saturday. Left: Bob Linceo and Paula Everett look at the items on display at the Southwest Florida Craft Guild Show held at Periwinkle Place. Above: Tyler, Tex., visitor C.W. Calvin examines a display of stained glass birds at the Rotary Club craft fair at the Sanibel Community Association.

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The MacLennans first combined their acting and music talents in Ingrid's home city of Vienna, Austria, when she was studying drama at the Max Reinhardt School and he was earning his artist diploma from the Hochschule fur Music in Vienna. Robert also holds degrees from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and Indiana University.

Ingrid went on to perform professionally in repertory theatre while Robert continued his concert career in Europe and the United States. After several years of marriage, the concept of a tour of concerts combining music and drama grew out of Robert's solo concert tours, which received great acclaim with audiences and critics.

Robert is artist-in-residence and chairman of the music department at Florida Southern College. In 1981 he was cited by the Florida Legislature for his "outstanding contributions to the fine arts in Florida."

Tickets for the concert are \$6 and are available at MacLennan Book Store, the 13-Hive, the Unicorn Shop and Calicoa Canyon on Sanibel and at the Tree House Gift Shop on Captiva.

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Pelican Players come home with performances of 'Smugglers'

The Pelican Players Association is coming home to Captiva with its two-night performance of "The Smugglers of Mangrove Island" March 8 and 9 at the Captiva Community Association building. Curtain time for both performances is 8 p.m.

The same cast and crew from the successful "road tour" of "Smugglers" that ran on Sanibel between Christmas and New Year's Day will repeat the production.

"Smugglers" is an original three-act comedy by

Island playwright Mike Fuery. It is the story of the financial struggles of a small island community when a U.S. Marshall investigates irregularities by the town's very generous city council.

Tickets are available at the Captiva Memorial Library. The Islander and at the door each night of the show. Tickets are \$8.50 for adults and \$4.50 for those under 12. For more information call 472-3453.

Second film in series takes viewers into the studio from page 6B

Island Theatre and Entertainment Center.

The artist, a part-time resident of Captiva, is among the forerunners of the Pop Art movement of the 1950s. The film concludes with the opening of the Pop Art Exhibition at New York's Whitney Museum.

Guest lecturer for this

film is Leslie Judd Ahlander, an art critic for the Miami News. She has served as curator of contemporary art in the Ringling Museum and curator of education in the Cocorua Gallery in Washington, D.C. In addition, she coordinates all artwork commissioned by Dade County.

Ahlander's educa-

tional background ranges from the Art Students League in New York, to Paris and the Academie Moderne in the Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts.

Upcoming films in this series are "Artist Robert Rauschenberg, Retrospect" and "Beyond Utopia:

Changing Attitudes in American Architecture."

Tickets for next Wednesday's showing of "The Artist's Studio" are \$6 and are available at MacIntosh Book Store, the Unicorn Shop, the B-Five and Caloosa Canvas on Sanibel and at the Tree House Gift Shop on Captiva.

BIG Arts will meet Feb. 25

The regular monthly meeting of the Harbor Island Group for the Arts will be held at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Feb. 25, at Sunlight resort. Members and guests are welcome.

Art league show will feature Japanese paintings

A slide show depicting Japanese paintings and gardens will be the special program presented Thursday afternoon, Feb. 29, by Emma Bippas for the Sanibel-Captiva Art League. She will invite the artists to consider nature and how it affects their work.

A brief meeting at 1:30 p.m. at the Sanibel Community Association building will precede the program. The public is invited.

Bippas did her graduate work at Stanford. She served as senior lecturer at the Toledo Museum of Art and taught art history classes in Toledo, Ohio. She was presented an award by Lady Bird Johnson as one of the top 25 art educators by the National Gallery in Washington.

Bippas has been on Sanibel since 1945. The watercolor artist is a member of the Sanibel-Captiva Art League.

Over the airwaves from page 12B

for Oboe and Continuo; Sonata in E Major for Two Violins and Cello.

MONDAY, FEB. 23
10 a.m. — Andre Previn conducts "The Great Gatsby" Concerto No. 1, Opus 107, with soloist Yo-Yo Ma; Klennay Korsakova's "The Gull"; March, and Mussorgsky's "Pictures at an Exhibition."

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Tuesday, Feb. 19 — "Noted Carnivalists" — Maxell Grass features with various descriptions in music of carnival celebrations.

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Thursday, Feb. 21 — "The Magic of Slices" — Passes and lermates form an integral part of many musical scores. Karl Haas examines and illustrates their many different uses.

Friday, Feb. 22 — "Handel with Care" — On the eve of Handel's 200th birthday, an overview of some of this composer's greatest contributions to the art of music is presented.

Monday, Feb. 25 — "Dixie" — Haas looks at the pros and cons of applause at public concerts; when is it appropriate, when distributing and how it affects artist and public.



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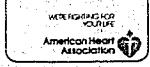
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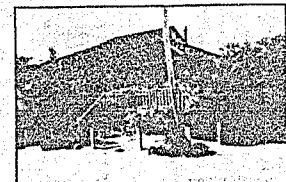
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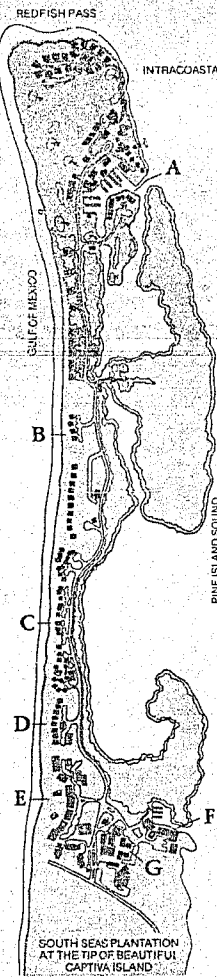
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"Voice of Joy," a time of song, teaching, praise and prayer, will hold its monthly meeting at 7 p.m. next Tuesday, Feb. 28, at the Sanibel Community Association hall.
This month's special speaker will be Judy Beard. Everyone is invited. For further information call Judy Brodeur, 472-5433, or Kim Stilson, 472-9324.

