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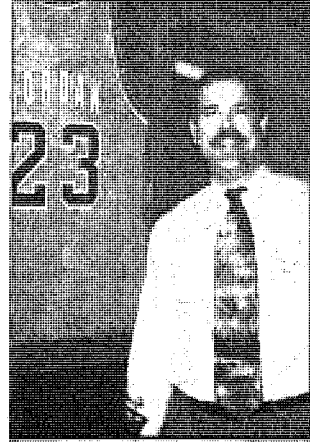
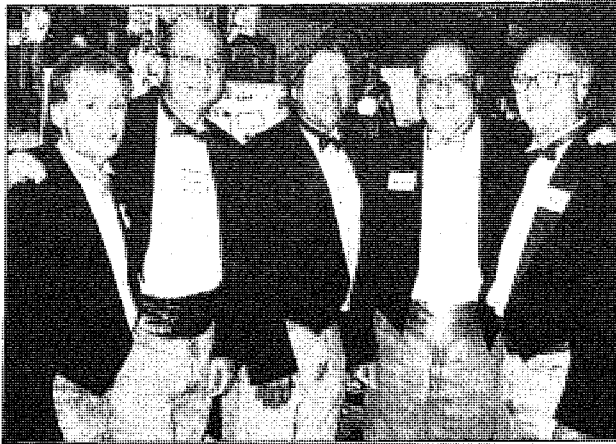
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Fish Forever as Timbers celebrates 25 years

Story and photos
by Terri Blackmore
General Manager



Timbers partners Jimmy Foster, Michael Schilling, Matt Asen and (right) Kipp Foster with CPA Kevin Howe (second from right).

Fish were biting and all that it implies, as over 400 guests schooled on the premises of the Timbers Restaurant and Sanibel Grill on October 23rd, this Thursday past. The date marked 25 years of success in serving fresh seafood to satisfied Sanibel visitors as well as residents. The secret to so much fish happening and the establishment's success? None other than proprietor and co-owner, Matt Asen. This culinary undertaker has been an ace in marketing what swims in the sea in an above-board fashion, which has helped build his "fresh fish" empire. What is interesting is the chosen clever, as well as enticingly different, way to take the fish to market.

The restaurant's fresh fish slogans have been seen on bumper stickers, blown up on inflated lobster balloons, on license plates, and enunciated in advertisements. The fishmonger himself has been seen suited up as the Statue of Liberty, highlighted by the slogan, "Give me your tired, your poor, your huddled masses yearning to eat fish."


And what about the countless photos of Asen seen posing in his restaurant with famous sportscasters, with cows and bunnies, in fish boxer shorts, and seen on national TV at the US

Open or at NBA playoffs canvassing for Timbers fresh fish? On raw occasions in days of yore, the man's head was often seen on the body of another noted restaurant figure sporting the fresh, uncut carcass of the uncooked specimen.

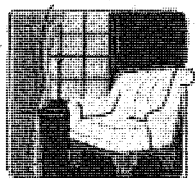
Asen admits the success story can't all be attributed to him. The Timbers is part of a restaurant chain that connects from Florida to Massachusetts and all the partners were on hand for the special 25th celebration. There to help regale in the glory of the moment were partners Kipp Foster, Jimmy Foster, Michael Schilling and CPA Kevin Howe. Long-time staffer and General Manager Mark Blust and Bookkeeper Pat Davis were on hand, along with staffers who helped keep the libations flowing and the fish swimming. Salmon, raw clams and oysters, Sushi, and tray delivered canapes were only a small portion of the delicious foods served. The S.W. Florida Steel Drum Band made a return appearance to this anniversary celebration. Also making a comeback, were more than 50 Timbers' alumni—a complimentary shirt was given to each and everyone of them. Ex-staffer, Eric Vartdal tried to sum up the camaraderie between Matt and Timbers past employees in this light, "We're a family—you always find you're way back to the prodigal father,

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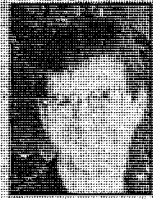
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UP PERISCOPE

The shift from clay tablets to parchment was a big step forward at the time. After all, look at how much more information you could cram into the same space. Not be an archeologist, I can only guess that your average clay tablet was roughly two inches thick. So in your average library, the Book of Genesis would take up about a room — “room” being a technical term in the ancient world for an enclosed space roughly ten cubits by twelve and a half cubits, and five cubits tall — roughly.

It was a good thing that not too many people could read in those days or your grocery receipt would weigh more than the groceries.

So along comes some sharp-thinking chap with limited space who invents parchment. He can now get the entire Book of Genesis into the space of one clay tablet — and that was before the



RENNY SEVERANCE
Executive Editor

invention of the magnifying glass which allowed for even smaller print.

And the race was on — slowly at first, but at a pace that has inexorably accelerated to stunning proportions.

Think of it in terms of familiar distances. If clay tablets were the medium of choice for say 1,500 years we could say that time equals the distance

from the causeway to Bailey’s. Then the parchment distance would stretch from the causeway to about Tahitian Gardens by comparison. Paper would get us to the Bank of the Islands at Casa Ybel and Periwinkle.

Now comes real technology onto the stage in that you need a piece of equipment (not just glasses) to read the stuff. That brings us microfilm which might get you as far as the four-way at Periwinkle and Lindgren. Remember the 5/8 inch floppy disk? That might get

you from the water’s edge as far as the first Priscilla Murphy Realty office on Causeway Rd. Ironically, the 3/8 inch floppy has outlasted the 5/8 by a good margin already, say all the way to the Chamber of Commerce. And experts tell us it could stay with us for a while yet.

Meanwhile the Zip disk and the CD have appeared and together, they might get you as far as the entrance to the boat ramp.

So now comes Migo, a device the size of my thumb (no exaggeration) and it holds something like two gigabytes of data. What’s more, it isn’t just passive data that you read and then process somewhere else — it’s an entire computer by itself, just add monitor and keyboard.

Well, at this point it’s so new that you can’t even finish your first step from the causeway onto the island.

More details about this remarkable development can be found elsewhere in this newspaper and they are worth reading.

But back to various media for the storage of information. Do we run the risk of storing stuff in such different technologies that we can’t get at it anymore?

The point was driven home not too long ago when a friend of mine bought a new computer with all the latest bells and whistles, but unencumbered by any floppy disk drive. That had to be purchased later at an office supply store.

Clearly this is something we average humans have to pay attention to — making sure we can transfer our precious data from one technology to the next.

Although come to think of it, maybe my precious data isn’t so precious after all. Do I really want to look at it again?

Maybe all this technological advance is just another way to force us to clean house from time time? I think Mom would approve.

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HAPPENINGS

UU of the Islands speaker

Rabbi Bruce Diamond of Temple Beth El in Fort Myers will be the speaker this Sunday, Nov. 2, at 7:30 p.m. at the Unitarian Universalists of the Islands fellowship. The meeting will be in Fellowship Hall on the second floor of the Sanibel Congregational Church.

Diamond has a Master's from Hebrew Union College in Cincinnati. He has served many communities in the U.S. and South America as well as serving as chaplain to federal and state penitentiaries and in the U.S. Air Force. He is an interesting speaker who has wide-ranging knowledge of both religious and social topics.

The meeting is open to the public.

Day of Prayer

A convocation will be held at Sanibel Community Church on Sunday evening, Nov. 9, at 7 p.m. to recognize International Day of Prayer for Persecuted Christians. A video will be shown and personal testimonies will be offered as well as information on simple ways to help.

People are asked to bring clean, used washable blankets if they have extras for refugees (plus \$2 each for shipping); donations will be accepted for Life Packs and toward the freeing of slaves in Northern Sudan and prayers will be offered for peace in Jerusalem and other areas where anti-Semitism is on the rise.

For additional information or to partic-

ipate, call Chris Jorgensen at 472-2189.

Admission fees increase

Because of an increase in operating costs, The Bailey-Matthews Shell Museum is raising its admission price.

Effective immediately the fee for Adults will be \$6, for Youths (5-16) \$3, and Children 4 and under will be admitted free.

The Shell Museum is located at 3075 Sanibel-Captiva Road. For further information call the Museum at 395-2233 or (888) 679-6450.

Master Gardeners to meet

The Sanibel-Captiva Master Gardeners' next meeting will be held Tuesday, Nov. 4, at 10 a.m. at Cel Luke's home, 661 Anchor Drive. The meeting is open to the public and free.

Kay Cude will present a program on fall plantings and, for those interested, Luke will lead a tour of her gardens. Call Faye Granberry at 472-6940 or Luke at 472-9281 with name and phone number for reservations by Nov. 3.

Country Festival at Dunes

The Sanibel-Captiva Chamber of Commerce and The Dunes are hosting their second annual, down-home, foot-stompin' and fun-raisin' Hunter's Moon Country Festival hoe-down on Friday, Nov. 7, from 6 to 10 p.m. For \$35, eat all the fried chicken and ribs you want at the chuck wagon, enjoy beer, wine and your

favorite drink special at the full cash bar, participate in lots of line and two-step dancing with world-famous choreographer Melinda Roy, snuggle up with your sweetie on a hayride... lots of old-timey frolicking and fancy-free merriment. Wear your best cowboy and cowgirl attire and take the night off for a good, hog-wild, rollicking good time.

Call 472-1966 for reservations... You'll be glad you did, pardner.

SCA Pilates classes resume

The popular Pilates Mat & Floorwork classes taught by Bonnie Clancy will resume at the Sanibel Community Association Nov. 4. The basic class is available to all, beginners and experienced alike.

A new six-session golf-conditioning class will be presented beginning Nov. 18 at 8 a.m., also at the Community Association, and individual Pilates sessions and a Tuesday night Core Class will be available at the Studio on San-Cap Road by appointment.

Pilates is the fastest growing exercise program in the U.S. because it is a low- to no-impact method that is accessible to all levels of ability. The Pilates Method allows for increased strength and endurance without bulking up, increased aerobic capacity without fast moves, steps or impact, maximum stretching without discomfort, and it improves posture balance and coordination.

Individual walk-in rates for the mat class at the Community Association are still \$12 per class. Tickets for 10 sessions are \$90 (\$80 for SCA members). Classes begin promptly at 9:15 a.m. Tuesday and Thursday mornings.

Participants are asked to bring a mat or blanket; mats will also be available for purchase.

For more information call 472-0116.

P.E.O. luncheon

The Lee County Reciprocity Fall Luncheon for members of 10 Southwest Florida P.E.O. Chapters, the P.E.O. Group, as well as Canadian, European and Winter P.E.O.s and their guests will be held on Saturday, Nov. 8, at 11:30 a.m., at the Palmetto-Pine Country Club, Inc., 1940 SW 9th Court in Cape Coral. A board meeting at 10:30 a.m. will precede the luncheon.

For reservations call Leiana Verwest, 936-6920.

Seniors bazaar

The first Island Seniors Bazaar of the season will be Nov. 15 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. and take place at the Civic Center on Library Way. All kinds of items will be available, from plants and decorative gourds to jewelry, handcrafted goodies and calamondin marmalade. Vendor tales are \$15 for members and \$20 for non-members on a first-come, first-serve basis. Call Yolande Welch at 395-3372 for more information or to rent a table.

At FGCU

Health Promotion for the Mind, Body and Spirit. Continuing on Wednesdays through Dec. 10, this presentation by the FGCU Center for Positive Aging runs from 10 a.m. to noon at the Senior Center in Fort Myers. For more information, contact the Center for Positive Aging at (941) 883-2425.

ICAN seeks bags for auction

The Island Coast AIDS Network is seeking donations of unique and/or designer handbags for "Handbag Happy Hour" on Friday, Nov. 21, from 5 to 7 p.m. at Tetley's Downtown in Fort Myers.

ICAN Board president Cora Molloy says, "We wanted to do something fun and different, something geared towards women. Handbags are all the rage these days and we're hoping this event will help us raise much needed funds."


WINK Radio Personality, Gina Birch and The Downtown Diva will auction off the handbags in a spirited live auction. There will also be a silent auction featuring novelty handbags.

Donated handbags have already come from a wide variety of sources such as Sassy in Naples, Mallie Montgomery in Fort Myers, Chico's, Janet Marie Studios, Jennifer's and The Shell Factory. Private individuals and corporations have also either donated and/or sponsored handbags for the event.

"We have a great relationship with Broadway Cares/Equity Fights AIDS," Molloy said. "They gave us the contact information for stars like Sarah Jessica Parker and Bernadette Peters. We've written them and our fingers are crossed for a donation!"

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BIRTH



Kayla Grace Nette

"Another real estate mogul has arrived." Kayla Grace Nette was born October 22, 2003. She is shown above with her proud parents, Trevor and Kay Nette.

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Matt Asen."

The Timbers not only seas'd the moment to celebrate with friends and patrons but also donated the entire cover charge revenue to The Children's Hospital at Lee Memorial...a grand total of \$3,300. More fun raising activities included the raffle drawing which awarded various cash prizes and the grand prize which was won by Rosemary Meoz of Indiana.

The Timbers has been silently envied by just about every good businessman on these seashell Islands, and with good reason. There is no doubt if Teddy Roosevelt were alive today, he would agree that the Timbers knows how to walk softly and carry a big fish."

THE METASTATIC LIFE

"Work like the money doesn't matter, love like you've never been hurt, dance like no one is watching."

— a garden plaque in a Chautauqua garden

We came to upstate New York to the Chautauqua Institute four days ago, Emily, my mother and me. It was like instantly stepping into another time, a time with no TVs, where no one is in a hurry and total strangers stop to talk to each other about the latest lecture or concert.

Last night we saw a ballet in the outdoor amphitheater and the night before, the symphony. Emily goes every day to camp with all the other sun-drenched kids. Each day her skin is a more golden bronze.

This is a place like no other in the world. People come here to reflect, to listen to lectures, and attend plays and concerts. The grounds are covered with flowers carefully chosen to blend their colors with the ivy and the beautiful ancient trees that tower even above the old Athenaeum Hotel where we are staying.

The hotel is a national landmark build in the 1800s. It is huge and Victorian and sits at the top of a hill overlooking the lake. There are rocking chairs on the wrap around porches and there are hours of every day spent reading and rocking and looking up occasionally to see the children riding their bikes down by the lake, back packs slung over shoulders, faces brown and content.



Lisa Pierot

The last time I was here was 13 years ago when Emily was only three months old.

I was a young mother totally devoted to my two children. I dressed them in matching outfits for dinner and wore flowing dresses that matched my mood of a young newlywed with nothing but a bright and certain future ahead. I walked the hills with ease and laid blankets in the town square so I could watch the girls run in the grass.

Being here again, under such different circumstances is an emotional and heart centered experience. Nothing has changed in the years since I was here, nothing that is except for me. You can't be here and not reflect on life and loss and the bigger questions that the outside world keeps you from in all its fast paced routines.

I walk now with a cane and my steps are labored from the pain in my back. I spend hours reading or sitting in the gardens with the lake breeze lulling me to the most relaxed state I have experienced in years. I look with joy and longing at the new babies and the ancient couples holding hands at the concerts. I nudge my mother or she touches my hand and we both look and smile. No words are necessary.

Life is such an interesting journey. Who's to say who will live to be 98 and

who will die at 30? And somehow here, the length of life seems almost inconsequential compared to the beauty of nature and the knowledge of the hundreds of people who stayed here long ago and left their names on park benches donated in their memory. You can feel such serenity amidst all of the beauty. God is most certainly smiling down on this unique and glorious place.

I told Mom this morning that, were it not for Dad and Anna, I would never want to return to Florida. I am happy here. The air is cool. There are no mosquitoes. I am reading books at an astounding pace and dreaming of ballerinas spinning on their toes with the most perfect grace to their movements. I realize that being here again after so many years is a gift I have given myself. To be here and know myself as I am now, with all my physical limitations and my scars, it is as though my life went by in an instant.

But here it can be broken down into the most special moments, the sweetest memories. Life feels open again. Things are possible. It's all a matter of re-adjusting to circumstances, while at the same time knowing that the flowers still come up every spring, just at they did all those many years ago. It is comforting to know that life goes on, that so much of it stays the same.

