



COMMUNITY ACTIVITY CALENDAR

Monday through Friday

Community Concern Center,
206 N. Magnolia, 729-7722, 9
a.m. to 4 p.m.

Council on Aging, 206 N.
Magnolia, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.,
729-5352.

Castaways, 1001 Concho,
Monday, Tuesday and Thurs-
day, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.; Wednes-
day, Friday and Saturday, 9 to
11 a.m.

Thursday, October 7

Rebekah Lodge, 8 p.m.,
I.O.O.F. Hall.

Rockport Lions Club, 12
noon, Sandollar.

A.A.R.P. sponsors Bridge
and Canasta Party, 1:15, Tour-
ist Ass'n Bldg., Airport Rd.,
donation 75 cents per person.
Refreshments and prizes.

T.O.P.S. (take off pounds
sensibly) weigh-in 6:30 to 7:20
p.m., St. Peter's Episcopal
Church, 412 N. Live Oak St.
Call 729-7861 for information.

V.F.W. Game night, 7:30
p.m., V.F.W. Hall.

Unity Church of Christianity
meeting, 7:30 p.m., Key Al-
legro Inn Restaurant. Public
invited. Call 729-1256 for infor-
mation.

Brownies #431, 3:45 p.m.,
Girl Scout House.

Friday, October 6

Alcoholics Anonymous, 8
p.m., V.F.W. Hall.

Saturday, October 9

Rockport SeaFair of 1976.

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pressure booth, free to all,
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Sunday, October 10

Church of your choice.

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Monday, October 11

Boy Scout #49, 7 p.m., First
Presbyterian Church.

Brownies #461, 3:45 p.m.,
Girl Scout House.

Commissioners Court, 9
a.m., Courthouse.

Masonic Lodge #323, 8 p.m.,
Masonic Temple, Hwy. 35.

City Council, 8 p.m., City
Hall.

Circle #3 of First Presby-
terian Church, 2:30 p.m.

Tuesday, October 12

Weight Watchers, 6:45 p.m.,
Catholic Hall, Pearl St.

Evening T.O.P.S. (take off
pounds sensibly) 6:30 p.m.,
Sipes Bldg., Hwy. 35. Call 729-
6616 or 729-7298 for infor-
mation.

Alcoholics Anonymous, 8
p.m., Bishop Elliott Conference
Center.

I.O.O.F. Lodge #342, 8 p.m.,
I.O.O.F. Bldg.

Duplicate Bridge Club, 1
p.m., Key Allegro Community
Center. Call 729-5371 if you
would like to play.

Young Homemakers, 7 p.m.,
High School Homemaking
Dept.

Girl Scout Troop #469, 3:45
p.m., Girl Scout House.

Cadetets, 7:30 p.m., Girl
Scout House.

Club House #55, 1:30 p.m.,
Aransas Pass Bowling Lanes.

Heart Association, 7:30 p.m.,
Courthouse.

Rockport Firemen's Auxil-
iary, 8 p.m., Fire Dept.

D.A.V. Chapter #210, 8 p.m.,
V.F.W. Hall.

Hospital Foundation Work-
shop, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Encina
Plaza.

Wednesday, October 13

Girl Scout Troop #448, 3:45
p.m., Girl Scout House.

Hospital Foundation Volun-
teers Workshop, 10 a.m. to 4
p.m., Encina Plaza.

Rotary, 12 noon, Sandollar.

G.I. Forum, 7:30 p.m.,
Forum Bldg.

LULAC, 7:30 p.m., Catholic
Hall.

Explorers Post #49, 7:30
p.m., V.F.W. Hall.

Loyal Order of the Moose
Booster, 7:30 p.m., Court-
house. Call 729-1175 for infor-
mation.

A.A.R.P. Rockport Chapter
#1536, 9:30 a.m., Tourist Build-
ing, Airport Road.

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cern Center. Call 729-7722 or
Mrs. Geo. Parker to list coming
events or changes in schedule.

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Water Board Public Forum Set Oct. 12

The Texas Water Develop-
ment Board has scheduled a
public forum to be held on Oct.
12 at 9 a.m. in the auditorium of
the Art Museum of South
Texas, 1902 N. Shoreline, Cor-
pus Christi. This forum will be
in preparation to a revision of
the Texas Water Plan and
hopefully to insure that state
wide water conservation and
development planning will re-
flect the needs and desires of all

Texas citizens.
This public forum is im-
portant to residents of the Coastal
Bend area due to the require-
ment for freshwater inflow into
our bay and estuarine systems.
It is not currently known just
how much fresh water is re-
quired to provide the necessary
nutrients, seawater dilution,
and circulation, in order to
maintain the current estuarine
systems. This lack of know-

ledge seems characteristic of
many environmental questions
and therefore conflicts often
arise as to how far development
should go.

What is known is that the
estuarine by definition is a
coastal body of water within
which the seawater is measur-
ably diluted by freshwater.
This dilution with the associ-
ated nutrients provided by the
inflow of freshwater has estab-

lished a unique area. It is es-
timated that 95% of all fish and
shellfish landed by sport and
commercial fishermen along the
Gulf Coast depend upon the
estuarine zone during some
period of their life cycle and
some such as oysters spend
their entire life in this unique
habitat. Another fact that is
generally accepted is that
estuarine areas are the most
productive areas in the world.

Theodore Gorton Receives Doctorate

Theodore J. Gorton, son of
retired Colonel and Mrs. Theo-
dore Gorton, 905 Oak Avenue,
Rockport, received his doctor-
ate last week after three years
of study at Oxford University,
Oxford, England.

In mid-October, Dr. Gorton
will take up his duties as head
of the Department of Arabic
Studies at St. Andrews Uni-
versity, Fife, Scotland.