St. Isabel women will meet Feb. 25

Members of the St. Isabel Catholic Church Women's Guild will meet in the church hall at 7:30 p.m. next Monday, Feb. 25. Following the business meeting there will be a demonstration on preparing hors d'oeuvres by Judith Lusa.
If you need a ride call Rette Hell, 472-9219. Mass for guild members will be at 8:30 a.m. Sunday, Feb. 27.

day, Feb. 24. New members are welcome.
The women are planning the guild's annual Trash and Treasure Sale for Saturday, March 20. Donations can be made at the church church garage. Needed articles include furniture, small and large appliances, nie-nies, kitchen items, books, jewelry, toys, tools, linens, etc. No clothing, please.

Youth choirs will perform at Sanibel Community Church

The combined Youth Club Choirs of Sanibel Community Church will present the contemporary musical "I Have Decided" at 2 p.m. this Sunday, Feb. 21, in the church auditorium.
The musical arranged by John Lee will be

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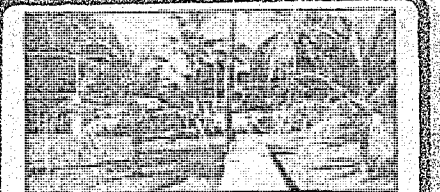
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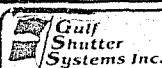


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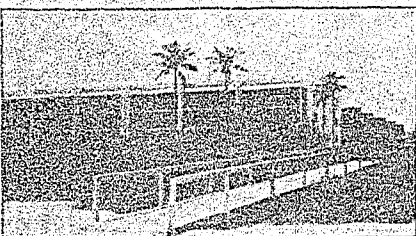
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Algae is not a dirty word

By George Campbell

Illustrated by Ana Winterbottom

It is time we cleared up one misconception that is extant on Sanibel: Algae is not a dirty word. Algae are these primitive forms of plant life that date back a very long time to when planet Earth was still quite young. These simple plant forms invented photosynthesis, the process upon which all life on earth depends, directly or indirectly. (That means you and me, too.) Well, almost all.

There was recently discovered an ecosystem that is nurtured by fissures in the earth's crust that are at great depths in the ocean. This ecosystem is unrelated to photosynthesis. But for all intents and purposes, photosynthesis feeds us all, and it was invented by the algae perhaps three billion years ago, which is a long time ago when you consider that the great dinosaurs were around in the early Mesozoic period "only" 180 million years ago.

Photosynthesis is an interesting process that involves the complicated green pigment, chlorophyll, plus sunlight. It employs the raw materials of atmospheric carbon dioxide and, of course, water. Energized by the sun's rays, the products of photosynthesis are oxygen, which is released into the atmosphere, and complex nutritional compounds, carbohydrates, which are the starches, sugars and cellulose — all necessities to support life on earth.

In addition to having provided photosynthesis, algae today furnish food for many people in the world, especially orientals, many of whose dishes are prepared from seaweed. Most seaweeds are algae.

Even here in the West algae is utilized in the pharmaceutical and food industries. Algal products are used in many foods for "stabilizers." Read labels found in supermarkets such as those on puddings, cake mixes and ice cream. You might see the word "carrageenan" or something like it. These gums are extracted from an alga grown in the Mediterranean. They represent one of the first efforts toward mariculture in the modern world, where mariculture is becoming ever more important.

Algal products are used in photographic emulsions, too.

I once knew a big operator in this field, one Manolo Galatas, of Madrid, who had thousands of acres of Mediterranean sea bottom under cultivation.

There he grew and harvested his algae and provided the gummy raw material to the pharmaceutical industry.

Yet, in spite of the fact that all life is dependent upon algae because about 90 percent of all the oxygen we breathe is produced by these primitive plants, and in spite of all the uses mentioned above, here on Sanibel algae is considered a dirty word.

People who pass by a smelly pond often appeal to the authorities about all the algae in the pond as though this smell were some fault of the algal organisms themselves.

On the contrary, if there is an over-bloom of an alga it has to do with the provision of nutrition, usually by mankind. If we dump our sewage or other waste or fertilizer run-off into a pond, as we do here on Sanibel, we must accept the responsibility that we are furnishing the nutrition that sometimes causes the overbloom. We can hardly say that it is a noxious organism that does this, when in fact it is a noxious primate that dumps his waste in one form or another into his natural

habitat.

Another misconception rampant on Sanibel is that anything green that lives on or in our freshwater lakes — all of which are artificial, as of course you know — is called algae in a derogatory way. This just isn't true. Actually the smallest flowering plant in the world, Lemna, is usually the green surface film that one sees on the super-natured freshwater ponds on Sanibel.



A marine alga called codium, a giant clam for its anchoring substratum, native to the southwestern Pacific, here employs a kind of

The Lemna really is quite a remarkable little plant and deserves a study all its own, but suffice it to say that it is abundant on Sanibel where nutrient pollution occurs and it does grow where sewage and fertilizer contamination is high.

Lemna, or duckweed, as some people call it, does not normally completely choke a pond surface, but exists in modest numbers around the fringes or edges and floats with the wind. It provides a "thermometer" to measure pollution.

A few years ago there was a green covered Lemna pond at a place now called Casa Ybel resort. This pond had its big resident alligator, and the Lemna was solid green and maybe an inch thick all over the surface. This gave the particular alligator his name, which stuck for a long time — like Lemna. He was called the "Jolly Green Giant" because when he would haul out to bask in the sun he would be covered with a film of bright green. It was a rather interesting sight to see a green alligator when normally the big ones are black. The little ones, of course, black and yellow. So it is that here on Sanibel people tend to think

of algae as undesirable. And most people here think our tiny flowering plant, Lemna, is an alga.

So the purpose of this piece is to sort out that question.

Several major groups of algae are recognized: the blue-green algae, the most primitive of all; the greens; the reds; and the browns.

Some algae grow to be immense. The kelp of the Pacific has flotation blubs the size of grapefruit or larger and ribbons of tissue up to 200 feet long.

On our own Florida east coast we find sargassum weed, a relatively large brown algae with much smaller flotation devices. There is a place northeast of the Bahamas called the Sargasso Sea, where square miles of this plant congregate and float in a huge "island."

It is a fascinating environment in which you can find all manner of life, from baby sea turtles to seahorses, shells and lots of planktonic organisms both plant and animal.