This is the better time of my life. I wouldn't trade it for what came before. Just as certainly I wouldn't trade what came before for now. It's an accumulation of experiences, of flowers and breezes and children at this age and then another age altogether. It is an instant. It is an eternity. Until next week.

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OBITUARIES

Robert L. Dormer

Longtime resident of Sanibel Cdr. Robert Leo (Buck) Dormer, USN, Ret., formerly of Glenville, N.C., passed away in Greenwood Village, Col., on Oct. 12, 2003 after a brief illness.



Robert and Ruth Dormer

Dormer was born on July 28, 1914 in Tonawanda, N.Y. to John and Hilda Dormer in Ibstock, England. He joined the Navy in 1930 and quickly advanced in rank, serving on several ships and as chief radioman of the USS Dale, a destroyer-class vessel. During World War II Dormer was the first volunteer with the 10-American Cooperative Organization (ACO) under Adm. Milton M. Miles. There, he performed crypto-logic and radio intelligence operations behind Japanese lines in China. Later in his career, Dormer worked as a specialist in radio and radar intelligence in Turkey and worked with the National Security Agency, Office (NSAPAC).

In 1962 Cdr. Dormer retired with his family to Sanibel where he owned his own real estate brokerage firm, San Carlos Realty and was an active member of St. Isabel Catholic Church. In 2001 he was honored as a lifetime member of the Sanibel-Captiva Lions Club.

Dormer was preceded in death in January by his wife, author and much-respected island historian, former naval intelligence officer Ensign Ruth Elinore (Ellie) Mayer Dormer. He is survived by three sons — Robert R. Dormer of Greenwood Village, J. Michael Dormer of Cashiers, N.C. and Patrick R. Dormer of Fort Myers. He also leaves four grandchildren — Nadia of Fort Collins, and Sarah Grace, Sean and Ross of Greenwood Village.

A memorial service and burial with full military honors is scheduled at Arlington National Cemetery on Jan. 6, 2004 at 9 a.m. In lieu of flowers, the family is requesting donations be made to the Dormers' favorite charity, the Lee County Association of Retarded Citizens (LARC), 2570 Hanson Street, Fort Myers 33901, Please specify the Robert L. Dormer Memorial Fund.

Harriet Maclay Cook Ringel

Sanibel resident Harriet Ringel passed away Oct. 22, 2003.

Born in 1916 to Joseph Edward Cook Sr. and Eleanor Maclay Fisher Cook of Peoria, Ill., she was an honors graduate of Bradley University (Bradley Polytechnic Institute) where she was

president of Lambda Phi (now Pi Beta Phi).

She served as director of Camp Northwoods in Wisconsin, a Girl Scout Golden Eaglet and president of the Peoria Girl Scout Council. After returning from a unique European tour during the war years she became the associate editor of Caterpillar Tractor's News and Views. She served as editor of the Cilco News, was advertising, publicity and display director for Central Illinois Light Company, and an instructor of interior design at her alma mater, Bradley. Very active in her community of Peoria, Ill., she was on the boards of the Junior League, the Peoria Symphony Orchestra and Cornstock Theater, Methodist Hospital League and Bradley University Alumni Association; was a member of the Mayor's Recreation Committee and president of the Recreation Board; and a member of the DAR, Town and Gown, Pi Gamma Mu, K O Phi, Illinois Valley Yacht & Canoe Club; and an elder of the First Presbyterian Church.

After retirement she and her husband moved to Sanibel. Continuing her community involvement, she served as president of the Sanibel-Captiva Art League and was a member of BIG Arts, COTT, PEO, Pi Beta Phi Alumna, the Power Squadron and Saint Michael & All Angels Episcopal Church.

She was preceded in death by her parents and brother, Col. Joseph E. Cook, Jr. and is survived by Charles, her husband of 63 years; two daughters — Kathryn Maclay Riegler of Lake Forest, Ill. and Margaret Macqueen Ringel Baker of Pittsburgh; and one grandson, Charles Maclay Baker of Pittsburgh.

A memorial service will be held at St. Michael's on Saturday, Dec. 6, at 1 p.m. Memorial contributions may be made to BIG Arts or to St. Michael's (Post Office Box 6).

August L. Kraft

August Kraft of Sanibel and Mantoloking, N.J. died Oct. 25, 2003 at home. He was 75. Born in Elizabeth, N.J., he lived in Roselle Park for many years before retiring about 20 years ago and dividing his time between Mantoloking and Sanibel.

Kraft founded Automatic Process Control, Inc. in Union, N.J. and served in the Marines during the Korean Conflict. A communicant of St. Peter's Roman Catholic Church in Point Pleasant Beach, N.J., he is survived by his wife of 50 years, Dorothea; his brother, Karl Kraft of Medford, N.J.; five daughters and their husbands — Cynthia Kraft and Robert Santelli, of Bainbridge Island, Wash., Kathleen and John Borkoski of McCall, Idaho, Pamela and Joseph Fiore of Annapolis Md., Francine and Ronald Sulak of Fairhaven, N.J., and Jacqueline Kraft and Peter Cooper of Westfield, N.J.; and 11 grandchildren — Jaron, Jenna and Jake Santelli, Kali and Austin Borkoski, Jarrett and Kiana Fiore,



Nicholas and Tara Sulak, and Jessica Coral and Hanna Cooper.

A funeral mass was held on Wednesday in Point Pleasant Beach. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorial contributions be sent to Brachial Plexus Palsy Foundation, 210 Spring Haven Circle, Royersford, PA 19468.

Irene Mathilda Claydon

Irene Claydon, 88, of Red Wing, Minn., died Oct. 27, 2003 at Fairview Red Wing Medical Center. Born July 7, 1915 in Red Wing to Daniel and Mathilda (Staiger) Metzler, she graduated from Red Wing Central High School in 1934 and worked as a telephone operator before marrying Charles Claydon in 1941.

She was a member of the Church of St. Joseph, Elk's Lodge, VFW Ladies Auxiliary, Lions Club, Red Wing Country Club, the Women's Study Club and the Rosary Society. She enjoyed flowers and gardening, boating and water-skiing, travel, golf, biking, conchology and crafts.

She is survived by her daughter, Marie Bouquet and her husband, John, of Bloomington; two sons — Stephen Claydon and his wife Susan Walker, of Middletown, Cal. and Richard C. Claydon of Red Wing and his wife, Judy; five grandchildren; one brother, Joseph Metzler of Red Wing and his wife, Carmen; and four sisters — Florence Werlinger and her husband, Joe, of Detroit Lakes, Minn., Josephine Guest of Eau Claire, Wisc. and Gertrude Halverson and Helen Lillyblad of Red Wing.

She was preceded in death by her husband in 2001, one brother, Daniel Metzler, an infant brother and one sister, Margaret Irvin.

A Mass of Resurrection was held Wednesday in Red Wing. Her grandchildren — Christine, Daniel, Gregory and Kathleen Bouquet, Dawn Knutsen, David Brigham and Richard A. Claydon — were honorary pallbearers.

Memorials are preferred to the St. Joseph's Church or School in Red Wing or the Goodhue County Historical Society.

Margaret Justina Chaplin

Margaret Chaplin, age 105, passed away peacefully on Oct. 24, 2003 at Shell Point under the kind and loving care of Hope Hospice and a private duty nurse. Born in Kansas City on Jan. 19, 1898 Chaplin's life spanned three centuries. Her father and mother were of Scotch descent. She had a brother, Robert, and two sisters, Dorothy and Isabelle McWhorter, all of whom preceded her in death.

She spent most of her life in Chicago caring for her mother and father, raising Scottish Terriers and gardening. In Sanibel she was a member of Sanibel Community Church. She enjoyed gardening, painting and ceramics and she believed in hard work, a quiet, balanced life, being truthful, and was always thrifty.

She is survived by her nephew, Robert Chaplin McWhorter. A memorial service will be held at 10 a.m. TODAY at the Shell Point Village Church Chapel.

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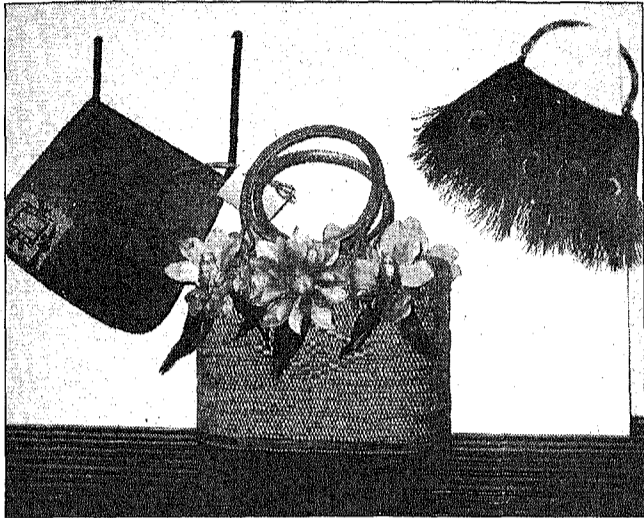
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A few of the handbags up for auction. (left to right): Donated by Chico's, Sassy's Boutique, Janet Marie Studios.

which has been serving the social service needs of HIV/AIDS-infected individuals in Southwest Florida since 1987. ICAN also provides, as an equal part of its vital mission, HIV/AIDS education and prevention services to the wider community in the continuing fight to reduce/eliminate new infections. The organization advocates for the rights and needs of individuals with HIV and AIDS to be treated compassionately, fairly and without judgment.

To make a tax-deductible handbag donation, call Patricia Myers at the Island Coast AIDS Network, 337-2391.

Conference on learning disabilities scheduled

The Spectrum Conference: for Professionals and Parents Caring for the Learning Disabled will be held on Dec. 6, at the Sanibel Community Church.

The featured speaker is Jeff Bradstreet, MD, founder and director of Clinical Programs at the International Child Development Resource Center in Melbourne, and father of a now-recovered autistic child. He will discuss biological treatments for the entire spectrum of learning disorders, including ADD/ADHD, obsessive compulsive disorders, pervasive development disorders, and the autism spectrum disorders. His is a hands-on approach that parents can use at home with their children. He will also address the medical protocols that doctors use to treat the disorders in a physician professional track during the conference. An adjunct professor of neurosciences at Stetson University, and visiting professor of child development at the Southwest College of Naturopathic Medicine, Phoenix, Ariz., Bradstreet is an internationally recognized expert on autism and other learning disorders and is a frequent presenter at the DAN! conferences. He has presented oral and written testimony to the Institute of Medicine and the U.S. Congress.

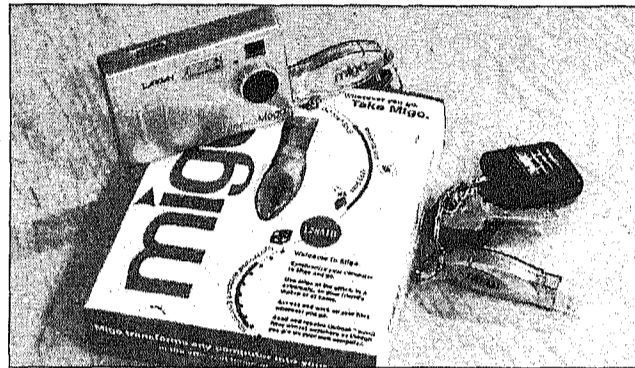
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Computer technology makes another leap

By Renny Severance,
Executive Editor and
Mike Hannan, Staff Writer

Computer technology has just taken another leap forward. As trite as that sounds, it's true. PowerHouse Technologies Group, Inc. is a company based in California, which is marketing Migo, an item about the size and shape of a human thumb. At one end is a USB plug that fits into any standard computer USB port. At the other is an entire computer system, not just a different kind of storage disk with huge capacity, but a complete operating system bundled with applications, such as Microsoft Office.



A Migo is plugged into the USB port on a digital camera. Its relative size can be seen by the key-chain carrying another.

This remarkable device allows the user to copy the entire contents of a personal computer, applications, internet information, data files, the works. It can then be plugged into another host computer and operated as if it were the user's own. In effect, it is a complete computer lacking only a keyboard and a monitor.

For the businessperson who likes to travel light, it means dispensing with even the laptop and just putting this thing on your keychain. When you get to your destination, you borrow a computer, go to a library or a cybercafé and plug in your own computer, using someone else's keyboard and monitor.

After unplugging Migo, the host computer has no record or memory of the visit. That is not to say that this is a stealth device; rather, what Migo does is override the host computer's system, allowing the user to share its computer's peripheral devices, but not to access its files. In essence, the host computer has become a dumb terminal. On the other hand, Migo is synchronize with the owner's computer and even tell the user if someone on the network has accessed or attempted to access, his data.

Migo comes standard with 128 megabytes of memory but can be upgraded to one gigabyte. To put those numbers in perspective 16 megabytes will hold the contents of four Bibles.

In addition to the extraordinary convenience of a computer on a keychain, Chairman and CEO Jay Elliot, notes that the Migo can bring computer accessibility to those parts of the world where PCs are few and far between, but nonetheless available.

Chief Operating Officer and International President Gregory Duffell points to China as a prime example. While personal computers do not abound the way they do in the United States, cybercafes do. There are thousands of them



Photo by Renny Severance
(l-r) Local investor and distributor, Tim Irving, sits with Chairman & CEO Jay Elliot and COO Greg Duffell.

all over China, making the Migo a natural fit for this market and bringing affordable computing to the population.

Three thousand Migos have already been sold, following favorable reviews by about 30 technical writers. The company also has a biometric device, in the beta stage that is similar, but which will focus on highly sensitive data such as financial records, health information, and personal records. This device will come with a very sophisticated fingerprint scanner.

The Migo at this stage of development works in any Windows environment. Soon Mr. Elliot expects that it will also work with Macintosh and Linux systems in the near future.

Jay Elliot is someone who has been around the computer industry for more than 30 years and been an important contributor to its development. He started his career with IBM where he became a director, heading up the 16,000 person software division. He went on to become a director of Intel and subsequently joined Apple Computers in a wide variety of responsibilities, reporting directly to founder and chairman, Steven Jobs.

PowerHouse Technologies is publicly traded over-the-counter and has a group of stockholders located on Sanibel. Elliot was on the island earlier this week to meet with them and bring them up to date on important developments with the company as it gears up for greatly increased sales over the coming year.

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When you put a tenant-occupied house on the market, it is important that you enlist the tenants in the effort to get your house sold. Talk to the tenants first to see if they have a desire and ability to buy the house. If they are not interested in buying, work out with them the ground rules for access to the house. In most cases, the new owners will want the tenants to move and it will be important to work out alternated living arrangements with them, if necessary. Quite often I recommend either a reduction in monthly rent, or an agreement to forgive the last month's rent of the tenant in exchange for tenant cooperation in Realtor showings. In each situation, work hard to create a spirit of cooperation with the tenants.

Margie specializes in Sanibel, Captiva and Ft. Myers real estate. She was named Realtor of the Year by Sanibel and Captiva Assn. of Realtors in 2000 and 2002. Her new book, "How To Make Your Realtor Get You The Best Deal—South Florida Edition" is must reading if you are thinking of buying or selling. Call Margie at PMR 472-1511, or visit her web site at <http://www.MargieDavison.com>.

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TO YOUR HEALTH

Island Nutrition Center offers holistic health information

Story and photos
by Donna T. Schuman
Staff writer

There is more to nutrition than just eating the right types of foods. It involves balancing stress and lifestyle with nutrition to improve health and overall well being according to Carol Simontacchi, a certified clinical nutritionist and owner of the new Island Nutrition Center.

The center held its grand opening Saturday and played host to Sanibel residents interested in taking an holistic approach to nutrition.

The day's events included two free seminars: one by Dr. Linda Stevens, about female hormones and one by Simontacchi on solving problems with fatigue.

Following the seminars, Simontacchi hosted a health fair, complete with blood pressure check, massage therapy, skin consultations and pilates demonstrations.

"I have a passion about teaching people to take care of themselves. The store gives me a wonderful opportunity to chat with people one on one about their health," said Simontacchi.

The center, which opened in July, offers both an information and practical approaches offers to nutrition.

At the Holistic Health Information Center, customers can research various articles, books, journals and other resources dealing with the holistic approach to nutrition.

"I really would like to encourage people to start looking at their health from holistic standpoint and start doing the research," Simontacchi said.