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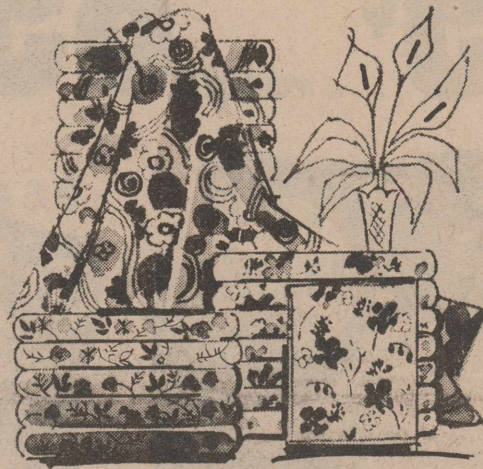
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Child Savings Programs Pay

Money gifts to a new baby can form the basis for his savings program, Mrs. Linda McCormack, a family resource management specialist, says.

A planned savings account will keep parents from putting the cash gifts into piggy banks, or their own bank account with a mental note to "pay baby back," which is often forgotten, she said.

Mrs. McCormack is with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System.

"Estimates show that it will cost approximately \$52,000 to rear a child from birth through four years of a state college," she added.

Each different way of saving money has its own special characteristics. Standards to consider when choosing a plan are what parents want to achieve with the money, and when they plan for baby to use the money, she said.

Basic savings programs that look to a child's future are government savings bonds, insurance plans, savings accounts and certificates of deposit (savings certificates).

Government savings bonds can be purchased for varying amounts, from \$18.75 to \$7,500, and have fixed redemption values before and at maturity (five years).

The two types of savings bonds are Series E and Series H. These differ in cost, rate of return and the length of time held to maturity. Purchasing E bonds regularly in the child's name (designate parent as beneficiary, not co-owner) makes the interest taxable to the child. Since the child probably will not earn enough to incur income tax for several years, the interest escapes taxation if you report it as it accrues.

"To do this, at the end of the first year, file a federal income tax return in the child's name and on the return, state that the child elects to report the interest annually. Then, list the increase in the value of the bonds as his or her income. This table is in the child's parent and you need file no further returns as long as the interest on the bonds plus the child's other investment income is less than \$750 a year. Thus, when the child cashes the bonds, all accrued interest on the bonds will be free from federal income tax."

When the child turns two years old, if parents start buying a \$25 bond each month, they will have \$5,906 worth when he reaches 18—assuming the six per cent rate remains in effect, she said.

"Insurance programs or juvenile insurance can accomplish some important long-term objectives by insuring the child early during his life. This can give a child a base on which to build his own insurance program later, or help him start his adult career with low-cost protection."

"but if you want to build up an education fund, you may be wiser to save on your own, since you should be able to invest the same amount of money at a higher interest rate than that offered by life insurance companies."

"If you do decide to buy insurance, consider the wide varieties of policies available, and be sure you understand all the requirements, provisions and benefits. Shop around," she advised.

Savings accounts can be opened with a small deposit, and future deposits can be made in any amount. Withdrawals can be made any time, except with certain accounts which may require from 30 to 90 days notice. Again, shop around to find the most favorable plan for computing interest when you make either deposits or withdrawals during the interest-earning period.

"Generally, look for a high percentage rate of interest, no penalties for withdrawals, interest calculated on the day of deposit to day of withdrawal plan, quarterly compounding and quarterly crediting. At 7½ per cent interest, money doubles in slightly less than 10 years. At 5½ per cent, it doubles in 13 years, she explained.

Certificates of deposit normally can be opened only with larger (\$500 to \$1,000) amounts of money. These accounts must remain intact for an agreed period of time to be eligible for their higher interest payment. If a \$1,000 CD is purchased now, with all interest being reinvested at a current 8 per cent interest, in 20 years it will be worth \$4,661, this specialist explained.

Proper Jars Are Key To Safe Home 'Canning'

The first step in home canning should take place long before food and equipment are assembled and ready to go. Jars and other supplies should be checked prior to the canning session. In that way, you can replace damaged supplies and purchase new ones to avoid costly delays or inconvenience. Here are some tips to help you:

--Choosing mason jars. Jars manufactured especially for home canning generically are called mason jars and must be used when preserving. They are designed with a specially threaded mouth for proper sealing with mason lids. So, can with standard mason jars only.

--Preparing glass jars. Check all jars, rings, and lids carefully. Discard any with nicks or

cracks in top sealing edge and threads that may prevent airtight seals. Rings should be free of dents or rust. Select the size of closures—wide-mouth or regular—that fits your jar. Wash jars in hot, soapy water and rinse well. Then place in boiling water for 10-15 minutes. Keep jars in hot water until ready to use. Boil lids according to package directions.

--Closing glass jars. Always wipe jar rim clean after food product is packed. Place lid on jar with button side up. Screw rings on firmly, but don't force. Do not retighten rings after processing or cooling.

A new lid that snaps down and clicks as the jar cools, providing visible proof of sealing, called Magic Button is made by Owens-Illinois. Its red

button pops up when the seal is broken. The Magic Mason jars that go with the special lids have metric measurements as well as customary U.S. measurements molded on the side.

--Jar transfer. Use jar lifter or long-handled canning tongs to transfer jars to and from canner safely. Place hot jars on rack or towel, allowing 2-inches of air space on all sides for jars

to cool evenly.

Follow these rules and the procedures recommended by the U.S.D.A. and you can start canning with confidence.