Among the most interesting animals of the Sargasso Sea is the sargassum fish, called so because it has managed to mimic the color and shape of the plant among whose strands it lives and is totally camouflaged. You can only see this fish if you grab a handful of sargassum weed and give it a fast pull sideways. This will leave the fish totally exposed for an instant before it darts into another floating clump.

Sargassum fish are easily kept in an aquarium and can be caught simply by scooping up whole nets full of sargassum weed. They have marvelous by huge mouth parts that enable them to swallow prey of unbelievable size in relation to their own bulk.

Even though the algae are classified by some to be blue green, green, brown and red, all of them have chlorophyll and all of them photosynthesize and produce oxygen for our atmosphere.

The atmosphere of the world was not always about one-fifth oxygen. This important fifth has been added over the three billion years of algal life on earth. Without this atmosphere, which is largely due to algae with some help from other green plants, we never would have evolved, nor would the others of the higher vertebrate animals.

One of the great groups of algae are the diatoms, many of which are present today but which existed in immense numbers during the Mesozoic period and other

during which time the chalk cliffs of Dover were formed.

We on Sanibel are probably best acquainted with diatomaceous earth because the powder that is used in our swimming pool filters is just that. Examine this material under a microscope and you will see most unusual skeletal forms.

It is easy to see and study algae with a simple student's microscope. Algae are readily found everywhere. Some withstand freezing temperatures on a permanent basis; others like near-boiling temperatures. Some are found in fresh water; more in salt water. Some on damp logs; some in dewdrops in dry deserts.

Some of the most interesting places to find algae are in association with fungi. These symbiotes live together, the algae photosynthesizing and furnishing food for themselves as well as to the fungi, which in turn support the algae. Such a combination of two different life forms, algae and fungi, is

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Island wildlife provides fare for next Audubon show

"Birds and Wildlife of Sanibel and Captiva" as captured through the lenses of Laura Hilley provide the fare offered for the Sanibel-Captiva Audubon Society's lecture program on a p.m. via Thursday, Feb. 21, at the Sanibel Community Association.

Hilley's exquisite photographs have highlighted the annual wildlife lecture program for several years, and her new show is her "masterpiece," says Francis Saxinger, chairman of the Audubon society's program committee.



Hilley wrote and photographed this year's program in conjunction with Care and Rehabilitation of Wildlife and is being shown in support of that group's objectives.

Hilley is a professional nature writer/photographer whose work has appeared in Reader's Digest, National Geographic, Ladies Home Journal and others. She and her husband, William, co-authored the Guide to National Wildlife Refuges published by Doubleday in 1979.

The Audubon society's winter series of wildlife lectures is presented as a public service. There is no admission charge, but donations are welcomed to help defray program costs.

Weekly refuge film features North American birds

The weekly film at the Visitor Center at the J.N. "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge at 11 a.m. this Saturday, Feb. 23, will be Birds Around You, a close up look at some of North America's birds. The Duck Stamp Story will also be shown.

Reservations are being taken for the next naturalist boat cruise planned for Monday, Feb. 25. The cruise leaves Tarpon Bay Marina at 3 p.m. to explore the waterways of Tarpon Bay and Pine Island Sound. The fee is \$10 per person. Reservations can be made by calling the marina, 472-9196.

Visitors are reminded that the Visitor Center at the entrance to the refuge on Sanibel-Captiva Road is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. The Wildlife Drive, walking and canoe trails are open every day of the year from sunrise to sunset.

For more information about any refuge program call 472-1100.

More concerned citizens join anti-trash campaign

So far seven Island residents and visitors have pitched in by bringing bags of trash to The Islander to trade for their choice of gifts.

The battle continues. Lillian Coate and Harry and Ruth Miller pitched in last week in a frontal attack against litter on the Islands.

"It gives you good exercise to be out there walking - and if there are no shells, why not pick up litter?" Ruth Miller said when she traded in her trash for a prize from The Islander.

The Millers are from Stroudsburg, Penn., and picked up three full bags of trash after walking only 100 yards. That much trash in a small area is bad news for the Islands. Yet if people such as the Millers care enough about Sanibel to pick the litter up, we still have a chance.

Lillian Coate picked up a bag of cans that could hardly be lifted. She found all the cans between Casa Ybel resort and the public beach at Tarpon Bay Road.

"The beach is not very pretty unless it is free of trash," Coate said. "And this can be very dangerous for our grandchildren's bare feet."

Coate added that it felt good to be part of a community-wide effort. But she wanted a suc-

cessful anti-trash program will take a lot of effort from everyone.

We second that notion - it will take a continual effort by those who care.

For our part, The Islander will continue to give those concerned Islanders a choice of a free subscription, a Sanibel Lighthouse Centennial poster or a bottle of wine from the D-Drive. All you have to do is show us a bag of litter you have collected from the beaches and byways of the island. The gifts are a one time shot - but we hope all still pick up litter on a continuing basis.

Thanks for picking up! Let's hope other people become more aware that we do not like litter. And maybe they'll realize the best place for litter is in a dumpster.



Lillian Coate



Harry and Ruth Miller

George Campbell continued

called lienen. The world of lichens alone is immensely fascinating and could occupy lifetimes of study. These, too, exist from the Arctic Tundra where they form the major diet of the Caribou, to festooned cloud forest forms hanging from trees in tropical rain forests looking much like our own Spanish moss, to desert forms of many other kinds and colors. Many are found right here on Sanibel.

This is really only a brief introduction to the algae, but I hope it will serve to prove to you their great value to the world, and thus to mankind.

Strike the word algae from your vocabulary of dirty words and recognize them for what they are, plants of immense value. Next time you visit your favorite Japanese restaurant, ask for tasty dishes that are prepared from algae. You will be surprised by what the Japanese can do with various of the marine forms.

Some biologists call algae "plant-like" and group them in a kingdom called protista. Generally, older botanists consider them plants. That is where I stand.

Agar, a gum extracted from seaweed, originated in China and later was exploited in Japan. It provided a basis for various media used in the laboratory culture of bacteria.

Carrageen (this word has several spellings), also called Irish moss, is a gelatinous substance used in stabilization of emulsions, suspensions, ice cream, etc., including blanc mange. Many other products are made from it.