The store offers a variety of organic supplements, skin-care products, food, drinks and snacks including organic wine and beer. The center also offers products for people on low-carb, vegetarian and dairy-free diets.

"It's not just eating right, but bringing the body back into balance," Simontacchi said. "I can tell you to eat right, but if you are under stress, you will put back on the weight."

When season gets rolling, Simontacchi plans to host more in-store seminars and support groups. One of those groups, Wings: Weight Success For A Lifetime, focuses on the holistic approach to nutrition. Dieting and exercise may not work if you suffer from depression, stress or other mood disorders according to Simontacchi.

"Wings is greater than a simple weight loss program," Simontacchi says in the program's newsletter. "We seek to build vibrant health in each Wings student and instructor. Your health is very personal — you are responsible for it."

Simontacchi also plans to start an osteoporosis support group and a nicotine anonymous group.

"That is one of the main reasons I offer one-on-one counseling," she said. "I can look at your lifestyle and correct what is wrong."

The Island Nutrition Center is located at 1633C Periwinkle Way.



Carol Simontacchi, a certified clinical nutritionist opened the Island Nutrition Center last July to offer islanders a holistic approach to nutrition.



In her seminar, "Female Hormones: It's a Balancing Act" Dr. Linda Stevens discussed a more natural way for women to deal with menopause.



At the grand opening, guests could get a massage, skin consultation or have their blood pressure checked by Susan Bluehs, RN.

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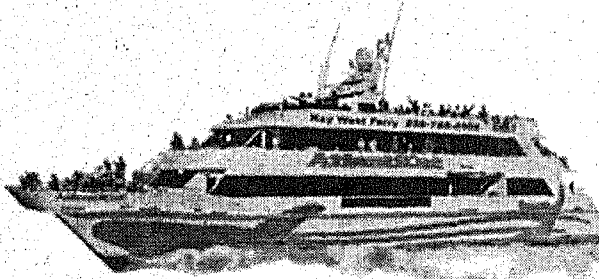
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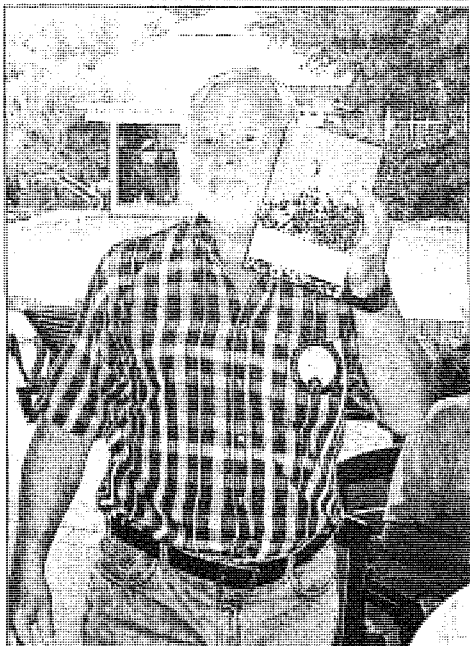
Mike Ellis shows off the plans



Stan Kucaba (r) welcomes Mike "Moon" Murray into Kiwanis. "If any group needs police supervision, it's this one."

Mike Ellis visited Kiwanis to talk about plans for the Children's Hospital, Phases I and II. And the opportunities for naming. Ante up \$25,000,000 and you can name a wing. In fact we'd like to name it after Kiwanis, and, with community support, it will happen this year — if we raise spaghetti dinner prices to \$12,500 a plate. It's the last Saturday in February. Get your reservations early.

While building structure is interesting, the philosophical structure is more so, because it is built on (and will require) the kind of inter-county cooperation we need to see more of. (Mike, in fact, describes the Children's Hospital as "more of a philosophy than a building.") Phase I, now underway, will provide the core services necessary for further expansion and Phase



Proving that there are at least two literate Kiwanians, former mayor Wally Kain pumps his newly released book, *The Nunca Riddle*. Harry Potter, beware.

II is the Children's Hospital itself.

Last year at least 45 kids were turned away because the 18-bed pediatrics unit was overwhelmed. Phase I will add five additional beds this year, but the real goal (perhaps 10 years out) is a facility serving five counties where "no child will be turned away." Ellis predicts a five-county "children's network of care to work with all the hospitals" centered around the soon-to-be-opened pediatric emergency room.

And the Children's Hospital will wear two hats. One a "repair shop" that fixes kids and another centered on prevention and education — child advocacy. How necessary is this? If you want to measure growth in this area's kid population, the schools' ever-increasing building program is a direct reflection of 15-20-percent growth in the number of kids to be served.

In the meantime Mike's looking for a couple \$25,000,000 donors, but Kiwanians suspect only Lions Club members can afford the "easy monthly payments." And, speaking of Lions, Ellis sees equivalent growth in the need for nursing homes as the baby boomers begin to grey. Anticipating Lions monies will be deployed there, Kiwanis may have no



Don Feiner presents a Kiwanis check to Ted Tyson of Angel Flight while President Don Czech mugs for the camera. Angel Flight missions are up 10% this year. They need pilots and airplane volunteers. Call.

choice but to raise our prices and serve \$12.50 spaghetti for the next 1,000 years.

Mike Robison made two happy announcements: 1) His dad, Kiwanian Rob Robison, IS recovering from a serious stroke. "He walked up the steps to my house." And 2) Kiwanis investment in Ronald McDonald House has paid off. Mike's family had occasion to stay there last week while their newborn daughter went through some hard times. She's fine now. Remember to deposit your pop tabs in the Ronald MacDonald House box at Colonial Bank.

Captiva Traders has closed. Their Kiwanis Book Coupons will be honored at Sanibel's Traders or at The Mermaid Kitchen and Cake Factory.

Kiwanis now breakfasts at the Dunes at 7:30 on Tuesday mornings.

ABWA to meet

Want to know more about the Ronald McDonald House? Attend the November meeting of the Sanibel-Captiva chapter of the American Business Women's Association on Tuesday, Nov. 11.

The mission of the Ronald McDonald House of Southwest Florida is to provide families of seriously ill or injured children a place to stay while their child is in the hospital. Ronald McDonald House this is a home-away-from-home that enables the family to stay together and function as a family in an environment of love, strength and support. Opened in 1996, the Fort Myers house is an expression of the warmth and caring of the people in our community. Approximately 175-200 families are served each year through this facility.

Southwest Florida Ronald McDonald House Executive Director Karen Parsley will be the featured speaker at the Sundial meeting. The social hour begins at 5:30 pm in the lounge and dinner is at 6:30. The local chapter of ABWA, a networking and friendship association of business and professional women, meets on the second Tuesday of each month at the Sundial.

If you would like to obtain membership information or would like to attend the November meeting, please call Lisa Cochrane (246-8876). Members of ABWA should call Trudie Kohlbrenner (472-4969) to make reservations. Reservations are required.

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ENVIRONMENT

Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Plan underway

by Karen Nelson
Staff Writer

The ground-breaking for the first project of the Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Plan was held on Thursday, Oct. 16, south of Naples. Part I discussed some of the history of the "River of Grass" vs. the growth of Florida. Part II, which follows, explains Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Plan.

The Everglades supports an ecosystem teeming with an array of plants and animals including 68 threatened or endangered species, among them the Florida panther, the American crocodile and the wood stork.

These wetlands collect a vast amount of rainwater and share it with a growing urban population, filtering and cleansing the water with the plants it nurtures and capturing potential floodwaters like a giant sponge.

The Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Plan includes:

Fresh water storage

- Reservoirs, encompassing approximately 180,000 acres and two rock mining areas, will capture and store fresh water now lost to the sea-
- More than 300 wells will be built to store water 1,000 feet underground in vast, porous limestone aquifers where it will not be subject to evaporation and will be available for later use.

- Underground barriers will manage underground seepage and drastically reduce the million of gallons of groundwater lost each year as it seeps away from the Everglades toward the eastern coast.

Water treatment

- Approximately 35,600 acres of man-made wetlands — in addition to the 44,000 acres constructed under the Everglades Forever Act — will be built to treat urban and agricultural runoff before it is discharged to natural areas.
- Wastewater treatment plants will provide additional freshwater flow to Biscayne Bay and recharge the Biscayne Aquifer.

Restoring sheetwater flow

- More than 240 miles of canals and levees will be removed to restore a more natural overland flow of water through the Everglades.
- Operational changes will be made to the way water is delivered by the flood control system to alleviate extreme fluctuations of water levels and improve the timing of water flows.

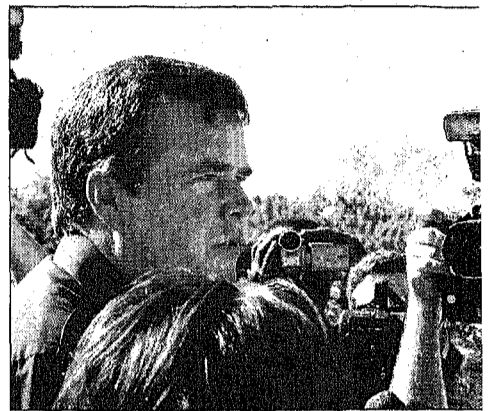
The estimated cost of the 30-year project is \$8.4 billion, to be shared by the Federal government and the state.

CERP and the islands

While the Southern Golden Gate

Estates Restoration will not directly affect this area, Dr. Steve Bortone, Executive Director of the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation Marine Lab, explained by phone that there are "a bunch of issues" that affect will this area.

Caloosahatchee management will involve controlling the volume, the timing of releases and the quality of the water, all of which will directly affect local waters. In addition, plans call for restoring the oxbows that historically were part of the Caloosahatchee flow. When the river was straightened, these became disconnected, stagnant pools. The Caloosahatchee historically provided a variety of habitat and reconnecting the oxbow pools to the river will restore that diversity.



Photos by Karen Nelson

Above: Gov. Bush talks with the media.

Below: A crossroads in the Everglades.



The CERP also calls for restoration of overall drainage in the area, which will affect the surface water running into creeks, rivers and shorelines. There will be restoration of some of the smaller creeks and also of isolated wetlands. And, as the biological diversity of surrounding areas is restored, biological diversity will increase in those areas as well.

Bortone noted that there has been some shuffling of priorities and that the restoration of Lake Trafford to the northeast, which was originally scheduled to be the first CERP project, as been put on the back burner and some of the East Coast projects moved up.

He is also concerned about the plans for below-ground water storage, which has never been done on such a large scale before. There are small-scale uses and it's being tested in Lee and Collier counties but he feels "we need to explore it carefully. It's a one-way mistake if it doesn't work and very hard to correct." There are concerns about water quality but also about the stress that would be created on the substrata as water is repeatedly pumped in and sucked out; the long-term impact of that stress is unknown. He noted that some engineers feel that it's not a problem; others disagree.

Restoring water quality

In October 2003, Florida began operating one of six planned water treatment marshes to clean water flowing into the Everglades. This 17,000-acre wetland is the largest man-made wetland in the world and uses advanced "green" technol-

ogy to naturally cleanse phosphorus from the water before it enters the Everglades. Florida has constructed five of the six marshes within the last four years; the sixth, the responsibility of the Federal government, is now under construction.

The treatment marshes along with improved farming practices have reduced phosphorus by more than twice the amount required by law. In July 2003 Florida adopted a criterion of 10 parts per billion for phosphorus in the Everglades and, in 2001, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection established a pollution limit for Lake Okeechobee — the Total Maximum Daily Load — of 140 metric tons per year. In 2000, the Lake Okeechobee Restoration Investment Act became law, committing \$38 million to clean up pollution in water flowing from farms into Lake Okeechobee.

During 2001 and 2002, over 12,000 native plants were planted in the northern region of Lake Okeechobee by staff from the South Florida Water Management District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, DEP, other state and Federal agencies and many private citizens.

At the groundbreaking, Gov. Jeb Bush termed the CERP, "the largest environmental restoration in the world... Restoration of America's Everglades is becoming a reality — years ahead of schedule and tens of millions of dollars under budget. Florida's commitment to the restoration and protection of this natural treasure remains steadfast."

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At the Refuge

• Reading at The Refuge starts Nov. 4

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Starting Nov. 4th and continuing through April 27, you can bring your family and/or guests to the Education Center every Tuesday at 10 a.m. to hear an exciting book followed by a program highlighting an animal in our estuarine ecosystem. The program is appropriate for Pre-K through 8th grade but everyone is welcome to attend. There will be a new topic each week. Call the Education Center for a list or other questions — 472-1100 Ext. 222.

The J.N. "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge is administered by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service whose mission is to conserve, protect and enhance fish and wildlife, and their habitats.

• Breakfast on the Bay

The early bird gets the worm... the early vacationer gets the doughnut. —Tarpon Bay proverb

Since experts agree that breakfast is the most important meal of the day, the folks at Tarpon Bay Explorers invite you to join them on their newest tour, "Breakfast on the Bay." Spend the morning with an experienced naturalist exploring the tranquil waters of Tarpon Bay, in the heart of the J.N. "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge. You'll cruise aboard a 26-passenger pontoon boat in search of amazing wildlife — egrets, herons, ibis, dolphins and more. Plus, you'll enjoy complimentary coffee, orange juice and fresh gourmet pastries along the way. It's the perfect way to beat the crowds and enjoy one of the most beautiful settings on Sanibel.

Cruises depart Tuesdays and Thursdays at 9 a.m. and return at 10:30. Call 472-8900 for information and reservations.

Sleep tight and see you in the morning! Tarpon Bay Explorers is located at the north end of Tarpon Bay Road. It is a licensed concessionaire of the J.N. "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge, providing recreational and educational opportunities to the public under contract with the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service.

Total eclipse on Nov. 8

There will be a total eclipse of the moon on the evening of Nov. 8. Lunar eclipses occur when the moon passes into the earth's shadow. Because of the tilt of the moon's orbit, it usually passes above or below the shadow that the Earth projects away from the sun. At certain times during the year, the moon is aligned with the earth and sun and eclipses are possible.

On Friday, Nov. 7, at 7 p.m., Moonlight Madness is a special evening showing of our popular live sky talk. From the comfort of the planetarium, learn how to read a star map and the location of stars and planets in the evening sky. Patrons receive information about the total lunar eclipse the next night. \$5 non-members; free to members.

On Saturday, Nov. 8, at 7 a special 30th anniversary edition of the classic laser show, Pink Floyd's Dark Side of the Moon, will usher in the lunar eclipse. Totality begins at 8:06 pm, so patrons can enjoy the show and not miss any of the action. Admission is \$5 for members, \$10 for non-members. The \$10 ticket includes a free pass to visit the Nature Center. Seating limited to 90.

Call 275-3435 to pre-register for either or both programs.

New president elected

The following trustees of the Calusa Nature Center and Planetarium were recently installed as new executive officers of the organization for the 2003-2004 fiscal year:

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other books and founder and director of the Georgiana Institute will address the latest research on the implications of auditory imbalances in the spectrum, and how Auditory Integration Training (AIT) has helped correct these imbalances and distortions.

Breakout sessions will be conducted by Carol Simontacchi, author of *The Crazy Makers: How the Food Industry Is Destroying Our Brains and Harming our Children*, and Barbara Lindner, M.Ed, Occupational Therapist with Therapeutic Integration Services Inc. Simontacchi will speak on the influence of nutrition on learning disorders, and Lindner will discuss sensory integration and learning disorders.

The all-day conference is co-sponsored

Parking on Sanibel

- No roadside parking permitted on Sanibel, except in designated parking areas.
- Oversized vehicles are permitted to park in the Trost parking area on the east side of Tarpon Bay Road and Bowman's Beach in designated area.
- Overnight parking is prohibited in all residential / restricted parking areas.

Parking Permit Information

Vehicle Registration is Required

- Beach access parking permits are available at the Sanibel Police Department, Sanibel City Hall, 800 Dunlop Road during regular working hours.

Permits must be affixed to the lower front windshield on the passenger side.