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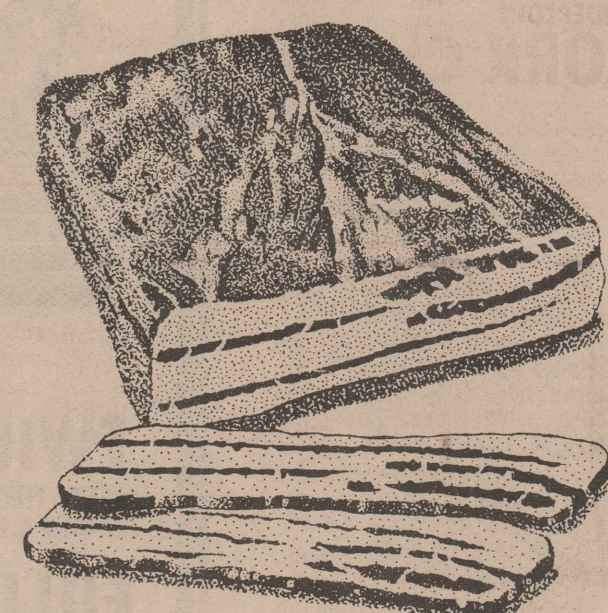
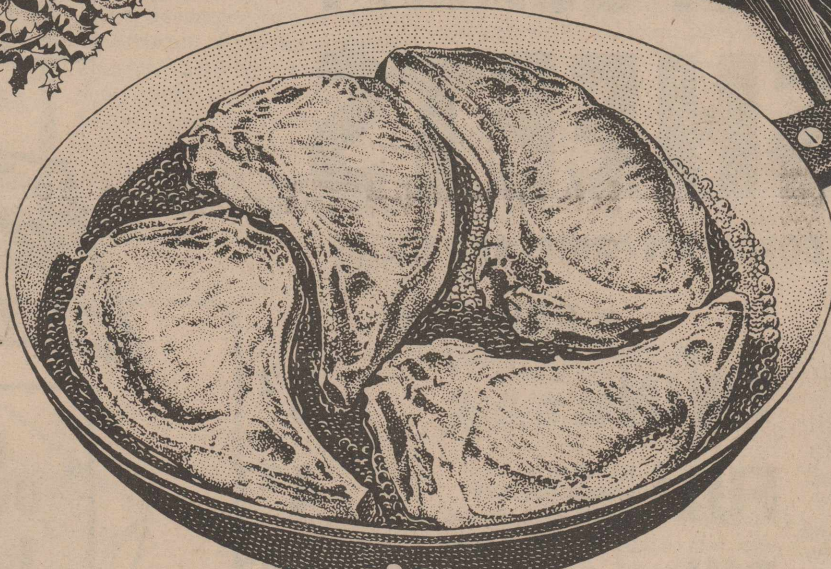
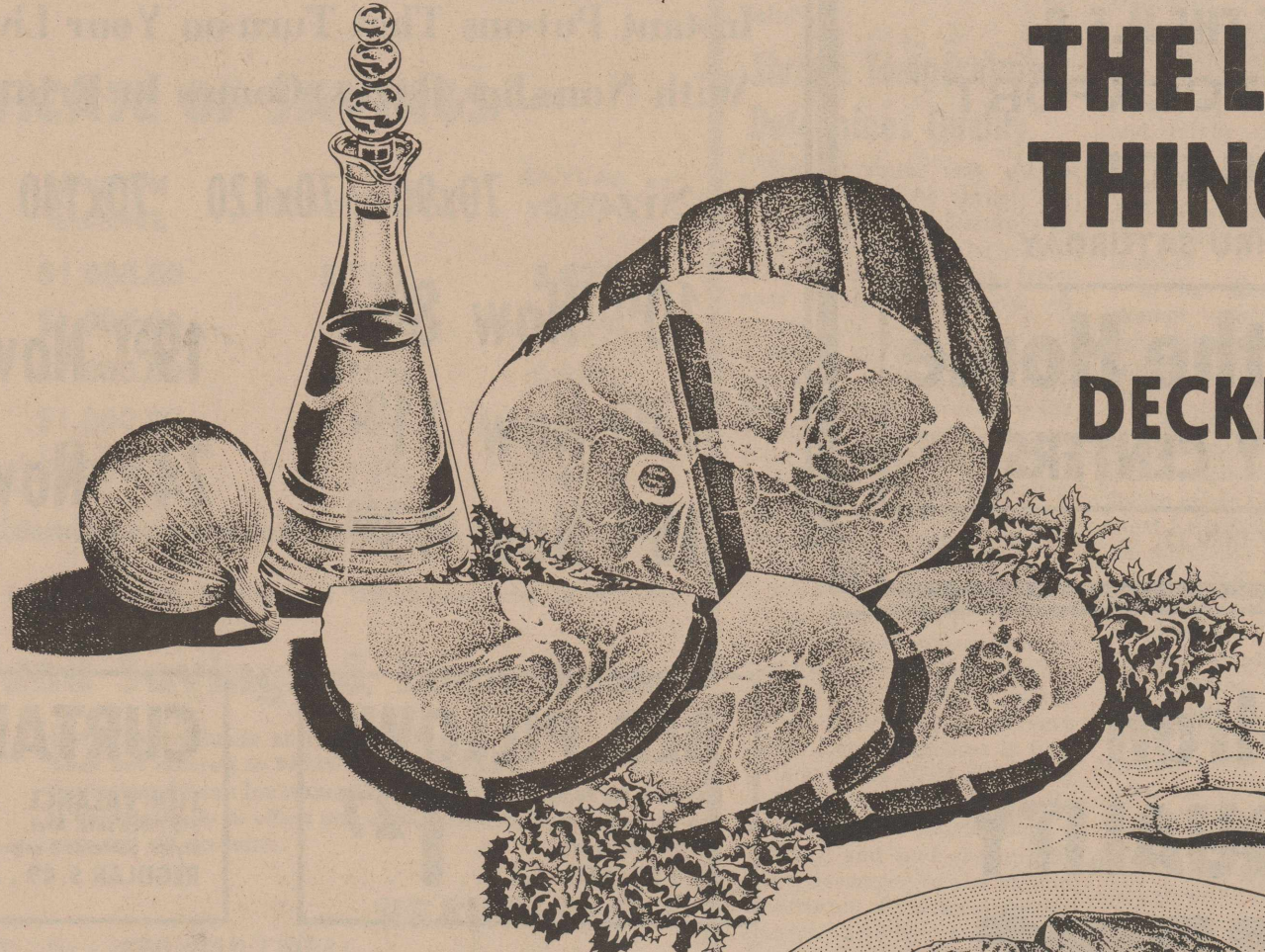