Reproduction of algae is largely vegetative (asexual), sometimes but more rarely sexual.

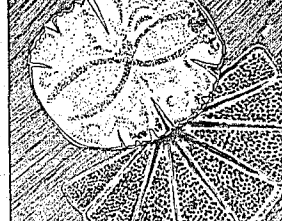
Blue-green algae are Cyanophyta. These are the most primitive of algae. They do not have a proper cell wall. One of these, Spirulina, is the principal food of the millions of lesser flamingos. Other algae have cell walls.

Some microfossils are siliceous (with silicon) and some are calcareous (with calcium). The classification of the algae is too complex for this discussion. Also, there's not much agreement among the experts, and new discoveries take place constantly.

Arguments as to whether a given species is an alga or a protozoan animal continue. We have

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These two algae are members of a large group known as diatoms. Their skeletal remains are often beautiful as well as useful to mankind. The fan shaped one pictured is a colony of Lithothamnion; the round one a desinid. Both have skeletons made of silica.

Candidates needed for Vegetation Committee training program

By Scott Martell

Do you have a "green thumb," enjoy trees and the outdoors, like being involved in the community?

If so, you might be interested in a training program for candidates for the city of Sanibel's Vegetation Committee.

The training session will be held in early March. Those interested should call Dr. K.C. Emerson, chairman of the Vegetation Committee, 472-9196. Emerson says the training will include identification of native and introduced vegetation on the

Island, current regulations concerning preservation and destruction of native vegetation, inspection procedures and related matters.

The Vegetation Committee provides advice to city officials upon request. Some committee members are vegetation inspectors who advise the Planning Department prior to issuance of a vegetation permit. Members also provide advice, upon request, to citizens concerning native vegetation on Sanibel.

Vegetation Committee members are local citizens who perform their duties as a com-

munity service, without pay. "This is an opportunity to serve your community and learn about native and introduced plants on the Island," Emerson says.



Winter weather washes shells ashore

The waves roll in on Sanibel and Captiva, not with a roar like on the beaches of California or Hawaii, but more softly. And with a light touch they often place an occasional rare shell gently on the beach.

Several people found this to be the case last week. Owen Mumford was walking the beaches near the Snook Motel last Saturday watching the waves roll in and out. A glimmer of a white shell caught his eye. He stuck out his forked hoe, which he uses for shelling, and caught the shell before it could roll back out.

"I wasn't sure what it was, but I knew it was whiter than most," Mumford said.

It was white, indeed. In fact, it was a rare albino olive shell - rarely found on the Islands and worth

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Winter weather washes shells ashore continued

up to \$100 in a shell shop. "This is the only shell of any value I've ever found," he laughed. The Ocean City, Md., resident and his wife have been visiting Sanibel for a month every winter since the opening of the Causeway. In those years the Mumfords have collected an "attic-full" of shells, many of which have been part of an exhibit at the Ocean City Museum.



Bob and Georgene Mills

Bob and Georgene Mills are in between jobs, Bob having recently been transferred from Allentown, Penn. to Orlando, Fla.

His new assignment starts in March, and the couple is spending a full month on Sanibel "doing a lot of shelling."

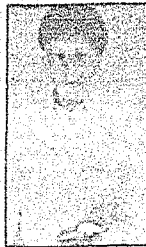
All that shelling paid off one night last week when a strong storm whipped up Blind Pass and sent waves close to the cottage door where the Mills are staying.

But the waves also brought shells, and the next morning the Mills found both a junonia and a Scotch bonnet.

The Mills have given many of their shells away and enjoy building shell lamps. But these two special shells are headed for the specimen shelf in their new Orlando home.

Friday, Feb. 15, was a lucky day for Cynthia Mitchell of Decatur, Ind. While walking the beach near the Shalimar hotel on West Gulf Drive she found her second junonia.

Mitchell found the prize shell buried in the sand along the high tide mark. She found her first junonia



Owen Mumford



Cynthia Mitchell

during an earlier visit to the Islands. The twice-lucky sheller has been vacationing on Sanibel for two weeks each year for the past six years.

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Local power squadron earns national recognition

The Sanibel-Captiva Power Squadron recently earned first place nationally for contributions to the Cooperative Charting Program sponsored by National Ocean Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

Squadron members report vital data to both nautical and aeronautical chartmakers to help keep charts up to date. Currently United States Power Squadron members are also searching for and reporting on the condition of survey marks. Discrepancies in aids to navigation are also regularly reported to the Coast Guard.

The award was presented by Rear Admiral John Bussler and Capt. Lawton Posey of NOAA at the annual meeting of the United States Power Squadrons

held at the Fontainebleau Hotel, Miami Beach, in late January.

William Martin has served as commander of the Island squadron for the current year. With a membership of 116, 29 members of the Sanibel-Captiva Power Squadron submitted a total of 600 reports this year. 2,992 members participated from 451 squadrons nationwide.

The Island squadron will maintain its first place in District 22 (made up of 19 squadrons) spanning an area from Albany, Ga., to Marco Island, Fla., for the third year in a row.

Seven members of Island squadron made the national honor roll: Abbott Byfield, Greg O'Neill, George Quimby, Bill and Kathleen Rokshan and Charles and Ann Krausse. O'Neill and

the Krausses were in the top 20 nationally.

Last year, Ann Krausse won the award for the top national individual. This year she placed sixth but did win the special category award, also presented at the annual meeting, for having made the highest number of nautical chart corrections nationally. Cooperative charting is an important voluntary public service. Local knowledge through frequent use of area waterways and familiarity with the topography of the area along with training in USPS educational courses provides an unparalleled observer group.

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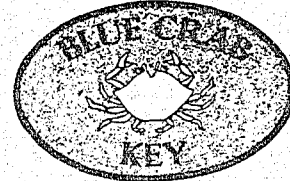
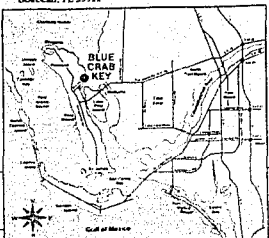
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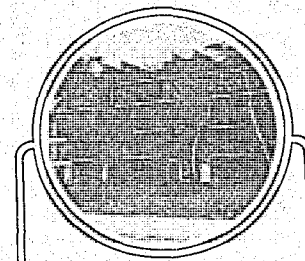
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ON THE WATER

By Captain Mike Fuery

We are several months away from the annual tarpon fishing season, but recently I came upon a most interesting journal covering the years 1887 to 1910. It has some interesting insights about tarpon fishing around Sanibel and Captiva nearly a century ago.