Parking decals/fees:

"A"	Resident Permit:	\$10 with proof of residency
"B"	Restricted Permit:	\$10 if non-resident property owner \$80 non-resident
"C"	Restricted Permit:	\$80 resident and non-resident
"A/C"	Restricted Permit:	\$90 resident
"B/C"	Restricted Permit:	\$90 non-resident property owner \$160 non-resident

General Parking	\$2 per hour or any fraction
General Parking Gulfside	\$2 per hour or any fraction or "C" permit only
City Park (Algiers),	
Boat Ramp, Causeway Parking Lot	\$3 Transfer or reissue (residential & restricted)

Cost of permits will remain the same throughout the year.

Requirements for obtaining "A" Property Owner Permits one of the following is needed:

- Valid Florida driver's license showing a Sanibel address.
- Lee County voter registration card showing a Sanibel address.
- Declaration of Domicile showing a Sanibel address.
- Tax bill showing homestead exemption for property on Sanibel.

Requirements for obtaining "B" Property Owner Permits one of the following is needed:

- Tax bill for property on Sanibel.

Parking regulations are strictly enforced \$50 fine for illegal parking If paid before 15 days fine will be reduced to \$35.

Revised June 6, 2003

The annual Beach Permits will go on sale November 1, 2003. This application can also be obtained on the internet.

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victim advocates, law enforcement officers, and others. Children and toddler fashions will also be shown.

Sponsored by Tanger Factory Outlet Mall, the Holiday Fashion Show will be held Saturday, Nov. 15, at Brixz Grill & Bistro from Noon until 2:30 p.m.

Preview the latest fashions for the holidays with a \$25 per person donation. For ticket information, call Julie Dettrey, 454-8378, or Judi Durant, 768-4374.

Your attendance supports the Victim Services Coalition, a not-for-profit organization that focuses on assisting victims of crime and the education and training of professionals in the field of victim assistance.

Brixz is located at 3853 McGregor Boulevard, Fort Myers. Seating is limited so get your tickets today!

by Island Nutrition Center of Sanibel, FL and Integrative Therapeutics Inc. of Wilsonville, OR, and is presented by the Parish Nurse Program. Pre-registration is required. Cost is \$20; \$12 for each additional family member. Lunch and beverages will be provided.

For more information and to receive a registration form, please call 472-4499 (Carol Simontacchi), or 254-1456 (Kathy Meyer).

Holiday Fashion Show

Get ready for the festive season by having lunch with the Victim Services Coalition at a Holiday Fashion Show featuring local guest models Sheriff Rodney Shoap, State Attorney Stephen Russell,

SCCF Golf Tournament surpasses expectations

By Marge Meek

The 3rd annual Sanibel-Captiva Golf Tournament scored a big win this past Saturday, both for fun and money raised. "We beat our budget soundly, had a lively tournament, including a sudden death play-off, enjoyed great food, met new friends and welcomed back old friends. It was a great tournament," said Erick Lindblad, executive director of SCCF.

The party began Friday night at The Bungalow with gourmet food, provided by their new chef Greg Nelson. Brian Cunningham and the rest of the staff set the place up for a party and a party happened, with player introductions and gentle taunts about certain people's golf games.

Saturday just as the sun was coming up 110 players pulled into The Dunes parking lot and headed for the driving range. After a continental breakfast everyone headed out for a competitive game of golf.

Unfortunately, no one won the Mustang at 17th hole due to bad luck and a stiff wind, but there is a large supply of golf balls in the water, so it was not for the lack of trying to go straight at the pin.

While waiting for all the warriors to finish their 18, the putting contest was held. A special course was set up, complete with foliage and sand traps, but that didn't bother Rocky Cantalupo. He sunk his putt for first prize, with second prize going to Kip Buntrock.

The Dunes outdid themselves in service and food; chicken, meatloaf (requested by some committee members) and grouper filled plates to overflowing. Kevin McCune and his staff are to be congratulated for the extra effort they put into making the event a memorable one. Players were heard to be planning their strategy for next year's event, so it looks like the 2-person handicap flight scramble is here to stay.

The islands have fund-raisers going on all the time. They are made special by the people who work on them and the sponsors who support the cause. SCCF is blessed with exceptional support and great volunteers who make it happen. This event was no exception, so thank you all many times over. What a great place to live!



Editor's Note —

As we go to press, the latest estimate showed almost \$14,000 raised to benefit SCCF. Marge Meek reports this is nearly twice what was raised by this event last year.

And the winners are...

A FLIGHT

- 1st Sonny Cothran 62
Jerry Muench
- 2nd Lenny Cosentino 64
Lee Constantino
- 3rd Kevin McCune 65
Bill Horowitz

B FLIGHT

- 1st Rinn Newmeyer 65
Brian Brust
- 2nd Steve Taub 68
Scott Messinger
- 3rd Jim George 68
Jim Fjelstad

C FLIGHT

- 1st Jackie Martin 68
GG Robideau
- 2nd Craig Albert 71
Mike Valiquette
- 3rd Terry Lautenbach 73
Art Cassell

D FLIGHT

- 1st Bill Hughes 74
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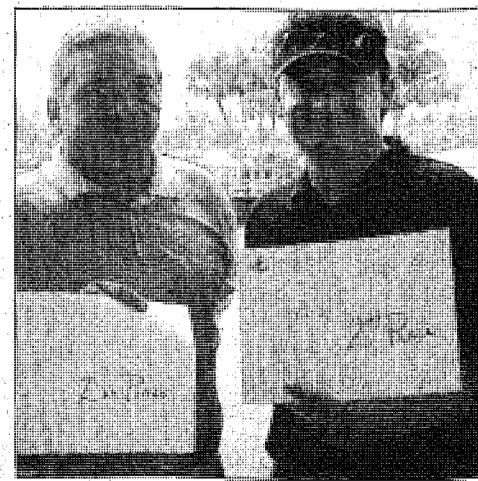
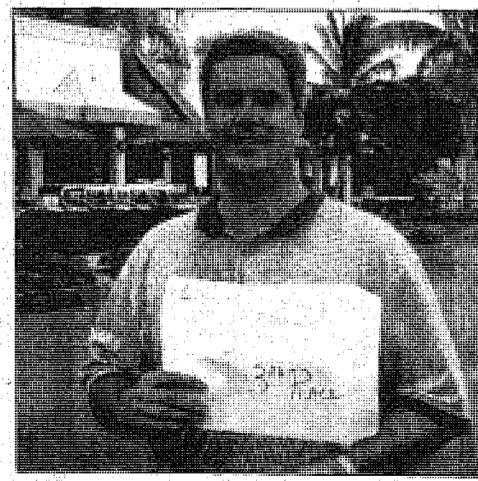
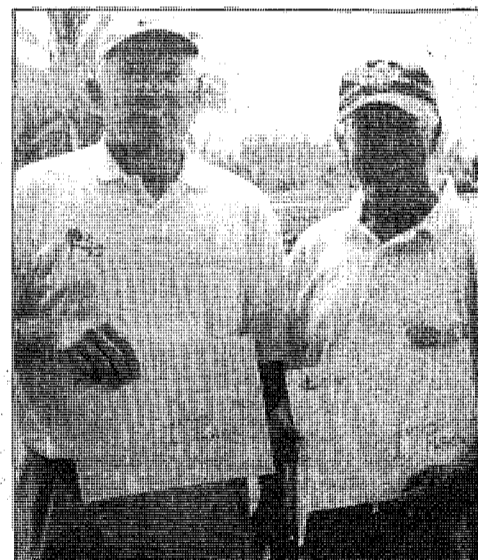


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Kasten wins Nationals in St. Pete

By Karen Nelson
Staff Writer

Sanibel Shell Station owner Ken Kasten, racing with Team Vixen, won the GMC Pro Grade National Championship in the P5 class in St. Petersburg on Saturday, Oct. 18. Kasten is the driver for Mel Voss's *Vixen*, a 27-foot Magnum with an 800 hp Voss racing engine. Dave Howard is the throttle man and Mel Voss is the owner and crew chief.



The weather was good for the power boat race but with 40 boats in the water when the P5 race was run, it was rough. During the pace lap, Kasten spent the "whole time trying to get inside on the start — the inside is the shortest. Halfway through the pace lap, we were still on the outside. We dropped back and drove through to the inside, crossing all the wakes and coming in between the pace boat and the boat that had the inside. We were going 70 mph, bouncing over the wakes, with three feet separating us on either side from the other two boats, but we took the inside."

Joker, the main contender with *Vixen* in Sarasota last August, came with a new, faster boat and they pulled away on the start.

With *Joker* in the lead, "we were racing *Carabbas*. On the second lap, going into turns one and two — we were right in front of the pier — we took the inside on *Carabbas* and left them in the dust. We were really tight to the markers and they were wide and we opened a 500 foot lead in those two turns.

"We caught *Joker* on the next lap and for the next two laps, we were leading *Joker* by a little and *Carabbas* by a lot. When we were on the fifth lap, way out on the back

stretch, the yellow flag went out and we saw our pace boat towing a bat boat across the course. There was an F1 boat in front of me and *Joker* was behind and *Carabbas* came through wide open and passed us all."

At the end of the race, Kasten was 500 feet behind *Carabbas* and never caught up. However, *Carabbas* was disqualified for disregarding the yellow, and Kasten's *Vixen* won the race.

The Worlds, previously scheduled for Key West, have been relocated to Orange Beach in Alabama and they start Nov. 17, with races on Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday. *Vixen* has won the Offshore Power Boat Racing Association's Gold Cup (to be awarded in November to the boat with the best performance in all four Florida races). *Joker* is the Mid-Atlantic champ and *Carabbas* was second in points in Florida.

Kasten is looking forward to the Worlds, with racers coming from France, Australia, Norway, Sweden and South Africa. There were about 80 boats at the Nationals; there will be 100 at the Worlds. Kasten also noted that hospitality in Alabama for big horsepower motor sports is phenomenal, you're "treated like royalty."

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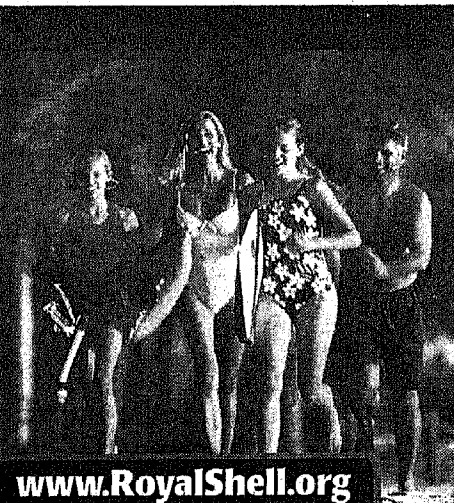
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Traders final site for charity bartenders

By Terri Blackmore
General Manager

After six weeks of raising money for good causes in Sanibel's greatest restaurant/bar establishments, barhopping for bucks comes to a close.

Traders Cafe hosted the final Celebrity Bar Promo for 2003 on Oct. 24 with Anne Joffe and Michael Billheimer doing the honors behind the bar. A generous crowd came with heavy pocketbooks and left somewhat lighter after drinking, socializing and supporting the night's charities: The Bailey-Matthews Shell Museum and The Children's Hospital.

Joffe, she who sells sea shells near Sanibel's seashore, is an expert in the art of

picking and knowing shells, and she had no trouble learning how to pour a satisfying drink. She mixed and mingled with the crowd just as though this was her thing and she'd done it many times before.

Billheimer, an island restaurateur for many years, fit right in based on past experience. As he arrived for his shift, he yelled out, "Where's the time clock? I'm ready to roll."

As the evening proceeded, the duo kept up the pace of a busy bar with the professional assistance of staff bartender April McCambridge. Their gratuities total \$1,432 to date.

Could their experience as Chamber of Commerce board presidents (Mike past, Anne present) have something to do with

their great following? Colorful attendees included author Randy Wayne White, author Harlin E. Wittkopf, who has just co-authored a postcard book with Joffe, and retail moguls, Helene and Marvin Gralnick, owners of Chico's and Traders.

This second round of charity fundraising events has grown into a huge success in only a year. It not only generates monies for needy causes, but businesses buzz the night of each event in the slow sultry days of September. Applause to so many great faces in the community who repeatedly attended many more than one of the promotions. A special thanks to the islands' great restaurants for their hospitality and cooperation and the celebrity barkeeps: The American Legion Post 123 (David & Lee Horton);

Matzaluna's Italian Kitchen (Marguerite Burns & Renny Severance); Thistle Lodge (Jean Baer, Brian Murty & Damon Craig); Pippins (Tim Murty & Craig Albert); Timbers/Sanibel Grill (Steve Greenstein); The Jacaranda (Ellen Lai & Bob Janes); McT's Shrimp House & Tavern (Barb Rich & Tracy Markwalter); Beaches at Sundial (Mayor Steve Brown); The Seafood Factory (Gilda & Jo Suarez); The Dunes (Victor Mayeron & Kevin McCune); Chadwick's (Rene Miville & Chris van der Baars), Ellington's (Mary Jo Bogdon and Matt Asen), and Traders (Anne Joffe and Mike Billheimer). Their total take for charity? — over \$15,000 vs \$6,000 for 2002. Take a minute or two to rest... we'll see you out and about patronizing these fine establishments. And, we'll catch you during next fall's Celebrity Fundraiser.

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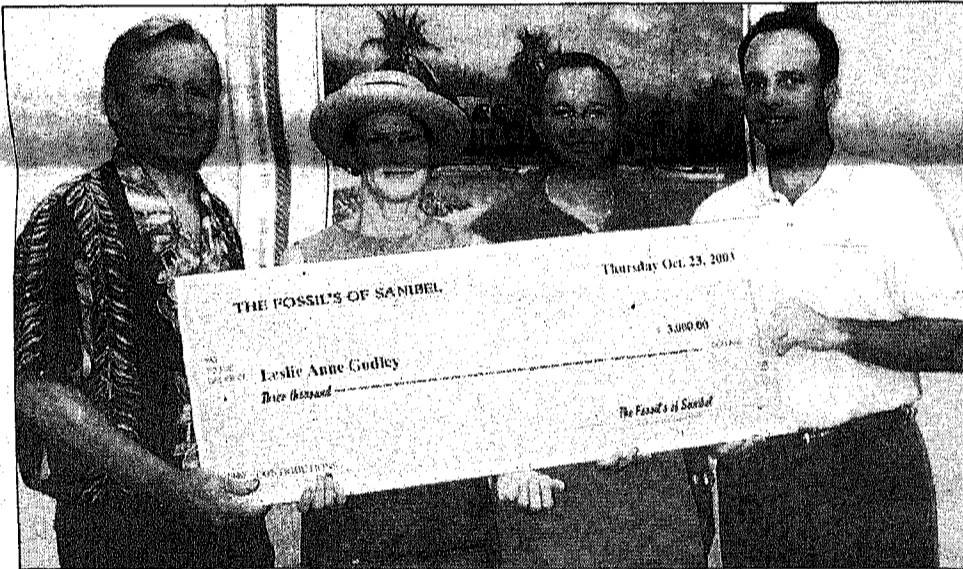
Fossils retire and donate balance

The Fossils Club of Sanibel was started in 1995 by Ken Boyce. With as many as 50 members in a given year, the club has generated over \$39,600 for individuals in need and charitable organizations.

It made its last annual donation to the special cancer fund for Leslie Anne Godley set up with the help of the Sanibel-Captiva Community Bank to help

the local cancer patient with her mounting medical bills.

The Fossils are ceasing operations and transferring a total of \$14,975 to the Sanibel-Captiva Community Foundation. Future donations to the Fossils should be made through the Sanibel-Captiva Community Foundation, in the name of the Fossils.



Fossils of Sanibel President Ken Boyce, Leslie Anne Godley, Fossils club Secretary Kip Buntrock and Sanibel-Captiva Community Bank President Craig Albert display a check for \$3,000 presented to Godley to help with her medical bills.

CHAMBER NOTES

• Business & Retail Expo deadline

The deadline is Nov. 1 for last year's participants to re-sign for this year's Business & Retail Expo. If you have not signed up by that date, your space will be given to those on the waiting list.

• New member

A new business has joined the Chamber by the name of Chamber Publications. They are selling space in a Restaurant & Activities Guide publication to be distributed on the islands.

The Sanibel-Captiva Islands Chamber of Commerce does not directly benefit from any ad you may place in the publication, nor is it in any way endorsing, recommending or encouraging any member to advertise. Decisions to place ads should be based entirely on marketing needs and budgetary concerns.