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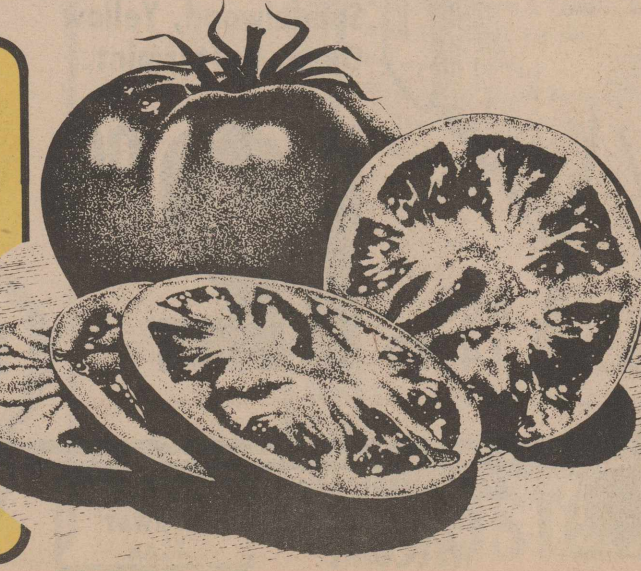
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Free Diesel Engine Maintenance Clinic Is Slated

Now that the shrimping season is in full swing, it seems obvious that this is not the year to experience any major engine failures requiring a large repair bill. Through proper maintenance and adequate knowledge to detect malfunctions, costly repair bills can be avoided.

With this in mind, the Aransas-San Patricio Marine Advisory

Committee in cooperation with Seahorse Diesel Service Inc. is sponsoring a Diesel Engine Maintenance Clinic. The program, scheduled for Thursday, October 14 at 7:30 p.m. will be held in the maintenance shop of Seahorse Diesel Service Inc., 1212 W. Wheeler in Aransas Pass. Although the program will be

primarily directed toward GM diesel engines, the information will be general enough to benefit all diesel engine operators. The Aransas-San Patricio Sea Grant/Marine Advisory Committee consists of local individuals interested in the proper utilization of marine resources and insuring the

greatest benefits to the marine resource users. These goals are pursued through committee meetings, sponsorship of monthly programs, and providing guidance to the local County Extension Marine Agent. If you desire more information on the Advisory Committee or the Diesel Engine Program, contact Ralph Rayburn, Aransas-

San Patricio County Extension Marine Agent in Rockport at 729-1211.

The Diesel Engine Maintenance Program is free and open to the public.

By 1985, experts predict, U.S. natural gas production could reach 22.3 trillion cubic feet.

The Consumer Alert....

By Attorney General John Hill

AUSTIN—Acquiring a pedigreed cat or dog qualifies as a major consumer decision, since prices may range well up into the hundreds of dollars for certain animals. So inexperienced buyers would do well to proceed with caution, our Consumer Protection Division attorneys say.

Our legal experts and animal breeding experts both suggest that you "go slow" and never make a snap decision when purchasing an expensive animal. You should first analyze why you want such an animal and what you will want it to do. Is it to be a family pet? A show animal? Will it be used

for breeding? In the case of dogs, is it to be a working dog, a hunting dog, or a guard dog?

Another major thing to consider is the environment into which the animal will be required to fit. Will it be around small children? Some animals adapt readily to children, others do not. Will the animal be kept indoors in an apartment or house all day, or will it have an outdoor area in which to roam? Some breeds that are cooped up all day may expend restless energy on mischief.

How much time do you or others have to spend restless energy on mischief?

How much time do you or others have to spend on daily care, grooming, exercise, and training? Long-haired dogs and cats can often take considerable time daily for combing and brushing, and many large dogs need quite a bit of exercise and training.

After you analyze your needs and those of the animal, study the various breeds to learn which fit those requirements. You can get information from books, from magazines, from national organizations such as the American Kennel Club and the American Cat Fanciers Association, and from clubs devoted to special breeds. Attend shows and compare the various breeds. And ask owners and breeders for information. Most will be delighted to help you learn.

Only after you've selected the right breed for you should you begin to select a breeder. You may buy from breeders at shows, from breeders whose ads you have seen in dog or cat magazines, or from local breeders who advertise in the classified section of your newspaper. Some ads may indicate "no wholesaling" or "no litter lots." This means that animals are sold individually, not by entire litters for later resale. Puppy or kitten "mills" produce quantities of animals for later resale by middlemen but may not produce quality animals.

Most reputable breeders offer both "pet quality" and "show quality" animals for sale. Pet quality animals will have the characteristics of the breed, but may not be perfect specimens, and therefore are usually less expensive. Animals to be used for shows or breeding must meet more rigorous standards and generally cost considerably more. Even if you buy a show quality animal, however, there is no guarantee it will be a champion. Show quality means the animal has potential, but is no assurance it will be a champion. Only a very few breeders guarantee their animals to be champions.