The journal is in book form now, written by Eleanor H.D. Pearse. As a young girl vacationing in Southwest Florida with her father aboard their yacht, Pearse (maiden name Dean) took notes and photos of their extensive travels.

It was only a few years before the father and daughter fishing team came to the area that tarpon were first caught by hook and line. I read an account that said the very first one landed by rod and reel was near Punta Rassa.

About that time Ueppa Island was beginning to attract tourists and anglers. The forerunner of the big game reel was in the experimental stage by the Von Hoff brothers, frequent visitors to that island.

The book is not long, nor is it to be taken as an official history book. But it provides some really interesting comments on tarpon fishing and other fishes, too.

One of the most unusual photos in the book is of a tarpon being caught from the surf on Gasparilla

Island near the tiny village of Boca Grande. Most wealthy travelers had servants helping them fish, and this particular picture shows a man gaffing a wildly flourishing tarpon right on the beach!

Apparently in those days a family that owned a huge hotel at St. James City on Pine Island, used to pull what was called a floating hotel all the way to Boca Grande, where anglers would stay while they fished for tarpon.

Even in those days there were numerous guides to help anglers get into Boca Grande Pass for the big fish. The guides would beach their boats near the lighthouse and then row their customers out in that swift pass to fish. If you've ever been in that pass, you can just imagine trying to row even a small boat in that kind of tide.

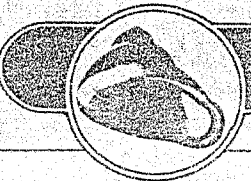
There were apparently good numbers of sea trout, ladyfish and channel bass (redfish), but the book contains no mention of snook. You might recall that those early visitors called the snook a soup fish, because when cooked with the skin still on the fillet had the rather unpleasant taste of homemade soap. Even so, Pearse hardly notes the catching of any snook. She does mention good hunting for turkey ducks and deer around and on the islands. But it was those big tarpon that really kept her interest.

The family's motor yacht could maneuver in shallow waters, so some of the finest tarpon they encountered were in the Peace River and Myakka River, both of which feed into the Charlotte Harbor area near Punta Gorda.

There are several notations of big fish being caught during February in these rivers. I find that interesting because these days it is most rare that anyone spots a tarpon in those waters at all, especially this time of the year. Either there are many less fish, or they don't like the waters, or the winters were warmer then and the big silver game fish remained in our local waters. In either case, many fish were caught in the cold months of the year.

Wouldn't it be great to be able to fish for tarpon all year long? These big fish have been reported showing up in the Key West Channel in the past month or so. They seem to migrate to those warmer waters during cold weather. They return in late April or sooner in warm winter years.

Pearse's book is called Florida's Vanishing Era. I assume is out of print, but if you can get your hands on it you'll find it is a treasure of early island living.



SHELLING TIPS

By Captain Mike Fuery

The violent winter storms pounding into our beaches cause many visible changes in sand formation. But it is the changes we don't see below the surface that mean great shelling for collectors. It amazes me that some of the most delicate sea animals can often reach the beaches in reasonably good condition.

One of the most interesting and at the same time most fragile of all the star fish is the brittle star. You might have seen one and not know what it was.

The brittle star is like most star fish with five long legs and a definite center. The legs in most brittle stars that I see are about two to four inches long. The center of a really big brittle star is the size of a dime.

Once tossed upon the beach, they soon die. If the sea birds don't get to them first the sun quickly dries them out and makes them easy items to add to your collection.

Star fish technically are not shells, or corals. They don't have a hard protective shell of any sort, and therefore cannot really be cleaned out or processed as a hard-bodied shell can be.

If you do find a brittle star or any of the other

several kinds of star fish around here, it is best to let nature do the drying and processing for you. A few days in a well-ventilated, semi-shaded spot around the outside of the house should do the trick. Remember that raccoons love to eat anything — and that includes star fish — so protect your drying stars from these animals that are bereft in abundance.

The brittle star is just one of several marine creatures we see somewhat often during these strong storms of the winter months.

Just as the brittle star is one of the most valued of all the star fish in our local waters, there is an urchin that gets the same praise from collectors.

You probably have seen many purple sea urchins on the beaches after storms. They are two-thirds rounded, have a flat underside and are covered with short, blunt needles. They aren't harmful if picked up, and if sea birds clean the shell of inside meat for you, then the urchin makes a fine display item.

One of the strangest of the urchins is the heart urchin. Where the other urchins of the world have a fine set of defensive spines, the heart urchin has none.

The heart urchin is well named. It really does have a heart-shaped body. Its color is not red, however, but a light tan. In the living state the urchin has tiny hairs that probably are a kind of spine, but I've never found a living heart urchin.

Most heart urchins are hardly larger than a ping pong ball. They are round with slightly flattened bottoms. There are some slots on the top of the shell.

Beachwalkers often overlook both the brittle star and the heart urchin because the two often are found high up on the beach, rather than close to the waves.

These two light shells — both in your hand, wouldn't weight much more than an ounce — tend to be carried or blown up on the beaches more than other shells. Keep an eye out for them this week, and work the beaches at Blind Pass between Captiva and Sanibel Islands. This changeable pass is turning up some very nice shell finds.

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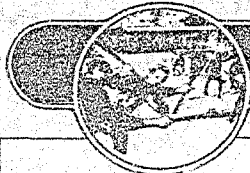
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ISLANDER SPORTS

By Scott Martell

Guess the quiz, win wine, poster or subscription

"Jimmy and Greek" and Ted Saterans have done it again. Even bicycle trivia cannot daunt these two sports fans.

By answering both questions correctly each received his choice of a free subscription to *The Islander*, a bottle of wine from the B-Hive or a Sanibel Lighthouse Centennial poster by Island photographer David Moorhead.

The two guessed that a cyclist had achieved a speed of over 180 mph on a bike. It occurred in 1973, and the biker was Dr. Allan Abbot of San Bernardino, Calif., who reached a speed of 140.5 mph on his bicycle.