The proposed publication has been reviewed and deemed eligible for distribution at the Visitor Center under certain conditions, the same as other publications of its kind, including maps, golf guides, etc. Chamber

Publications is not a division of, project of, or owned in any way by the local Chamber of Commerce.

• The Sanibel-Captiva Islands Chamber of Commerce will hold its monthly Box Lunch on Tuesday, Nov. 11, from 11:30 a.m. until 1 p.m. at the Sanibel

Community Center. Island Cow will provide the lunch.

Representatives from the Lee County Electric Cooperative will address the attendees on how electric service to the islands is being upgraded and improved. There will also be a question and answer period for those concerned about power to their homes and businesses.

Tickets for the lunch are \$10 and reservations must be in by 5 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 7. After that date and at the door, the cost is \$14.

The Chamber hosts the monthly Box Lunch on the second Tuesday of every month. If you would like to help cater the luncheon at future dates, please call Ava at 472-1080, ext. 225.

• BIG Arts will host the November AfterHours on Monday, Nov. 17, at their location on Dunlop Road, from 5:30 to 7 p.m. Reservations must be made by 5 p.m. Friday, Nov. 14, for all attending. There is a \$5 charge for guests.

Chamber AfterHours is held on the third Monday of each month at 5:30 p.m. Members, prospective members and guests are invited to attend. For more information on attending or hosting an AfterHours, call Ava at 472-1080, Ext. 225.

Call 472-1966 for reservations to either event or e-mail your reservation to Office@sanibelcaptiva.org.

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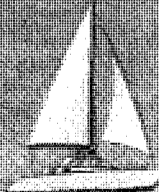
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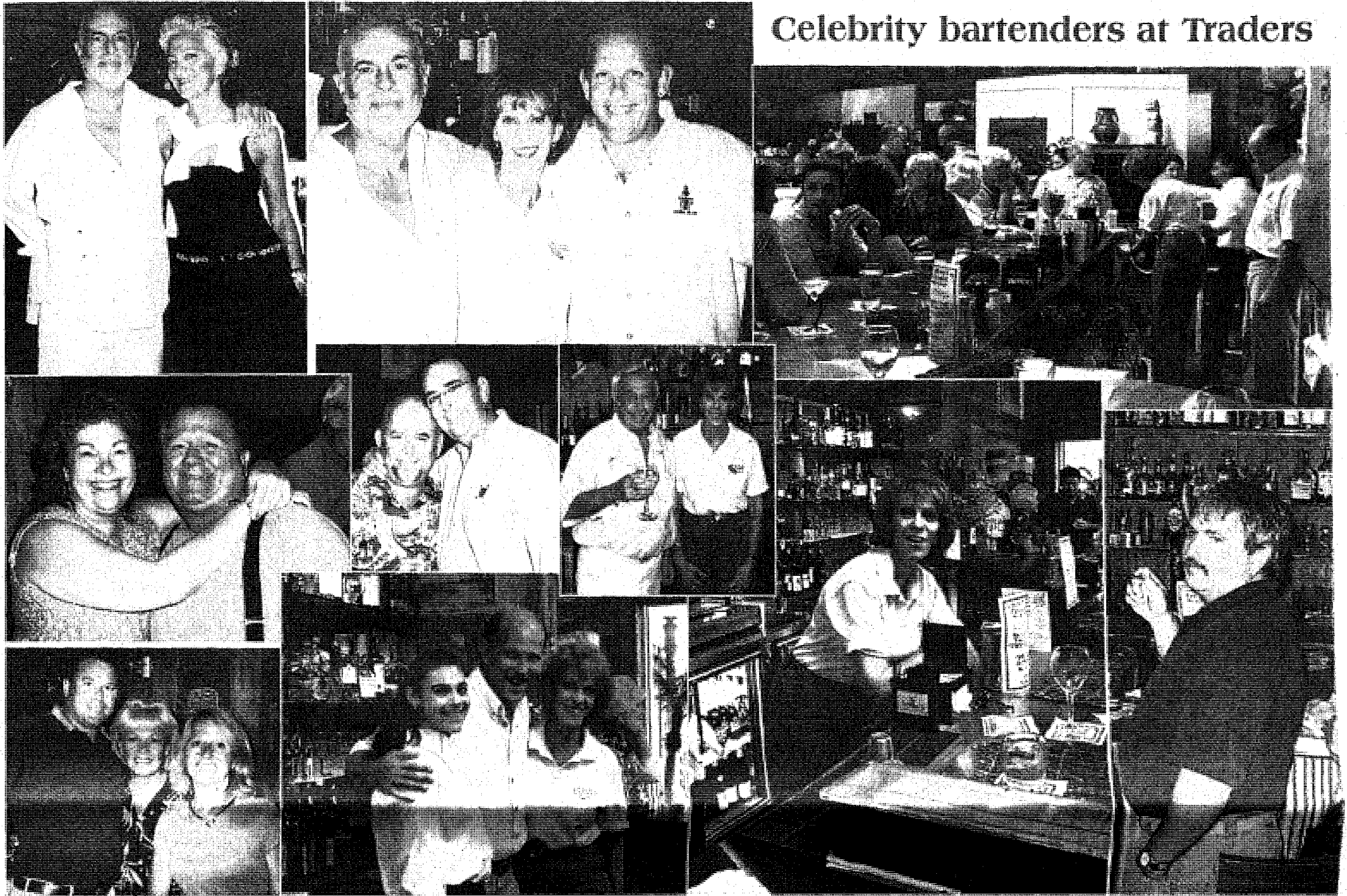
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Another sunny day is in store for us today.		Mostly sunny today with a possible isolated shower.	

WEEKEND TIDES				
City	Sat. High	Sat. Low	Sun. High	Sun. Low
Cape Coral	2:56 a.m.	10:42 a.m.	3:19 a.m.	10:30 a.m.
Bridge	4:32 p.m.	10:29 p.m.	4:36 p.m.	9:51 p.m.
Captiva at Redfish Pass	12:46 a.m.	7:26 a.m.	1:09 a.m.	7:14 a.m.
Fort Myers	3:49 a.m.	11:24 a.m.	4:12 a.m.	11:12 a.m.
	5:25 p.m.	11:11 p.m.	5:29 p.m.	10:33 p.m.
Mallacha Pass	2:24 a.m.	10:08 a.m.	2:47 a.m.	9:56 a.m.
	4:00 p.m.	9:55 p.m.	4:04 p.m.	9:17 p.m.
Pineland	1:22 a.m.	9:06 a.m.	1:45 a.m.	8:54 a.m.
	2:58 p.m.	8:53 p.m.	3:02 p.m.	8:15 p.m.
Point Ybel	-	7:28 a.m.	12:14 a.m.	7:16 a.m.
	1:27 p.m.	7:15 p.m.	1:31 p.m.	6:37 p.m.
Punta Rassa	12:40 a.m.	7:21 a.m.	1:03 a.m.	7:09 a.m.
	2:16 p.m.	7:08 p.m.	2:20 p.m.	6:30 p.m.
St. James City	1:11 a.m.	7:56 a.m.	1:34 a.m.	7:44 a.m.
	2:47 p.m.	7:43 p.m.	2:51 p.m.	7:05 p.m.

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84/65 Sat
83/65 Sun

PUNTA GORDA
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83/66 Sun

BOCA GRANDE
84/69 Sat
83/73 Sun

PIKE ISLAND
84/69 Sat
83/68 Sun

CAPE CORAL
85/65 Sat
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FORT MYERS
84/65 Sat
84/67 Sun

LEHIGH ACRES
86/62 Sat
84/68 Sun

IMMOKALEE
87/61 Sat
86/65 Sun

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84/70 Sat
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84/68 Sat
83/71 Sun

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JACKSONVILLE	78/60
KEY WEST	84/77
KISSIMMEE	82/65
MIAMI	85/73
ORLANDO	82/65
PANAMA CITY	72/58
PENSACOLA	68/58
SARASOTA	82/65
ST. PETERSBURG	82/65
TALLAHASSEE	78/65
TAMPA	82/65
VERO BEACH	82/68
WEST PALM BEACH	87/67

SATURDAY SUNRISE 7:33 AM

SATURDAY SUNSET 6:52 PM

Arts & Leisure

~Playhouse to reopen~



America's most notorious intern appears with the object of her affection, former President Bill Clinton who, with cigar in hand sings, "I'm just a guy who can't say no."

But Democrats aren't all the show pokes fun at. Among other targets are cosmetic surgery, golf, country club life, memory loss, seasonal traffic, restaurant reservations, menus and more.

The setting for *Give My Regards to Florida* is, of course, Florida — complete with paper maché palm trees, a backdrop of the sun setting into the gulf, and balloon fish, sea horses, and shells not only on stage but all around the theatre.

Labeled a "fun-filled evening of laughter and song," the production is mounted by



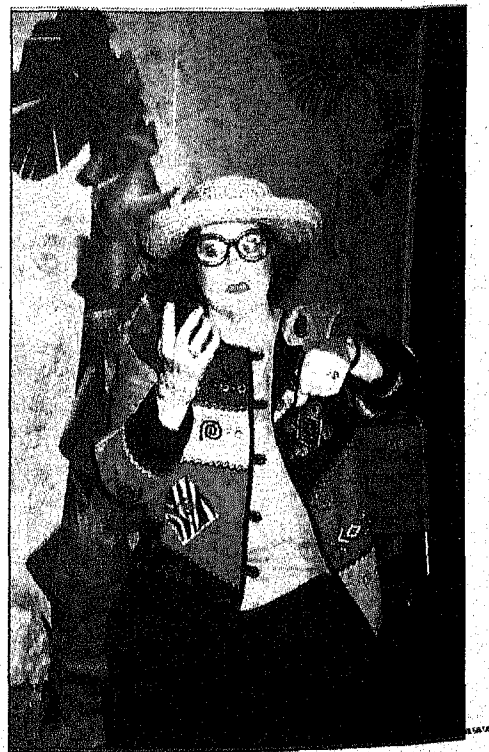
~What do Monica Lewinsky, Viagra, Marilyn Monroe and road rage have in common? They're all targets in the parody, *Give My Regards To Florida*, a musical revue opening at SCA's Periwinkle Playhouse Saturday, Nov. 1, at 8 p.m.

"Being as Republican-dominated as they are, the people in Southwest Florida get a special kick out of our segment on Lewinsky and Clinton," said Leslie Jureit, director of the revue. Wearing the now-signature beret on her head and clasping a book,



the Naples-based Center Stage Productions. Established in 1993, Center Stage is operated by Jureit, who devotes most of her time to behind-the-scenes roles, and Cindy Mueller, an actress/singer/pianist who wrote and co-stars in the show.

"We call ourselves an on-site entertainment production company," Jureit said. "We take a variety of shows to private country clubs and residential communities from Marco Island all the way up to Tampa."



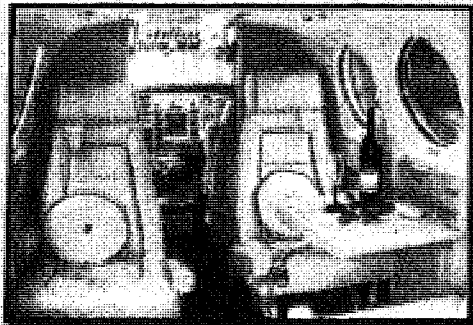
Give My Regards is a two-woman show starring Mueller and actress Betsy Bennett, also of Naples, with three different piano accompanists throughout the run. They are Lucille Gaita of Marco Island, Jae Kellogg and Julie Schaffer of Naples.

Phyllis Bator of the Marco Island Sun Times commented, "Both performers are sensational singers and actors in addition to being able to bring the audience into the show." Bator also said, "This is a show that should be seen throughout Florida. It's that good."

The show runs through Nov. 14 with performances Wednesdays through Saturdays at 8 p.m. and Sundays at 3. Tickets are \$17. For reservations and further information, call the Periwinkle Playhouse at 472-0324.

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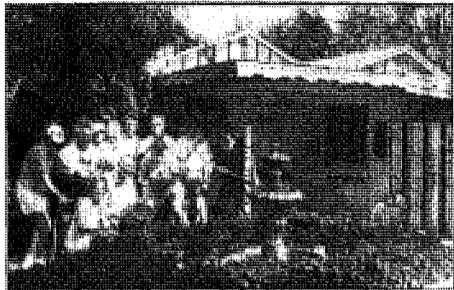
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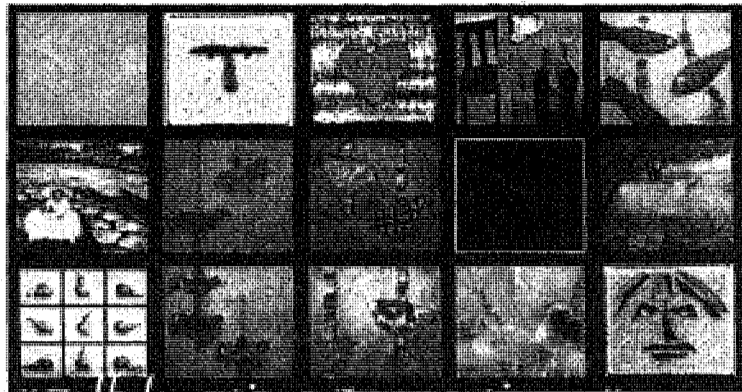
On Monday morning this week a small army of board members and friends of the Old Schoolhouse Theater Foundation descended on the grounds of the theater to spruce them up in anticipation of *Can't Help Singing's* opening night tonight. While the cast rehearsed for this week's opening, the erstwhile gardeners were busy trimming, planting, cleaning, and raking. The enthusiastic participation of the group reflected the enthusiasm of the board for the new season at the Old Schoolhouse Theater.

"We are excited and looking forward to this season," said Ginny Fleming, president of the Foundation. "John Vessels and Jeffrey Searles have been working closely with J.T. to put together an opening show and a complete season that will be a hit for island residents and visitors."

Can't Help Singing—a Jerome Kern Songbook, starring John Vessels and Jeffrey Searles along with Katie Stefanic and Jen Jurek opened to a sold-out preview performance for OSTF members last night; opening night for the public is tonight. For tickets, call 472-6862.

Tower Gallery season opener

The Tower Gallery, a cooperative of 23 artists located at 751 Tarpon Bay Road, has planned a very special opening show and reception on Saturday, Nov. 8, from 5 to 9 p.m.



Collaborations / Innovations will feature a series of 12-inch-by-12-inch pieces created by the gallery's artists. The concept is to create modular, uniform pieces in such a way that each individual piece, when hung together becomes a part of a much larger work of art. The art can be purchased individually or as a group; or one can pick and choose between all the modular pieces to create an individual work of art.

As one of the most diverse galleries in Southwest Florida, the gallery represents an assorted body of work, ranging from raku pottery, art glass, fine-art furniture, hand-painted wooden bowls and handcrafted jewelry to paintings, drawings, photography and sculpture.

Collaborations / Innovations — A Very Special Show will hang throughout the month of November. For more information, call 472-4557 or visit our web site: www.towergallery-sanibel.com.

At the Beach Galleries

With fall activities in full swing at the Fort Myers Beach Art Association, new exhibits are going up this week in their galleries. The Fall Judged Show, sponsored by Anthony's on the Gulf, will open on Nov. 7 with awards being presented at a reception from 2-4 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 16. This show, open to all members, will be judged by artist Pat Weaver from Dade City and will be on exhibit in the Main Gallery until Dec. 10.

Weaver, who is teaching an Indoor Watercolor Workshop Nov. 10-14, will be giving a "Watercolor Demonstration" on Sunday, Nov. 9, at 4:30 p.m. The demonstration is open to the public for a donation of \$3. There are still a few openings and interested artists can call Aleca Cobb at 466-5429 for further information.

In Studio 2 Gallery, artist Bonnie Bohn will have an exhibit of her paintings from Nov. 6-26. This showing will show Bohn evolved as an artist by exhibiting early as well as newer works. She worked in oils while attending Layton School of Art in Wisconsin, then developed her watercolor phase, and now is excited about mixed media and collage.