Almost all reputable breeders offer a money-back or replacement guarantee if the animal you buy later exhibits any defects of heredity. Don't take chances though—get it in writing before paying. And make sure the length of the guarantee is spelled out. For dogs, you may want at least a two-year one, since it often takes that length of time for certain genetic defects such as hip dysplasia to appear.

Remember...it may be difficult to think of that cute pedigreed kitten or puppy as a long-term investment, in terms of money, time, and attention, but if you don't both you and the animal may later be sorry.

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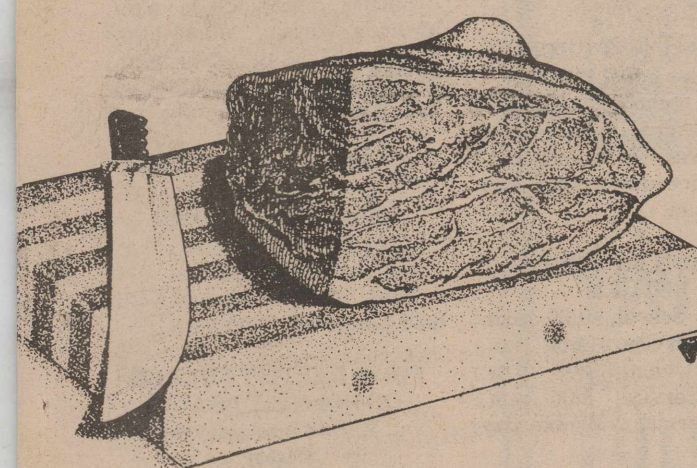
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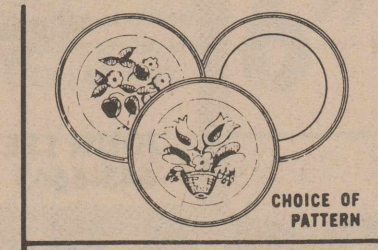
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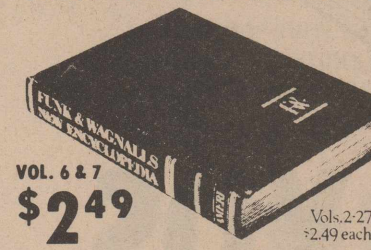
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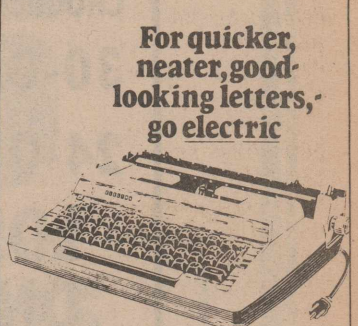
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Bill Janecek of Rockport was re-elected to the board of directors of the South Texas Chamber of Commerce at the Chamber's 50th Anniversary Annual Meeting in San Antonio Thursday, Sept. 30.

Janecek will continue to have a voice in chamber programs dealing with community, economic, and legislative development in the 50 county South Texas Region.

Houston attorney Leon Jaworski was the luncheon speaker at the two-day conference which also heard talks from Texas House Speaker Bill Clayton and Reagan Brown, Special Assistant to Governor Dolph Briscoe.

H. Will Cain of Houston was

elected president of the 1400 member organization at the meeting. Other officers elected included Sam Godfrey of San Antonio, vice president; L.P. Jones of Houston, vice president; R.C. Granberry of Corpus

Christi, vice president; Hilmer A. Fahrendthold of San Antonio, vice president; Herbert A. Yarbrough, Jr. of San Marcos, vice president; Glenn Biggs of San Antonio, vice president and treasurer and Pledger B. Cate, Jr. of San Antonio, executive vice president.

During the past year the South Texas Chamber of Commerce has been active in matters of state government, economic development, tourism and community development.

The Chamber's priorities for the remainder of the year will be an industrial tour to New York and New Jersey in November and preparation for the 1977 session of the state legislature.

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Putrid odors appeared more rapidly in shrimp held at 37 C than at 44 C where shrimp developed cooked-shrimp odors. Large increases in bacteria count at 30-44 C (after 6 and 24 hours) were usually accompanied by putrid odors.

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Q—Will my wife's income help me qualify for a GI home loan?

A—Yes. The VA gives full recognition to the income of both veteran and spouse.

Q—What help will the VA give my survivors in burying me?

A—If you had wartime service, VA will pay \$250 toward your funeral expense, plus \$150 toward your burial plot or interment cost. If your death is due to service-connected causes, VA will pay up to \$800 toward funeral and burial costs.

Q—I have four years honorable service during Korea. Will the VA pay medical expenses for my dependent wife and children?

A—No. The VA does not pay any medical benefits for dependents unless the veteran is rated 100 per cent permanently and totally disabled as the result of a service-connected disability or disabilities.

Q—Must I pay federal income tax on my GI Bill education benefit?

A—No. Among major tax exempt veterans benefits are compensation, pension, GI Bill and other educational assistance.

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Q—My first home was purchased with a GI loan. I am now selling this home. May a purchaser assume my GI loan?

A—You should obtain a release of liability from the VA if a purchaser assumes the loan. Otherwise, you may be held financially liable should the purchaser default on mortgage payments.

Fulton Lions Plan Halloween Carnival

Fulton Lions Club members and area club representatives will meet Oct. 12 at 7 p.m. in the Fulton Lions' Hall to continue preparations for the annual Aransas County Halloween Carnival.

The carnival is scheduled for Oct. 30 from 7 to 10 p.m. at the Aransas County Airport.

The Lions are cooperating with 15 area clubs and service organizations to provide an evening of safe fun and games for county children.