Jury Dahmer joined the "Greek" and Saterans in knowing that cycling is an Olympic event. The sport has been part of the Olympic games since its revival in 1896.

This week we turn to swimming. First, has anybody ever swum the length of the Mississippi River? And second, has anybody ever swum the English Channel under water?

Think you know? Give us a call at 472-5185. This month we continue our policy of awarding one of three prizes to those who answer both parts of the quiz correctly. There is a limit of one of each prize per month for a single contestant. And remember, we must have your guesses in our office by 5 p.m. Friday.

Sportsman of the Week:

Brad Buker

This week's Sportsman is a newcomer to Sanibel. He attends Fort Myers Christian School, where he is likely a popular guy this week.

Last Friday Brad Buker, a freshmen basketball player on the junior varsity team, threw in 29 points for his team in a game against Everglades City.

The 5'10" lad moved to the Dunes on Sanibel last August from Illinois, where he played soccer and basketball. He continues to play both sports at Fort Myers Christian.

"But basketball is my best sport, and I may concentrate totally on basketball next year," he says.

Buker is tall for a freshmen, but better yet he has the shooting eye and touch. Most of his 29 points against Everglades City came on jump shots from around the free-throw



Brad Buker

line area.

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

The Islander welcomes nominations for Sportsman of the Week. Nominations should be in our office by noon Thursday and can be made by calling Scott Martell, 472-5185.

Over-50 softball men win over Moose Lodge

Sanibel's over-50 softball team burst out of its depression last week with a big win over Moose Lodge, 12-9.

As in previous Sanibel victories, the Sanibel men created a dramatic scenario before edging out a win.

The game was tied in the top of the seventh inning, 9-9. Then Jim Cook stepped to the plate. He eyed the

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66-year-old swimmer becomes first to pass 50-mile mark at Sanibel pool

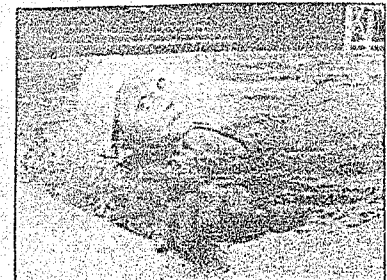
The "old" advanced across the chart at an amazing rate, marking off mile after mile as Libby Rogers, 66, stroked her way through the water at the Sanibel Recreation Complex pool.

Then last Thursday, Feb. 11 — Valentine's Day — Rogers became the first Sanibel swimmer to complete the Red Cross 50-mile swim.

She completed the 50-mile swim in just over a month after beginning Jan. 10. She put in 2 1/2-mile segments almost every day of the week. Rogers usually can swim a 35-minute mile, or about one pool length per minute.

"A day I don't swim isn't a good day," Rogers says with a laugh. Then more seriously, she adds the sport is contagious and it is important to challenge yourself.

Rogers has been a serious swimmer since 1979. An injury took her away from her favorite sport, tennis, in which she had been a state and city champion. Not about to forsake physical activity, Rogers



Libby Rogers

"I like the way I feel when I get out of the water — I enjoy the physical activity and I think it's necessary for me," the physically fit senior says. "And I love this facility here — it's the best and has the nicest people."

Rogers also does much swimming in lakes and in the gulf. She recently swam three miles out into the ocean and back. "I love swimming where you don't have to keep making

turns," she says. Completing the 50-mile Red Cross swim is just one of Rogers' fitness accomplishments. Back when she was a young 62-year-old, she was the youngest member of a team of six who raced their bikes across the country, from San Diego to Washington D.C. The other bike racers were all men, the oldest of whom was 75.

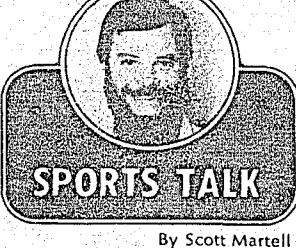
The team made the 3,000-plus miles journey, riding in relay fashion 24-hours a day, in nine days and 20 hours.

After such accomplishments, what does the sexagenarian plan for the future?

"I'm going to erase the board (for the Red Cross swim) and begin again," she laughs.

"I like the way I feel when I get out of the water... I think it's necessary for me."

Senior swimmer Libby Rogers



By Scott Martell

She hits the ball with much vigor, rocketing it across the net and deep into the opposite court. "Keep the racquet on the ball longer," shouts Virginia Wade to her student, Pascale Paradis. The two are practicing at South Seas Plantation, where Wade is a guest professional.

Later, Wade instructs Paradis on the backhand cross court shot.

"Draw your hand and elbow in close to your body — keep your shoulder down — hit the ball a little earlier," she instructs. And she keeps blitting hard return after return at the youthful Paradis.

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Corner Drug ties with Timbers for second place in basketball

Tena O'Toole hit a jump shot at the buzzer to propel his Corner Drug team to a 77-75 win over Timbers in the Sanibel Basketball League last week.

The victory means a tie between the two teams for second place behind undefeated Sanibel Glass.

Four more weeks remain in league play. A championship tournament will follow on the weekend of March 18-17.

In other games last week Sanibel Glass defeated Arnolds, 100-61, and Island Store beat Island Medical Clinic, 47-44.

Last week South Seas picked up the "eye" victory in the seven team league. This week the "eye" goes to Sanibel Glass, assuring them of a continued undefeated record.

Standings as of Feb. 12 are as follows:

- Sanibel Glass, 13-0
- Corner Drug, 7-3
- Timbers, 7-3
- Island Medical Clinic, 5-5
- Arnolds, 4-6
- Island Store, 4-6
- South Seas Plantation, 3-7

Injured Snowbirds call on the Dunes to help field five doubles teams

The injury-ridden Sanibel Harbour Snowbirds had to call on two friends from the Dunes to field a 10-man team (five doubles) in their second match of the season last week against The Cape Coral Yacht and Racquet Club.

The Snowbirds won the match four matches to one. Scores were as follows:

Jack Clark and Dick Brasher of the Snowbirds defeated Levee Bentley and Ken Westworth, 7-5, 6-2.