The Art Association is located at corner of Donora and Shell Mound just behind the Fire Station on the Beach and is open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Saturday and noon to 4 on Sunday. For further information call 463-3909 or check out their Web Page at www.fortmyersbeachart.com.

Outdoor Painters at Times Square

As is their tradition, the Outdoor Painting Group of the Ft. Myers Beach Art Association will meet the first Wednesday of the month, Nov. 5, in the Times Square area on the Beach. The artists will be setting up their easels and, as well as painting, will be exhibiting and selling artwork. This informal art session

begins at 8:30 a.m. and continues into the afternoon. The next week, Nov. 12, they will meet at the home of Bob & Lee Ackert, 4851 Dolphin Lane on the Beach.

Beginning and visiting artists are invited to join in; bring a brown-bag lunch for the friendly critique at noon. For further information call Lisa Grinter at 463-2980.

Exhibit at FGCU

The Florida Visual Arts Fellowships 25th Anniversary Exhibition continues through Nov. 22 and is presented by the Florida Gulf Coast University Art Department. The gallery is open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

New exhibit at Cypress Lake

The Visual Arts Department of Cypress Lake High School Center for the Arts will be presenting Human Studies II. The first visual arts student show this year will feature digital and both two- and three-dimensional art images as an interpretation of the human form and personality traits.

Join them and their teachers for an evening of art, refreshments and entertainment on Friday, Nov. 7, from 5:30 to 7 p.m. at the Center for the Arts Gallery, 6740 Panther Lane (off Cypress Lake) in Fort Myers. The show can be viewed from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. weekdays through Nov. 26.

Lunch Box Theatre tomorrow

For a fun-filled theatrical morning/noontime, check out Florida Fep's Lunch Box Theatre. Take your children, your grandchildren or come alone! Lunch Box Theatre is for appropriate for everyone who is young at heart!

The first production is *I Didn't Know That: A Lighthearted Revue of First Facts, Selected Oddities and World Records*, where audience members will discover the

origin of the toothbrush, of eyeglasses and that ants have five noses! Plus, they'll learn that the world's largest banana split encompassed 11,333 bananas and 34,000 scoops of ice cream! Learn these fascinating bits of trivia and much, much more through the use of acrobatics, music and dance!

Lunch Box Theatre takes place on the following Saturdays at 11 a.m.: tomorrow, Nov. 1, then Nov. 8, 5 and 22. The \$10 price includes a 45-minute interactive performance, lunch, a brief workshop and a tour of the theatre. Seating is limited. Call 332-4488 to reserve tickets.

Florida Repertory Theatre is located in the historic Arcade Theatre in downtown Fort Myers, between Jackson and Hendry Streets. For more information, visit www.floridarep.org.

A look at Eckert's schedule

Eckert Fine Art - Naples, Inc. exhibits museum quality art with a friendly Florida attitude. The gallery focuses on the best in American Impressionism, modern and contemporary art including both original and limited edition artworks by internationally recognized masters. Among their diverse collection of artists are Basquiat, Calder, Christo, Dine, di Suvero, Francis, Indiana, Lichtenstein, Moore, Rauschenberg, Rivers, Rosenquist, Stanczak, Warhol and Sultan. In addition, they work with noted contemporary artists including photorealist Tom Blackwell, master ceramicist Paul Chaleff, sculptors Bill Barrett, Hal Buckner and Don Gummer, painter Darryl Pottorf and the Dutch box artist Rene Rietmeyer.

Gallery Shows

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Warhol: Turtle

Jan. 19-Feb. 7

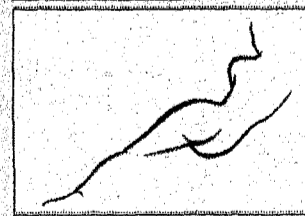


Lichtenstein: Chinese Landscapes + Rauschenberg:

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Rauschenberg and Lichtenstein are shown together for the first time in this exhibition featuring paintings, collages and prints that were influenced and inspired by China

Lichtenstein Landscape w/Poet

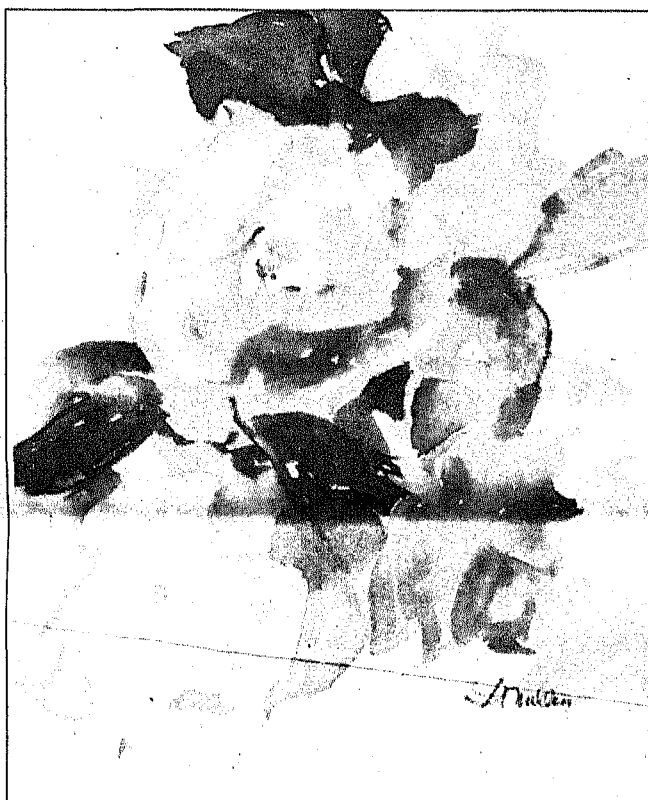


Hal Buckner: Goddess, Then and Now

Feb. 19-March 4

In this series of works, completed over the last decade, artist Hal Buckner emphasizes light, shadow and the power of the line in his sculpture. The series is heavily influenced by the great masters — Valazques, Ingres, Rodin and Manet among them.

Islander's one-woman show closing at Library



Sanibel artist Jo Mullins has been exhibiting her acrylic and watercolor paintings at the Sanibel Library during the month of October. Her paintings exhibit clear, wonderful color with awesome skies; she captures the atmosphere with great sensitivity. Her florals are fresh and engaging.

Mullins is a long time resident of the island. She graduated from the Philadelphia College of Art (now the Philadelphia University of Art) with a degree in Illustration and illustrated her late husband's book, *The Little Monkey with Wings in its Tail*. In 1961 she returned Philadelphia for a degree in Interior Design, worked as an interior designer in Philadelphia and Cherry Hill, N.J. for the next nine years.

Since 1970, Mullins has pursued a career as an artist. She credits her teachers Talliot Reichert, Lessner and especially Gale Bennet as her greatest influences. "My special interest is in the emotional aspects of a scene, group, or still life, as produced through color and light," she says. "My perception is becoming impressionistic, but nature is always my inspiration."

Mullins is active in the Sanibel-Captiva Art League and is a member of BIG Arts. She has won many awards and her paintings are widely collected.

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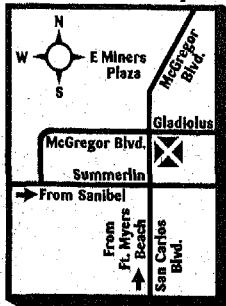
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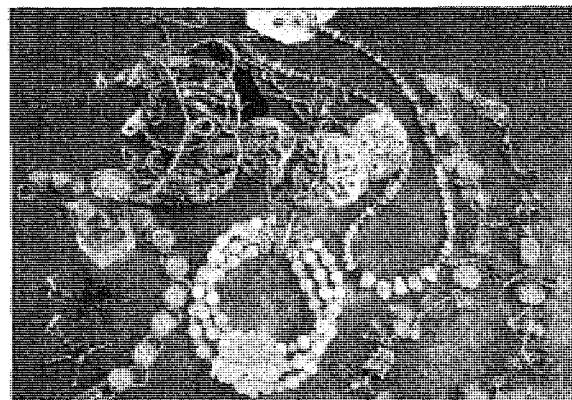
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~ New location open in Village ~

Seaweed Gallery opened a new gallery in The Village Shops a month ago and Owner Linda Boltrek noted that "we've been really, really busy from the day we opened. I'm pleased and excited." Boltrek will be closing the Seaweed Gallery in the Forever Green Shops and opening a large, new gallery on Andy Rosse Lane on Captiva. "The new building is coming along and the hoped-for opening date is the week before Christmas," she said. The "baby" gallery on Andy Rosse Lane will remain part of the Seaweed Gallery family.




Restaurant Review

Watch this space the last week of every month for a focus on your favorite area restaurants!


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The wood-paneled walls are warmed with Impressionist prints, the upholstered chairs invite you to relax and there is a bank of windows overlooking the magnificent view of Pine Island Sound.

Chef de Cuisine Amy Visco has created a menu that is filled with sophistication and wit. Perhaps Food & Beverage Operations Manager Jerry Janus says it best: "Can she cook!"

While the à la carte menu is not inexpensive, the King's Crown experience is truly unique. A special nightly amenity — like the delightful salmon mousse and goat cheese tart, topped with a fruit relish — is served to prepare the palate for the culinary delights to come. Sorbet is served between courses and at the end of the meal, a carnation is presented to the ladies.

Every course is impeccably presented: the Mangrove Snapper is served en croute, with modeled pastry. There is a beautiful little seaweed garnish and a plantain curling like seaweed on the plate. "I like to watch people's faces when I put it down," says Chef Amy. "The first thing they do is smile with amazement."

Locally grown produce is used whenever possible: the Watermelon Tower appetizer features key lime marinated crab layered with golden watermelon and mango, pickled carambola and watermelon radish salad, served with an island strawberry guava coulis. The mangos and carambola are local and some are even grown on the resort.

The King's Crown signature dessert is the spectacular Bananas Foster, prepared to order tableside. Invented in New Orleans when a sea captain requested that someone "make a special dessert and I love rum," Bananas Foster begins with a splash of banana liqueur with some added butter and brown sugar. Once that reduces, 151 rum is added and flamed. Vanilla ice cream is readied while a sliced banana is added to the rum mixture. The banana then goes over the ice cream and the delicious syrup tops it all. A delight to watch... even better to eat!

Wednesday through Sunday, there is live entertainment and a dance floor in the piano lounge. King's Crown is a no-smoking restaurant and it is requested that gentlemen wear slacks and a collared shirt; no jeans or shorts, please. Reservations are required and King's Crown is now taking reservations for Thanksgiving Day dinner, to be served from 2 to 9 p.m. King's Crown...treat yourself to the best.



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CENTER STAGE

"One... singular sensation..." on stage at the Broadway Palm

A conservative word for A Chorus Line, currently playing on the main stage of The Broadway Palm Dinner Theatre, might be tremendous... or perhaps terrific. I've seen this show more times than I can count, from my first viewing at The Public Theatre in New York prior to its move to Broadway, through its various incarnations on Broadway and off, as well as its national touring companies. By my count I've seen this show six times professionally and six times semi-professionally. Happily, the Palm's version (this is the second time its been performed here) rates right up there, making it the second or third best version I've viewed out of all those incarnations.

Originator/choreographer/director Michael Bennett's concept of taking recorded interviews with dancers and framing them in the context of an audition for a Broadway show has, since it opened 28 years ago, been often imitated but never surpassed. In the ensuing years, the script by Nicholas Dante and James Kirkwood may seem pat and somewhat soap-operaish, but it still works, it still moves and amuses the audience. The Palm's director/choreographer Patricia Wilcoxon captured the essence of Bennett's dance style, steps and dramatic intentions and adapted them beautifully to the current cast. In other words, Wilcoxon's adaptation of the challenging, original choreography has been perfectly suited to the talents of this rather remarkable cast without losing any of its ability to dazzle. Wilcoxon teases a dance number into shape, building it from bits and pieces into a suddenly blazing whole.

Amy Marie Arnold hits the mark as a glossy, impertinent, ruefully aging and very funny chorus gypsy called Sheila, never overplaying the wise-acre element of her character. She begins her number "At the Ballet" explaining how everyone was beautiful at the ballet, when a wistful, endearing Jennifer Brooks (Maggie) takes over the second phrase, and a bouncing, bubbling

Jay Courtney Taylor (Judy) takes over the third. Brooks delivers her money note at the song's climax — that got the first big round of applause from the audience.

Jennifer Davis plays Cassie, the faltering, almost-star trying to go back into the line, vigorously performing the taxing "Music and the Mirror" with sensitivity. And she ably handles the character's dramatic exchanges with her demanding ex-lover/director/choreographer Zach (ably played by Mark Bzdick).

Cara Kem (Val), who complains of being consistently turned down for jobs because her physical endowments (not exactly a match for her dancing skills) was right on target in filling out her vocal and comedic skills. She was simply hilarious in the sure-fire comedy classic "Dance Ten; Looks: Three," better known as "Tits and Ass." Jessica Brokowsky as the character Diana Morales has two of the best known songs in the show, which she socked across — first, her comedic take on drama class angst in "Nothing" which she then topped with her heartfelt sincerity in "What I Did For Love." Chris Boerner (Al) and Meegan Korman (Kristine) play a husband and wife team. She was delightful as the dancer who really couldn't "Sing" and Boerner was drolly funny as her supportive spouse.

Thay Floyd in the small but significant role of Richie had me, as well as the rest of the audience, on the edge of our seats wanting to see more of his dazzling dancing and even better singing. Last, but certainly not least, was Justin Wilcoxon's sensitive rendering in the dramatic role of Paul. This oh-so-effective high point in the show is a monologue about the saga of a drag queen

and is performed without benefit of music or dance... in an evening full of music and dance that features dancers baring their souls and psyches.

The rest of the cast is, if not triple threats, certainly doubles, with the exception of James Corrothers (Bobby) who sings as well as dances with equal aplomb, adding a large dose of high camp. John C. Rager's simple but effective stage design consists of a series of pivoting flats along the back wall, mirrors on one side and a brick surface on the other. And much applause to Musical Director Andrew Graham and the orchestra for making the music sound freshly minted and alive.

Bottom Line: Broadway Palm has opened its 11th Season with a winner. Chorus Line is purely and simply magnificent, capturing the heart and soul of musical theater. Phone 278-4422 well before closing night, Nov. 22nd. You'll be in for a for a great meal, courtesy of Executive Chef Gregory Van Horn, and an even greater evening's entertainment.

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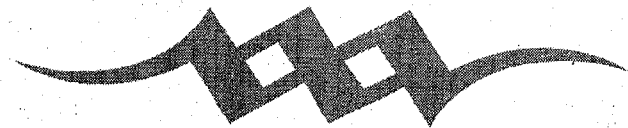
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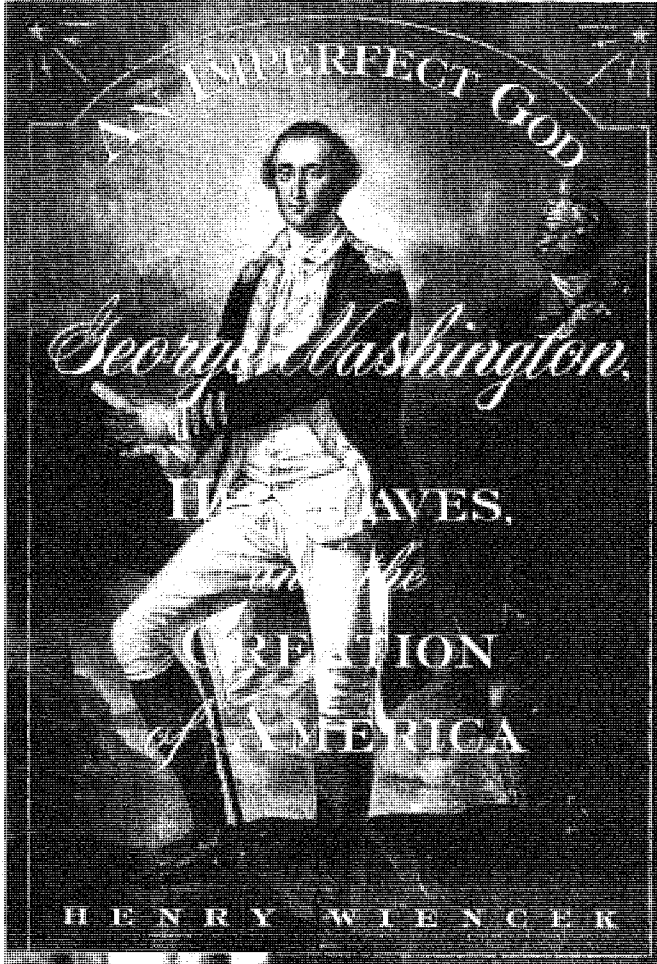
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papers and letters, court records, archives, discovered some new information about the Washington family, and confirmed some other newly revealed stories which were previously supported only by oral history.