The carnival drive started this year with contributions from the Aransas Association of Retired Persons and the Fulton postmaster, and with County Judge John Wendell's go ahead for use of the airport building.

License Revenue
Tops \$12 Million

Revenue from the sale of 63 types of hunting, fishing and trapping licenses earned the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department a total of \$12,265,011 during the 1976 fiscal year.

The total represents a \$221,173 decline from the previous year.

P&WD license sales officials said big losers during the year were \$4.25 fishing and \$8.75 resident combination hunting and fishing licenses.

Some 53,000 fewer fishing licenses were sold, accounting for a drop of \$211,243. Sales of resident combination licenses dropped by 25,000, \$213,966 less in funds than 1975 fiscal year.

Other notable declines were among commercial fishing license sales. Revenue from commercial bay shrimp boat licenses dropped \$24,196; commercial Gulf shrimp boat, \$9,350; commercial fisherman, \$6,347; large retail fish dealer, \$2,520; and wholesale fish dealer, \$2,250.

Sale of such licenses makes up the bulk of revenue for the department's Game and Fish Fund Nine.

Tango Del Santo, a purebred Arabian colt owned by Mr. and Mrs. Bob George of the Double B-Bar-G Ranch between Rockport and Bayside, was named Reserve Champion Junior Stallion at the San Antonio Fall Charity Show, which ended Sept. 26.

It was the first show competition for the young colt, who also won first place among 1975 stallions. He is by Santiago, Rancho Santiago, Corpus Christi, out of Rab Tani, Mc-Sam Arabians, Bayside.

Tango Del Santo was shown in San Antonio by Greg Nokes of Seguin.

Energy experts say that if American industry could increase energy efficiency by 10 to 15 percent, we could save about 4 million barrels of oil a day—enough to run the state of California for 32 hours at today's consumption rate.

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One of the many special events scheduled for Rockport SeaFair is a Bicentennial musical, "I Love America," presented by the combined choirs of the First Baptist Church of Rockport.