Ted Kurze and Handy Moore from the Snowbirds defeated Guecin and

Guecin, 7-5, 6-3.
Milt Levin and Harry Skallet of the Snowbirds defeated Pete Olson and Gene Fredericks, 6-2, 5-3.

Bill Baker and Ken Korisia of the Snowbirds lost their match to Bill Pransky and Harry Ross, 6-3, 8-2.

And visitors Alan Hasebham and Trace Green from the Dunes but playing with the Snowbirds defeated Don Parisi and Kerry Van Leeck, 6-2, 7-5.

The Sanibel Harbour Snowbirds are now playing out of the new Jimmy Connors United States Tennis Center.

Dunes "C" tennis team holds first place in county

The Lee County Women's Tennis League C-1 Division has just completed its second round of play, and the Dunes team is in first place.

Sue Rogers and Bobbie Craig, playing in number one position at the Dunes, continued to be strong leaders of the team, winning all of their matches.

Dot Joyce is team captain for the

"C" team. Other team members are Linda Hammet, Dorothy Sprauer, Jere Keyes, Barbara Specht, Winnie Combs, Pat Robertson, Jean Hartman, Sue Rogers and Bobbie Craig.

The team is coached by Bill Fous, head tennis professional at the Dunes.

Division winners will be announced after the third round of play ending March 28.

Gibsons win American Legion sweetheart horseshoe tournament

The husband and wife team of Dick and Marcia Gibson won the American Legion Sweetheart Special horseshoe tournament Sunday, Feb. 10.

Marcia Gibson also won the ladies singles competition. Jimbo Willis and Cloud won top honors in the men's doubles contest.

Tuesday game was canceled because of inclement weather.

The team's record is now 13-15.

Over-50 softball men win over Moose Lodge continued

nitched ball and then connected for a three-run homerun. Sanibel led 12-9.

But the Moose men began to threaten in their half of the inning. They loaded the bases and had only one out. Then one of their big bats lofted a fly far out

to right field. Sanibel's Mark McClintock squeezed the ball for the out, then sensed the runner would try to score from third base.

McClintock made the strong throw to catcher Francis Bailey, who made the tag to end the game and preserve the victory.

McClintock also picked up a big triple to help the Sanibel team.

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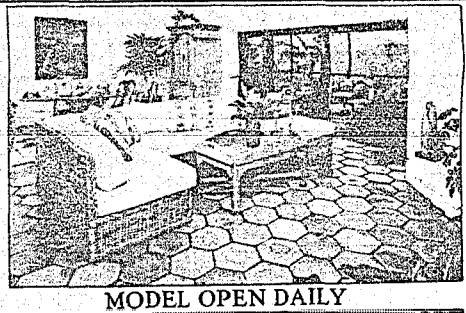
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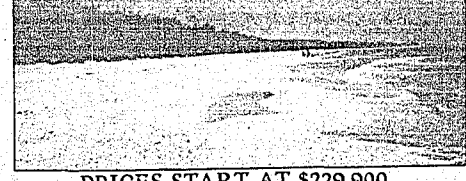
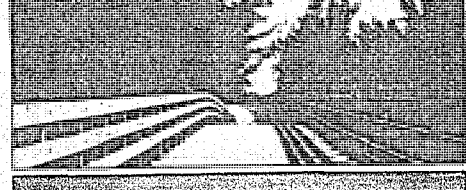
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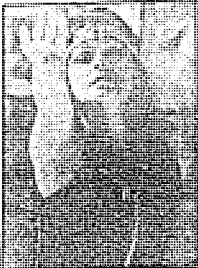
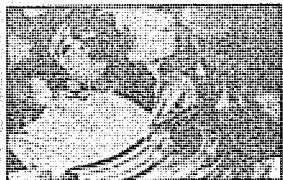
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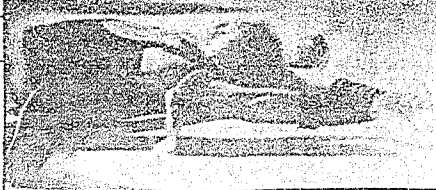
Sanibel Harbour celebrates grand opening

Tennis and aerobics have been in the limelight during the grand opening celebration at Sanibel Harbour resort and the Jimmy Connors U.S. Tennis Center over the past two weekends.

Last weekend Briau Gottfried, right, and Eddie Dibbs, below, competed on the courts.



Two weekends ago numerous top-notch aerobics competitors stratted their stuff center court in a contest styled similar to Olympic ice-dancing competition. At left is Carol Lake of Hialeah, who took second place in the individual category. Photos by Mark Johnson.



SPORTS

Volleyball standings remain stable

Both the Sanibel Slammers and Michipijou teams was all three of their games last week to keep the league standings stable. The Slammers still lead the league by five games with Michipijou the second place team.

In games last Monday, Michipijou defeated the Captiva Spikers, 15-13, 13-8, and 15-9.

In the second game of the evening the Slammers defeated the Island Condo Commandos, 15-5, 15-7, 15-8.

The league ended last night, with the Slammers assumed the league title by virtue of their five-game lead over

Michipijou. At 7 p.m. the Slammers were scheduled to play with the Condo Commandos, and at 8 p.m. the Captiva Spikers were to play the Michipijou team.

Open recreational volleyball will continue from 7 to 9 p.m. Monday evenings.

League standings as of Feb. 12 were:

Sanibel Slammers, 29-4
Michipijou, 15-9
Island Condo Commandos, 7-17
Captiva Spikers, 6-18

Benefit celebrity tennis tournament set for Feb. 22-24

The first annual Robb and Stucky Celebrity Heart Tennis Classic will take place at the Landings Yacht and Golf Club in Fort Myers Feb. 22-24. The event will benefit the American Heart Association.

More than 13 stars are scheduled to appear, according to celebrity host Jerry Van Dyke. Among the guests will be Merv Griffin, Jonathan Winters, John Davidson, Dick Van Dyke, Gene Hackman, Harvey Korman, Karl Reiner, Lyle Waggoner,

Bob Segren, Barry Newman, Trini Lopez, Pat Harrington, David Mirisch, Richard Anderson, Barry Williams, Christopher Atkins, Raina English, Sharon Waggoner, Ben Murphy and Robert Pine.