When Washington married the young widow, Martha Custis, he gained authority over a large number of slaves and shared his wife's traditional views toward them as "property." While he served in the Revolutionary War, he first rejected the use of blacks as soldiers, then accepted them. When he participated in the writing of the Constitution, he argued for the emancipation of the slaves and then supported their exclusion from freedom. Although he planned to emancipate his slaves, he kept it a secret and often seemed to agree with the pro-slavery views of his wife and her family, even as he plotted to gain control over the family's slaves so that he could free them upon his death. While he was working on this plan, he illegally sought the aid of New Hampshire authorities to retrieve a slave who had escaped from his wife, even to the point of sending someone to kidnap her and her baby after three years of freedom. His vacillation on the issue shows how torn he was. Wiencek believes that this torment was the result of the fact that Washington had almost certainly sired a son, West Ford, with a slave woman owned by his brother's wife.

By looking at Washington's attitude toward slavery and how it changed as he matured, Wiencek shows a side of Washington which has not been well known until this time. While his act of emancipating his own slaves shows his own beliefs, even his wife did not follow her husband's example... nor did others, including Thomas Jefferson and the other Founding Fathers. The author believes that if Washington had freed his slaves during his lifetime, it would probably have made a difference among the other landowners. For any reader interested in either George Washington or the issue of slavery, this is very enlightening work.

The next book is not at all as serious or on as important a subject, but anyone who has ever owned or has been owned by an animal will find it highly enjoyable. *Enslaved by Ducks*, written by Bob Tarte and published by Algonquin Books, is a book Hal and I could relate to. As members of a family which once had 14 rabbits, five goats, three cats, one parrot and many smaller birds, innumerable chickens and other creatures which I've forgotten, we know how one animal leads to another. The author and his wife carry this truism to an extreme, becoming a



NOLA THEISS



ENSLAVED BY DUCKS

How one man went from head of the household to bottom of the pecking order

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BOB TARTE

mini-CROW all by themselves. Written with a wry sense of humor, extreme self-deprecation and appreciation for his wife Linda's love and care of animals, it is a funny and well-written story which will affect anyone who has ever fallen in love with an animal and found himself doing crazy things for it. It will also make you glad you stopped accumulating them before you reached the heights and depths of animal ownership of the Tarte household, though you may be a little misty-eyed when you remember the cat that bit you to show love or the parakeet that would never shut up, but somehow became a beloved member of your family.



I'm going to review two non-fiction books this month, but the review will be a little shorter than usual due to a broken right wrist and, thus, my dependence on the beneficence of husband Hal who is using his typing skills more than he likes.

An Imperfect God ... George Washington, His Slaves, and the Creation of America by Henry Wiencek (Farrar, Straus &

Giroux) is more than a biography. It is a thoroughly researched account of how Washington was influenced in his beliefs about slavery as he grew from a young man, who raffled off slave children in order to collect on a debt, to the ex-President who worked to emancipate his own slaves in his will. Wiencek used Washington's private

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VOICES FOR KIDS: Helping the children who need it most *Crimes of the Heart* opens with special benefit

By Melanie Saxon
Executive Director
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I have a story to share. It is the story of an eight year old girl, who lives in Lee County, whom I will call Kim. This story was told to me by her Guardian Ad Litem, whom I will call Suzanne.

A few years ago, Kim's biological mother died. This was a traumatic experience for Kim, as it would be for any child. Fortunately, or so it seemed, Kim's father remarried and things were looking up for Kim, especially since her father's new wife was willing to legally adopt her.

But Kim's new family was not to last. Her biological father and adoptive mother separated. For one reason or another, it was decided that Kim would stay with her adoptive mother. Again, Kim underwent a huge adjustment as her father moved out of the house.

One day the school called to tell her mother that Kim had cheated on a test at school. The mother punished Kim by severely burning her hand on the stove. The burn was noticed at school and the school reported it. The mother was arrested and Kim was sent to live with her paternal grandparent. Fortunately, Kim was removed from the abusive situation; however, her world was again turned upside down.

Kim's mother got out on bond and was set to plea bargain. She might have succeeded, however Suzanne, the Guardian Ad Litem, stepped forward and made her report. Consequently, the plea bargain was set aside and the case was set for trial.

Kim was joined by Suzanne court that day, the only person there with the sole mission of looking out after her best interests. The judge listened to what she had to say about Kim's situation. She had been doing well at her grandparent's house and wished to stay there, instead of being returned to her abusive parent. The judge's response was that Kim is a "wonderful, precious little girl" who has already been through more heartache than any child should have to experience.

All children make mistakes and Kim deserves more from a parent than one who will respond to her mistakes with harsh physical abuse. The mother was found guilty of aggravated child abuse and sentenced to 36 months in prison. A date was set to terminate her parental rights to Kim who was then assigned to long-term



Islanders Sam Landry & Shara Weaver, both of whom serve as Guardians Ad Litem

placement with her grandparent.

Suzanne was thankful she had the opportunity to play a role in getting Kim the best placement available. In the time she had spent with Kim, she knew her emotional, social and physical interests would be best served by the grandparent who could provide the needed stability.

Guardians tell us that there are many times when justice prevails, but it happens far more often when a child has a Guardian than not.

Voices for Kids of Southwest Florida, Inc. is the 501 (c) 3 organization that supports the Guardian Ad Litem Program of the 20th Judicial District (Lee, Collier, Charlotte, Glades and Hendry Counties). Its mission is to recruit enough Guardians so that every child in the dependency system has a one. With over a thousand children currently without Guardians (over 500 in Lee County alone), Voices for Kids is passionate about spreading the news that there are children in need, that the three-day training is appropriate for those with no prior legal background and that for just a few hours a month a tremendous difference can be made in the life of a child.

Captiva resident Sam Landry, and Sanibel resident Shara Weaver, herself a Guardian Ad Litem, are both on the Board of Directors of Voices for Kids of Southwest Florida, Inc. They invite you to call them if you have any questions about getting involved on a Board Committee, serving as a Guardian Ad Litem or making a donation to Voices for Kids. You can reach them by calling the Voices for Kids office at (239) 997-5437. You may also send an email to Voicesforkids@earthlink.net.

Voices for Kids is especially grateful to the Islander, a Voices for Kids media partner for making this column possible



Amanda Parke, Alexis Robinson, and Sheryl Ruppert play three off-beat sisters with several skeletons in the closet in *Crimes of the Heart*

Fort Myers Beach's Orpheus Players opens *Crimes of the Heart*, a Pulitzer Prize-winning comedy written by Beth Henley, Saturday afternoon with a special benefit performance in the pavilion at Bowditch Park. A catered party begins at 3 p.m. followed by the performance at 4. This production is sponsored by the town of Fort Myers Beach, Lee County Parks & Recreation, Bay Oaks Community Center, and Carl Conley, president of the Island Arts Foundation. The performance benefits the Island Arts Foundation, the Beach's only organization working for a full time performing arts center.

The Magrath sisters (played by Amanda Parke, Alexis Robinson and Sheryl Ruppert) are three wacky girls with enough family secrets and scandal to put the fun back into "dysfunctional." Directed by Donna Prima, *Crimes of the Heart* is a teasing look into deep-Southern, small town life which also includes characters like the tragic "Doc" Porter, played by Mark List, a bold yet inexperienced lawyer portrayed by new-comer, "Dagwood," and the deliciously evil social-climber cousin, Chick, played by Ivy Purdy. The quirky characters and bizarre plot of this delightful play mix pathos with downright goofiness to create an enjoyable trip to the good ole South.

Parke, who plays Babe, is a local actress who has performed extensively in the area with the Orpheus Players as well as at the Wood Theater. Ruppert (Lenny), who recently played Marjorie

in *Extremities*, is both a local actress and a professional singer. Robinson is a local artist who specializes in oils and acrylics and works as a real estate agent. List, who recently directed the critically acclaimed *Extremities*, is a local film-maker, actor and also production manager of the Island Sand Paper. Purdy, an actress who hails from New York, owns the Something Special Boutique on Estero Boulevard. Prima, artistic director for the Orpheus Players, is originally from Canada where she founded the Attic Theatre Society, directing and touring extensively throughout British Columbia. She is a standing honorary member of Theatre B.C., and was toasted by CBC TV/radio, along with the National Canadian Women's Federation, as "Toronto Stars."

For tickets to the benefit performance or for more information, please call Conley at the Island Sand Paper (463-4461).

The rest of the performances will be held at the Holmes House Restaurant owned by Petra Tiessen, which offers fine dining with a Southern flair (and real napkins too!) at 2500 Estero Boulevard (across from Chapel by the Sea). Play dates are Friday and Saturday nights — Nov. 7-8, 14-15, 21-22, and 28-29. Dinner starts at 6 p.m. and show sat, 8. Tickets are \$35; tickets for the show only are \$15.

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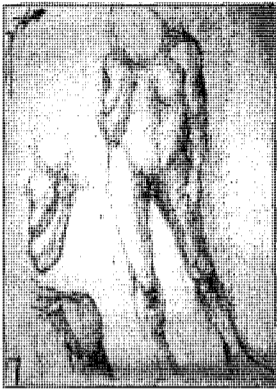
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AT BIG ARTS



Life Drawing Exhibit



BIG Arts is pleased to have on view in Founders Gallery works by a group of artists who participate in its seasonal non-instructed life drawing classes. Included are paintings as well as drawings from the artists' sketch-

books based on one-minute to one-hour poses by local models. The show opens Nov. 8 from 1 to 4 p.m. and visitors are invited to a reception on Nov. 15 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

These artists have interesting and varied backgrounds. Many possess extensive background and study in the fine arts and have exhibited in other areas in the United States, while others are new to life drawing. After studying watercolors



for several years Boston artist and professional stage technician, Cheri Herbert wanted to challenge herself to draw the human figure. She says, "The passing of loved ones, coupled with the events of 9/11, created a strong desire to capture the precious value and beauty of each human being, while showing the commonality of us all in the physical parts that make us." William Fay, a graduate of the University Of Michigan School of Architecture & Design, finds it challenging to "capture the beauty and emotion of the human figure."



In addition to nearly 40 years of professional practice, retired Chicago architect, John Schlossman, has also been sketching for years. For the past five, his work has included painting and figurative sculpture in clay. Indiana artist, Judy Jensen, and New York artist, Laurie Pickens, continue life drawing in various workshops. Both artists have taken life studies at the Art Students League in New York.

"Life drawing forces the artist to concentrate on many things at once — bone structure, muscle tension, movement, position — then organize it all in a coherent manner on a page," said Carol Rosenberg, the teacher

of the course. "There are about 15 participants in the show," Rosenberg continued, "who are shipping or bringing in so much work that I'll probably have to hang it from ceiling to floor. The space is going to look more like an artist's studio than a gallery!"

Faculty show in Phillips

Also starting Nov. 8, the Phillips Gallery will showcase the work of the BIG ARTS' teachers who will display the talents they possess for creating as well as for instructing others. Those who visit the Gallery will see an incredible variety of artwork, including exquisite photographs by George Graham, clay sculptures of the human figure by Ralph Greenhouse, finely crafted baskets by Helen Baller, clay sculpture and ceramics by Marjorie Bronsted, glass fusing by Petra Kaiser, nature printing by Mona Gleitz, and decorated furniture and paintings by Lois Ferguson — along with the work of numerous other artists. In addition to the local artists, there will be teachers coming from distances as far away as Australia (Margo Vigorito) and Alexandria, Va. (Margaret Huddy, recently returned from Umbria, Italy where she taught a class in watercolor and gouache, who will be accompanied by some of her Virginia students).

The show will also include paintings by Doug Flynt, Greg Biolchini, Bill North, Peter Spataro, Carol Hagerman and Ann Kittel. This island event will also provide an opportunity to see Joan Klutch's collages of hand pulled prints combined with watercolors and mixed media — collages



One of Anne Kittel's watercolors from the Phillips Gallery exhibit

that convey poetic symbols and rhythms of color — and Cathy Taylor's watermedia collages — a touch of whimsy. Pilar Baker will exhibit her jigsaw-like pieces set as jewels that, in her unique way of seeing, become metaphors for life. Tim Smith, a potter new to the BIG Arts faculty, will display his work as well.

The Artist-teachers of BIG ARTS have studied with nationally and internationally known teachers, and they show off some of the exciting things they have discovered in this show. Seeing their work will encourage new students of visual arts as well as more experienced artists to find a class that will enable them to improve their work.

Both exhibits will be open daily until the end of the month from 1 to 4 p.m. You are invited to meet the artists at a reception on Saturday, Nov. 15 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

This is a great opportunity to see the creative artwork that is being taught and produced at BIG Arts. For more information about classes and events, call 395-0900.

Classes

BIG Arts is celebrating its 25th anniversary during the 2003-2004 season. It has become the cultural center for the islands, stimulating the minds and nourishing the souls of the island residents since 1979. Here is your opportunity to be part of this great organization — register for a workshop or class this fall. Become a member and receive a discount on all workshops.

New instructors and workshops

Advanced Acrylics — Don Maurer

Designed to give students already familiar with acrylics more in-depth painting techniques.
Wednesdays 1-4 p.m., Nov. 5-Dec. 10
Six-week course: \$90.

Advanced Watercolors — Phil Rasmussen

Mondays, 9 a.m.-Noon,
Nov. 10-Dec. 15
Six-week course: \$140.

Printmaking — Carrier Marcellis

Tuesdays, 5:30-8:30 p.m.,
Nov. 4-Dec. 9
Six-week course: \$70.

Beginning Jewelry & Metalsmithing — Pilar Baker

Explore basic design and metal-smithing techniques — sawing, filing, soldering, shaping, drilling, texturing, and finishing — while producing a piece of metal jewelry.
Fridays, 1-3 p.m., Nov. 7-Dec. 19
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Six-week course: \$95.

Pottery on the Wheel — Tim Smith

Tuesdays, 6:30-9 p.m.,
Nov. 11-Dec. 16
Six-week course: \$72 plus clay.

Working with Clay — Terry Flannery

Mondays, 9 a.m.-Noon, Nov. 3-Dec. 8
Six-week course: \$72 plus clay.

Molding and Casting — Terry Flannery

Learn to make a simple latex mold and plaster jacket for producing copies in clay and other materials.
Thursdays, 6:30-8 p.m., Nov. 20-Dec. 18, (no class Nov. 27)
Four-week course: \$40+supplies.

Other Workshops

Decorative Furniture Painting — Lois Ferguson

Wednesdays, 9 a.m.-Noon,
Nov. 5-Dec. 10
Six-week course: \$75.

Non-Instructed Life Drawing

— Carol Rosenberg

Mondays, 1-3 p.m., Nov. 3-24
Four-week course: \$60 includes model.

Oil & Acrylic Painting (all levels)

— Lois Ferguson

Fridays, 9 a.m.-Noon, Nov. 7-Dec. 19,
(no class Nov. 28)
Six-week course: \$75.

Beginning and Intermediate French

— Marcia Parrish

Wednesdays, 9:15-10:45 a.m. and 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. respectively, Nov. 12-Dec. 17
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Men's Book Group — Steve Oberbeck

Tuesdays, 1-3 p.m., Nov. 11-Dec. 16
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— Steve Oberbeck

Tuesdays, 7-9 p.m., Nov. 11-Dec. 16
Six-week course: \$65.

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Creative Women in Fact and Fiction

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Monthly on Wednesdays, 10 a.m.-Noon, beginning Nov. 5
Six-week course: \$60.

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Belly Dancing — Vanessa Stocker

Tuesdays, 6:45-7:45 p.m.,
Nov. 11-Dec. 16 Six-week course: \$60.