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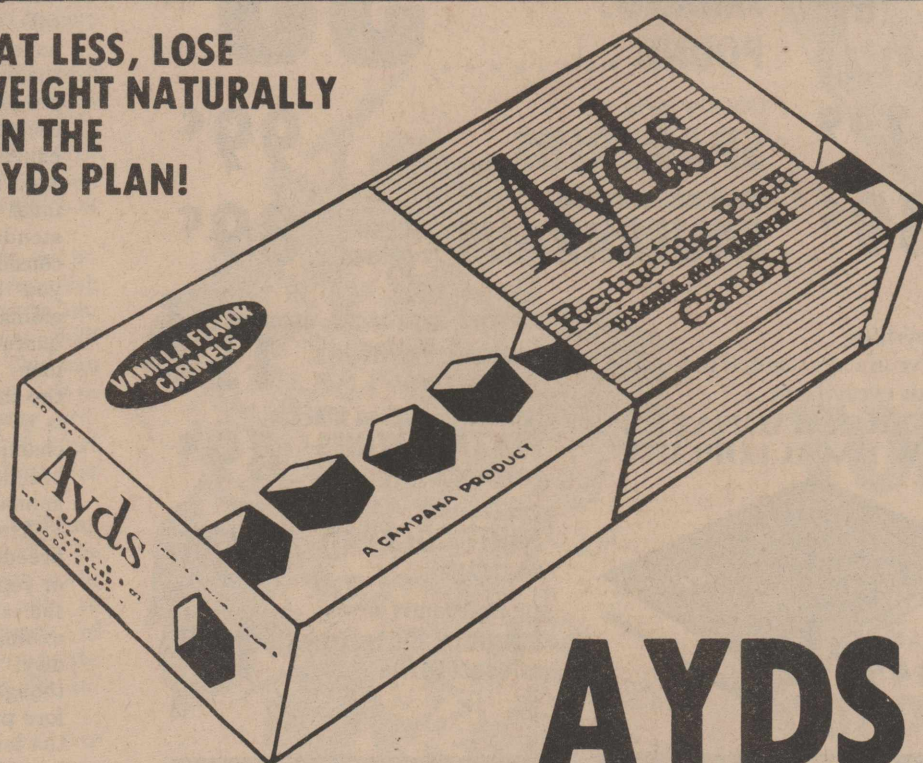
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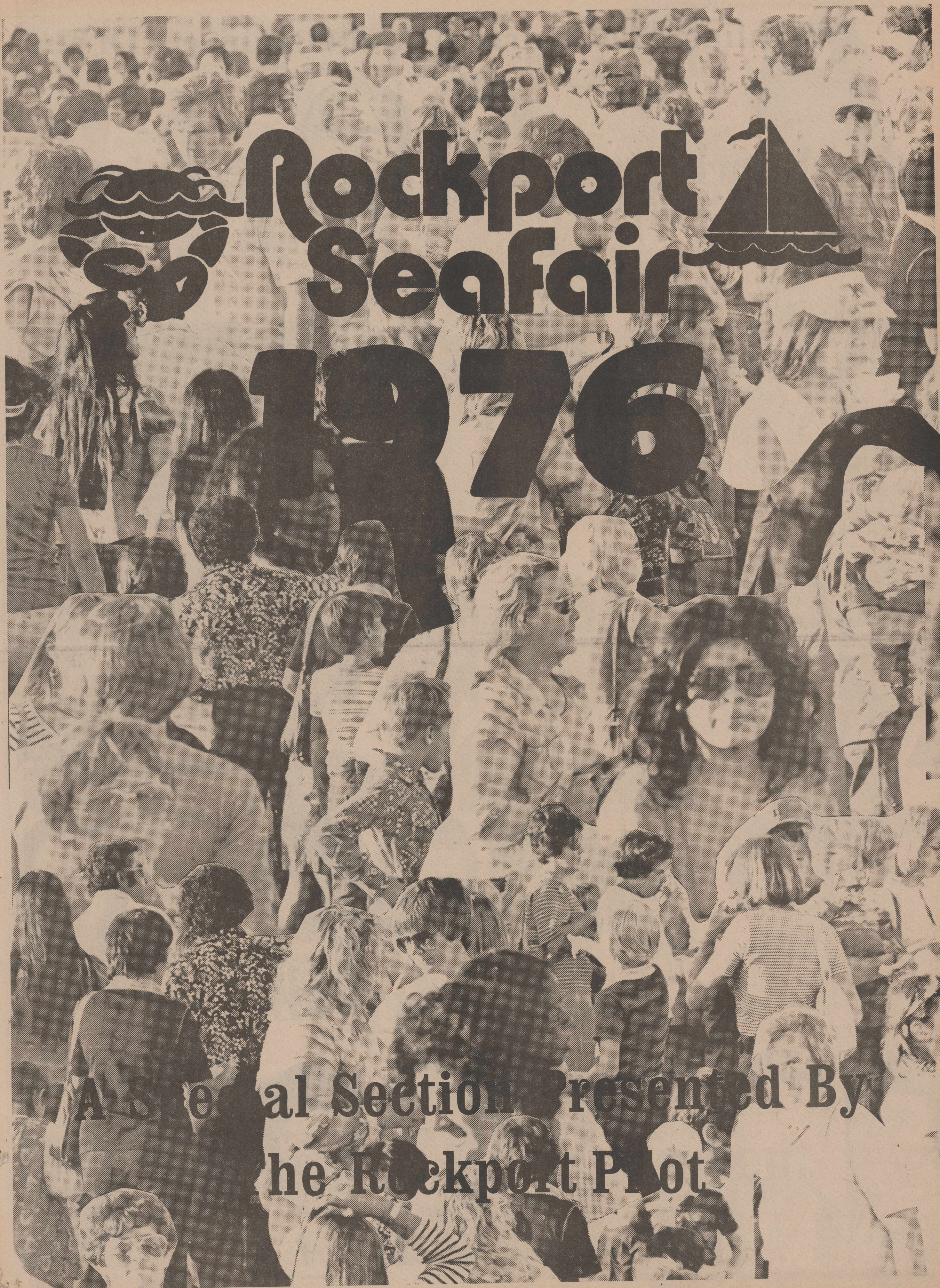
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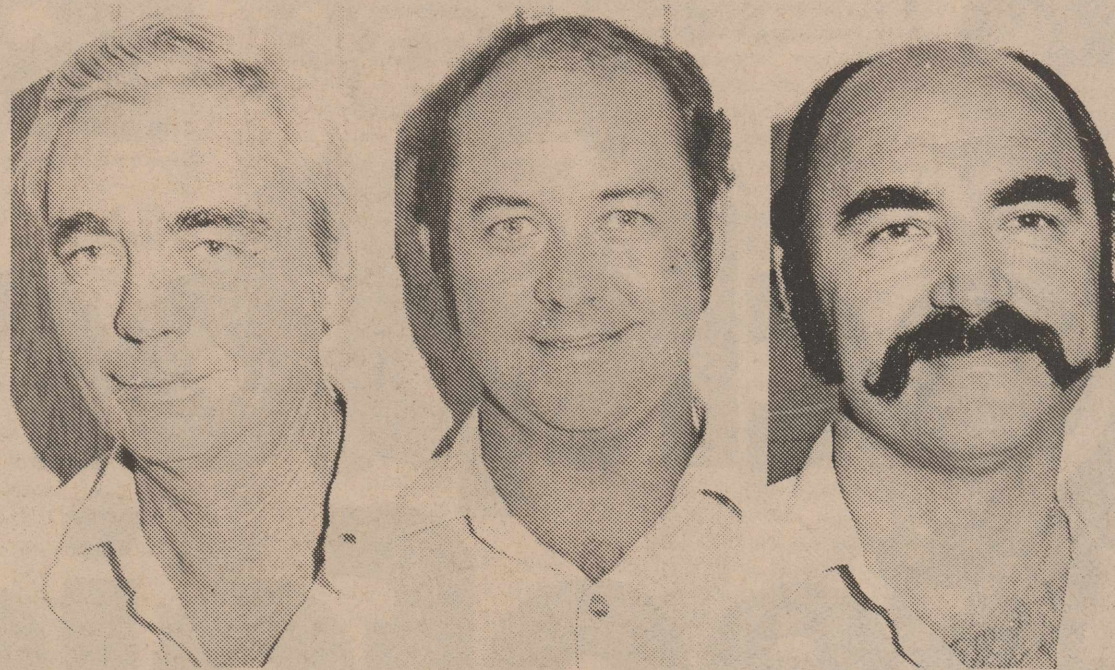