A celebrity dinner and variety show is scheduled for p.m. Saturday, Feb. 23. All proceeds will benefit the American Heart Association. For more information contact Joe Schwantes, 481-2500.

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"But now the trend is away from that baseline style — just watch (Martina) Navratilova or (John) McEnroe," she said.

She said another noticeable change is in the age of many competitors. Wade started playing on the circuit when she was 22 and now often finds herself playing 14 year olds.

"I'm not crazy about it," Wade said. "Chris (Evert Lloyd) was 16, which isn't so bad, and she was unusual at the time. But 14 — and younger? They can get so isolated, neglect other aspects of their life."

Yet these young women are very talented, Wade emphasized. "But I don't see how they can survive the emotional strain," she added. "They play way, way more tennis, they become very educated in the sport — very concentrated on it. But I just don't see how they can have a long life in the game."

And Wade can easily cite examples of women who have proven casualties to this problem of too much tennis at an early age — Andrea Jaeger and Tracy Austin. Both became famous at an early age. Both are now pretty much out of the limelight

and out of tennis. Wade laughed and said another change is that "high-tech has come to the game," in the form of everything from larger racquets to better sports medicine and training.

Larger racquets definitely make it possible to play better tennis, she believes. But it is the lower skill level players who can improve the most with the new racquets.

"You can't tell me a Rod Laver could play any continued next page

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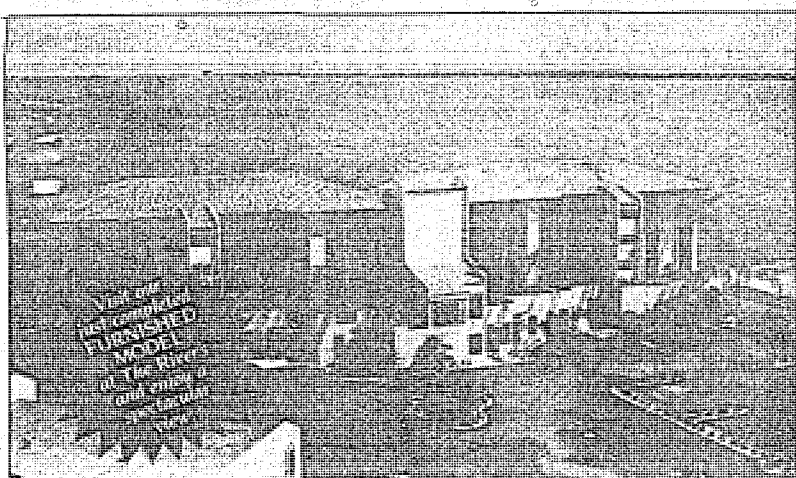
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SPORTS

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better with a larger racket," she said with a laugh. "The higher level players would improve only a little, or none at all, with the new rackets."
 Wade believes the new products are "all fun" and hopes they keep developing.
 Sports medicine is another aspect of the game she hopes continues to develop — from how to train with weights and practice better nutrition to how to psychologically handle the game.
 "When I began playing we didn't even stretch before playing — we'd just warm up by hitting a few balls," she said. Now she believes lack of stretching can lead to injury.
 One thing high-technology has yet to improve, however, is tennis court surfaces, Wade said.
 "They haven't changed as much as they should have — particularly the indoor surfaces," she

said. "I don't think we have a perfect indoor carpet — and we haven't developed balls that match the surfaces."
 As far as the quality of players overall, Wade feels the standard now is way higher. "There are no more easy early rounds. There are no relaxing, comfortable matches."
 "Now a player is always under pressure. You can't let up for a minute," she said.
 But if the overall standard is much higher, Wade still believes the top 10 players from 10 years ago — women such as Billie Jean King, Margaret Court, Chris Evert-Lloyd, Evonne Coolidge, Virginia Wade herself and many others — are stronger overall than the current top 10.
 One reason for this, she believes, is that Austin and Jaeger are out of tennis. "But it is also just by

chance," she said. "There is so much talent out there it will eventually correct itself."
 When speaking about change in the game it would be impossible not to mention the impact of rising prize purses. Wade agrees today there is much more money involved in the current tennis circuit.
 "The money is still very concentrated on the top level, however," she said. "The lower level players still struggle to make ends meet."
 So many young players, a lot more money, a high standard of play, developments in "high-tech" and development of more individual styles — all lead to Wade's summation that the status of women's tennis is — "very healthy."

Sheinwold on bridge

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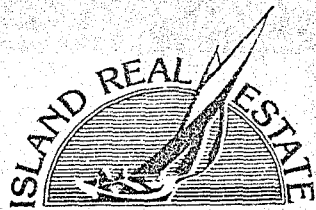
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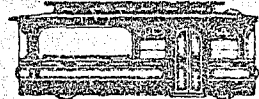
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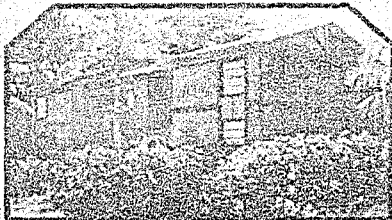
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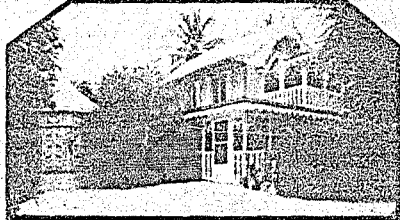
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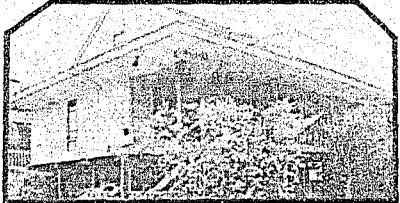
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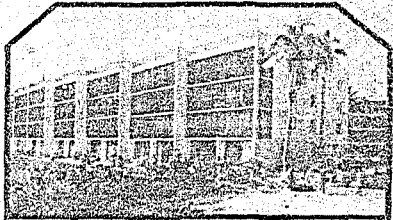
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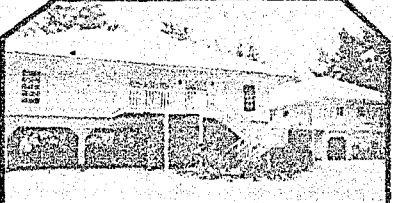
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