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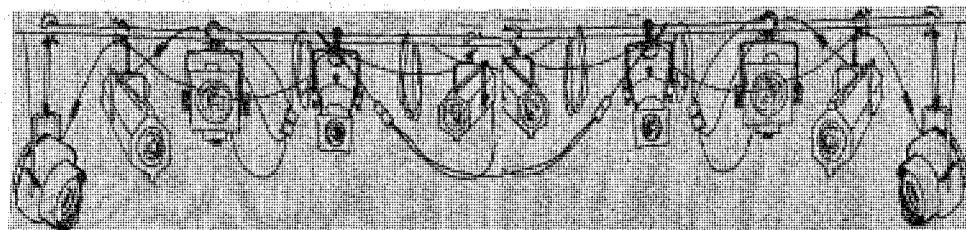
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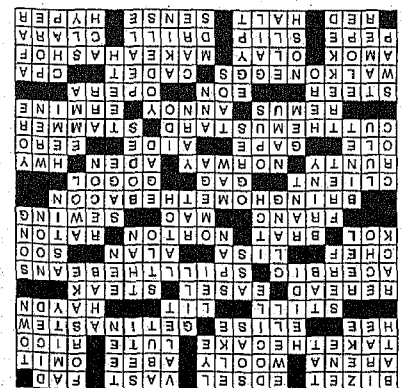
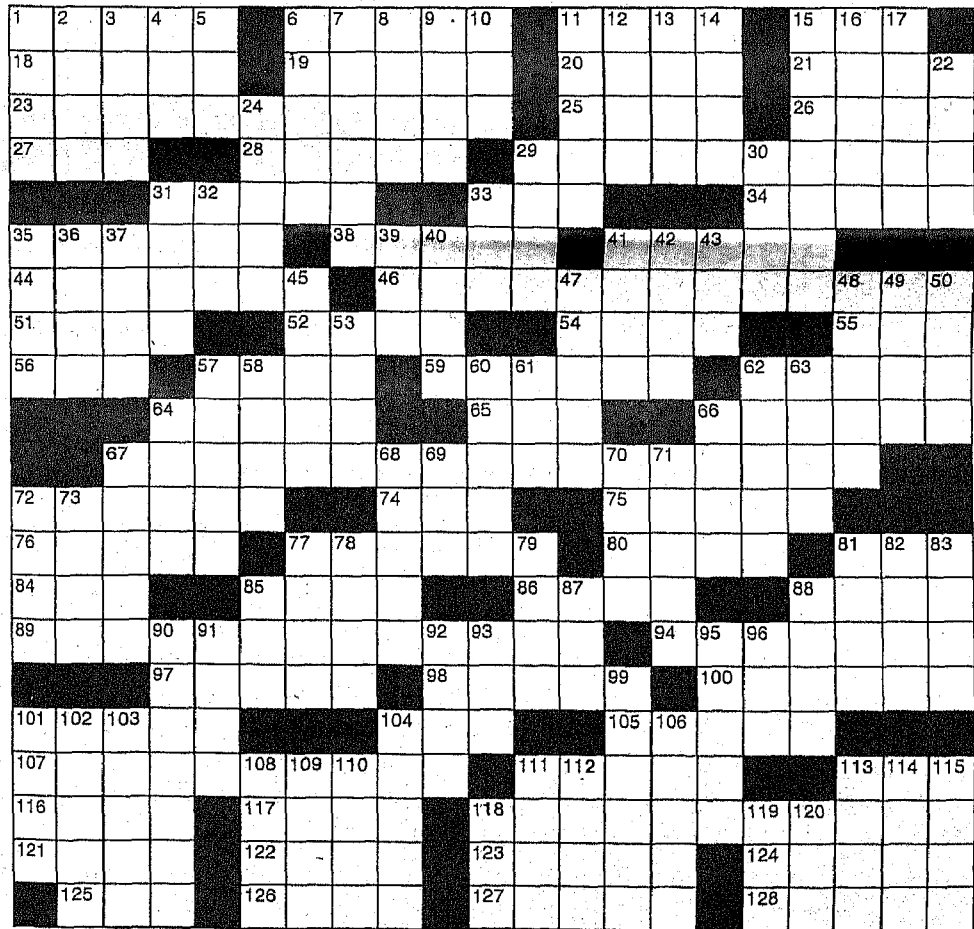
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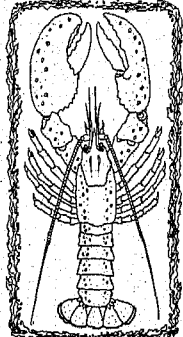
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 - 20 Have — in one's bonnet
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 - 29 Become anxious
 - 31 Motionless
 - 33 Glowing
 - 34 "The Creation" composer
 - 35 Go over again
 - 38 Art supporter?
 - 41 Salmon serving
 - 44 Sour ...
 - 46 Blab
 - 51 Kitchen kingpin
 - 52 Kudrow of "Friends"
 - 54 — J. Pakula
 - 55 Jack of "Flower Drum Song"
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 - 59 Kramden's cronyn
 - 62 Boca —, FL
 - 64 Old French bread?
 - 65 Rock's Fleetwood
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 - 76 Stunted
 - 77 Henle's homeland
 - 80 Mideastern gulf
 - 81 Rte.
 - 84 Barcelona bravo
 - 85 Stare stupidly
 - 86 Helper
 - 88 Architect
 - 89 Live up to expectations
 - 94 Speak ... haltingly
 - 97 Romulus' twin
 - 98 Vex
 - 100 January stoat
 - 101 That's no bull!
 - 104 Two or more eras
 - 105 Soap —
 - 107 Act cautiously
 - 111 Future officer
 - 113 Money maven
 - 116 Out of control
 - 117 Oil of —
 - 118 Botch
 - 121 Monsieur Le Pew
 - 122 Lingerie item
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 - 124 Bow or Barton
 - 125 Cabinet color
 - 126 Sentry's shout
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- DOWN**
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 - 2 "Dies —"
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 - 4 Compass pt.
 - 5 Lisa ... shuttle
 - 6 Tom of "Adam's Rib"
 - 7 Obedient
 - 8 With the purpose of
 - 9 Actress Sommer
 - 10 Pipe cleaner?
 - 11 Jeeves or Passee-partout
 - 12 Border on
 - 13 104 Down king
 - 14 Rock hound?
 - 15 Desert
 - 16 "Jaws" setting
 - 17 Cut into cubes
 - 22 Wilder's "Our —"
 - 24 Swiss miss?
 - 29 Liquid measure
 - 30 Jezebel's husband
 - 31 Medieval menial
 - 32 Zipper part
 - 33 Wahine's wreath
 - 35 Torment
 - 36 Reverberate
 - 37 Virginia —
 - 39 Balaam's beast
 - 40 Extend across
 - 41 Normandy site ...
 - 42 "More — I Can Say" ('80 hit)
 - 43 Velvet finish
 - 45 Trolley sound
 - 47 Fasten a gate
 - 48 Sean of "Lord of the Rings"
 - 49 Time for a sandwich
 - 50 Ballad or barcarole
 - 53 Craving
 - 57 Like salt water
 - 58 Vociferate
 - 60 — -3 fatty acid
 - 61 Word with pack or rug
 - 62 Scout's job
 - 63 Court-martial candidate
 - 64 Worry
 - 66 Wise guy?
 - 67 French psychologist
 - 68 Brutes
 - 69 Gullet
 - 70 "Good gracious!"
 - 71 Portends
 - 72 Gator's cousin
 - 73 Berg opera
 - 77 Famed orca
 - 78 "— 17" ('66 song)
 - 79 Knitter's starter
 - 81 Sphere starter
 - 82 St. Paul's architect
 - 83 Knight time?
 - 85 Tiffany treasure
 - 87 Altar answer
 - 88 Samms or Thompson
 - 90 Traveled with Spock?
 - 91 Protagonist
 - 92 New Mexico resort
 - 93 Wedge-worth or Radcliffe
 - 95 Saw features
 - 96 Part of ETA
 - 99 Tyrolean tunes
 - 101 Exchange
 - 102 He keeps lions in line
 - 103 Take the honey and run
 - 104 Neighbor of Libya
 - 106 Positive thinker
 - 108 Snack
 - 109 Poet Wilcox
 - 110 Devers or Sheehy
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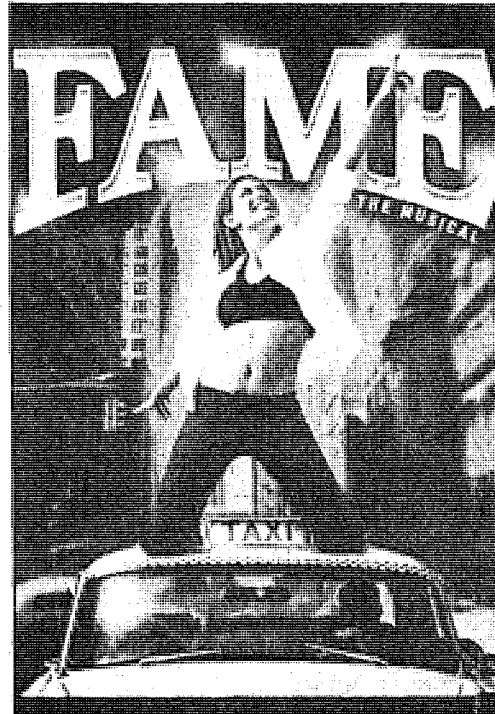
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Fame starts national tour

The National Tour of *Fame—The Musical*, based on the Academy Award-winning motion picture and long-running television series, will open on Nov. 29 for three performances.

Fame is a critically acclaimed worldwide phenomenon having played over 5,000 performances from 300 productions in over 16 countries. The show has played



across England (including an extended run in London's West End), in Germany, South America, Asia, Australia, Eastern Europe and an earlier successful three-year tour in North America. The show returns to America with an all new show produced by Phoenix Productions.

The show chronicles the four-year odyssey from audition to graduation of a group of talented and dedicated students at New York City's High School of the Performing Arts. Driven by the compulsion for fame, these deeply rendered characters from diverse backgrounds experience common triumphs and tragedies along their journey toward immortality.

Conceived and developed by David De Silva, *Fame* was originally released as a movie by MGM/United Artists in 1980, earning four Academy Award nominations and taking home the Oscar for Michael Gore's musical score. Running for six years on network television and in syndication, *Fame* also won several Emmys, making it one of the most successful movie-turned-television series in history. Yet again, *Fame* has thrilled audiences with a highly rated reality series on NBC in the summer of 2003.

"The reason *Fame* is so popular with audiences is that it promotes the idea that success follows talent and dedication, but not without its share of highs and lows. Even with talent, there are victories and defeats, laughter and tears," explained Michael McFadden, co-founder and artistic producer of Phoenix Productions, the producer of the national tour.

Fame—The Musical is a youthful, energetic and uplifting show that encourages all of us to pursue our dreams.

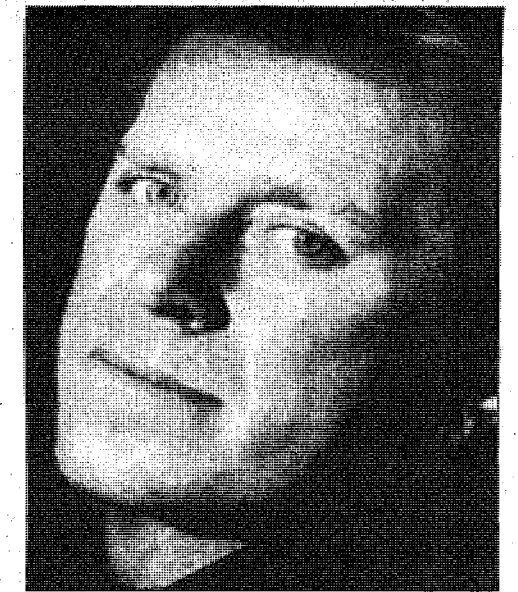
Tickets range from \$30 to \$50.

Peter Cetera to perform

Pop singer/songwriter Peter Cetera, accompanied by a 42-piece orchestra, will perform on Saturday, Nov. 15, at 8 p.m.

During the course of his career, Cetera has written some of the biggest hits in pop music. As one-time lead singer and bassist for the legendary group Chicago, his mark on the Billboard Hot 100 chart is identified by the worldwide Number One single "If You Leave Me Now" and "Hard To Say I'm Sorry" as well as chart-toppers "You're The Inspiration," "Feeling Stronger Everyday" and "Baby What A Big Surprise." He immediately attained #1 status as a solo artist with "Glory Of Love" and "Next Time I Fall," a duet with singer/songwriter Amy Grant. He also scored a Top 5 hit with "One Good Woman," and his AzYet collaboration of "Hard To Say I'm Sorry" attained Top 10 status on both the R&B and Hot 100 charts simultaneously.

Since pursuing his career as a solo artist in 1985, Cetera has received two Grammy nominations; one for the hit single "Glory Of Love" and another for "Hard To Say I'm Sorry," a remake of his classic Chicago hit, featuring R&B group AzYet. He also received an Oscar nomination for "Glory Of Love" as part of the *Karate Kid Part II* soundtrack. Classified as being a "touchtone artist" by Billboard writers, Cetera's distinctive voice has been a mainstay on Adult Contemporary radio. In total, he has appeared on the AC chart with four Number One and three Top 10 singles. Most notably, "Restless Heart" from the *World Falling Down* album remained at



Number One for 10 consecutive weeks.

Along with his solo artist career, his music and voice have also been featured in numerous movies and movie soundtracks such as *After All*, the duet performed with Cher for the movie *Chances Are*; "Daddy's Girl" from *3 Men And A Baby* and "No Explanation" from *Pretty Woman*.

Ticket prices range from \$35 to \$55. Tickets for are on sale at the Box Office, by calling 481-4849, online at www.bbmannph.com and Ticketmaster at 334-3309. Groups of twenty or more, please call 489-3033, extension 3122.



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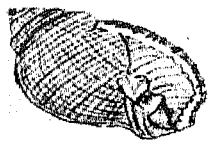
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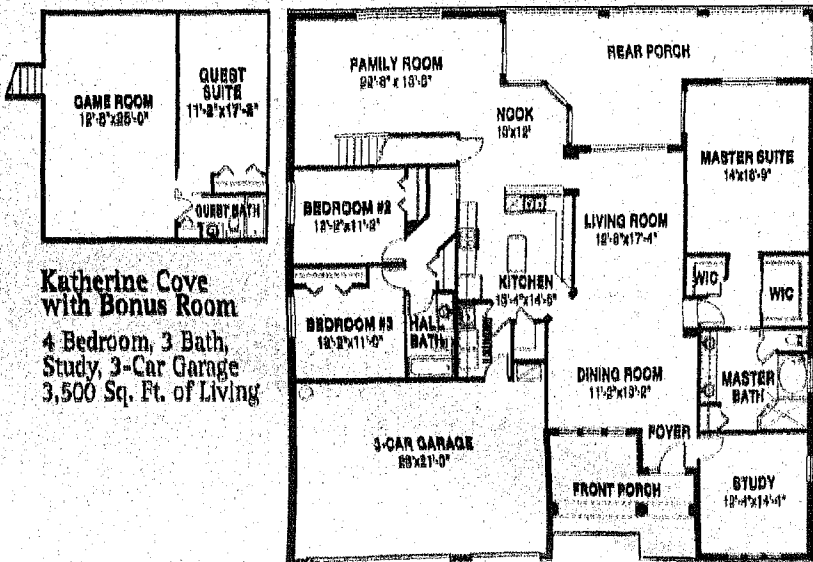
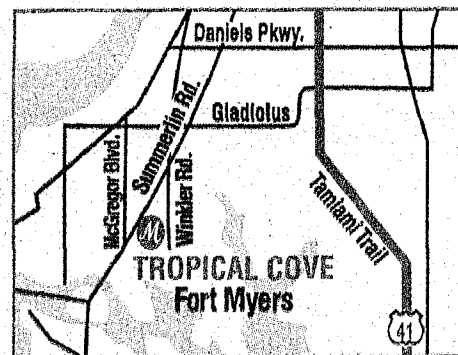
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