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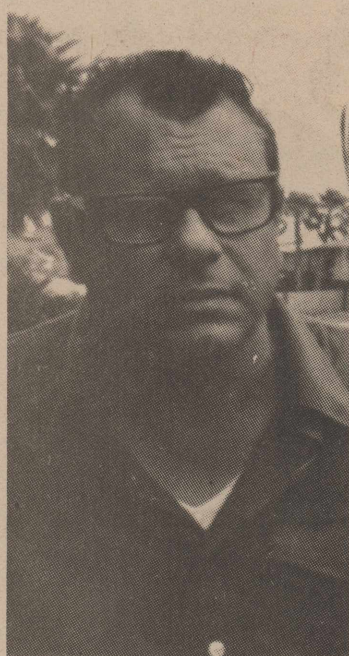
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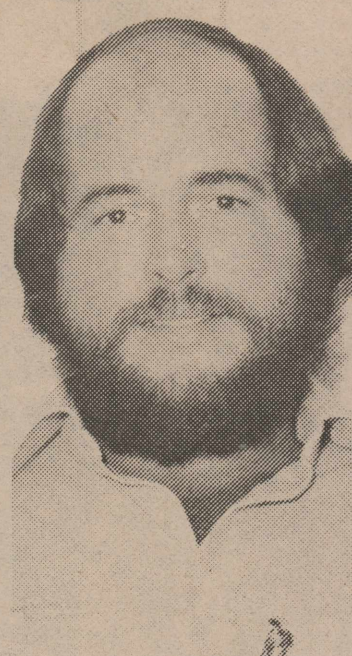
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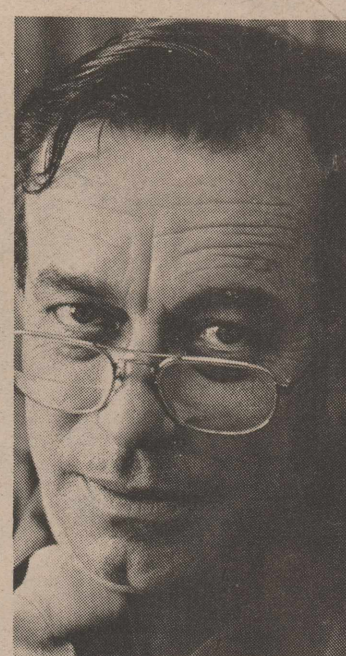
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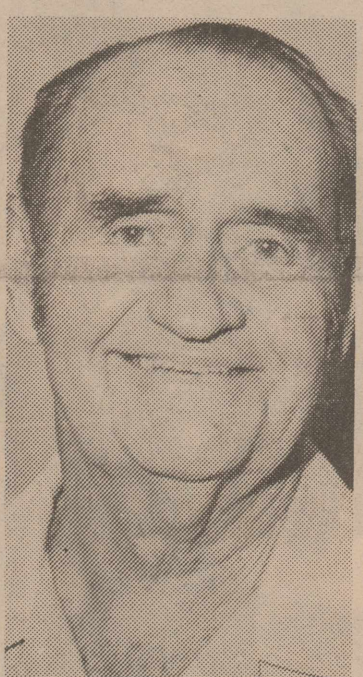
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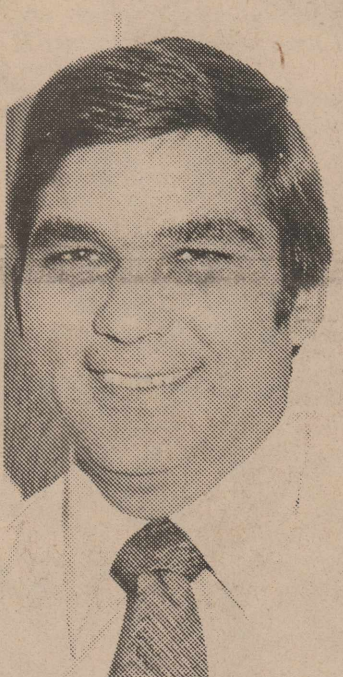
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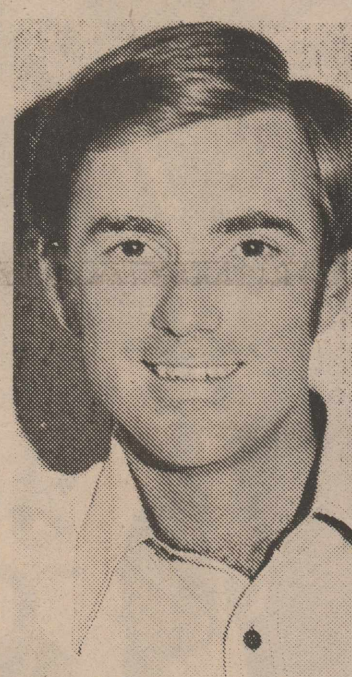
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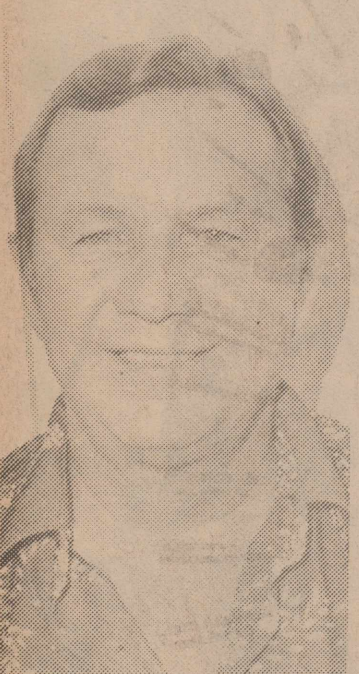
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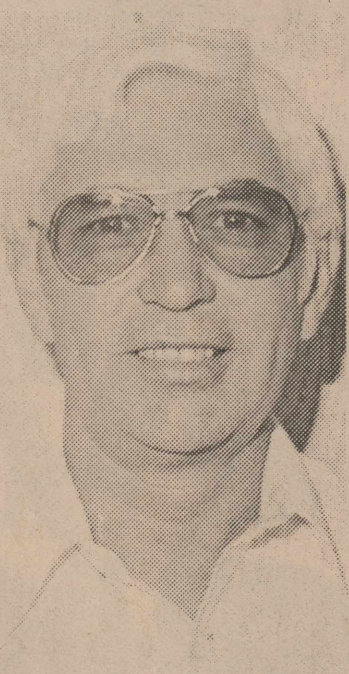
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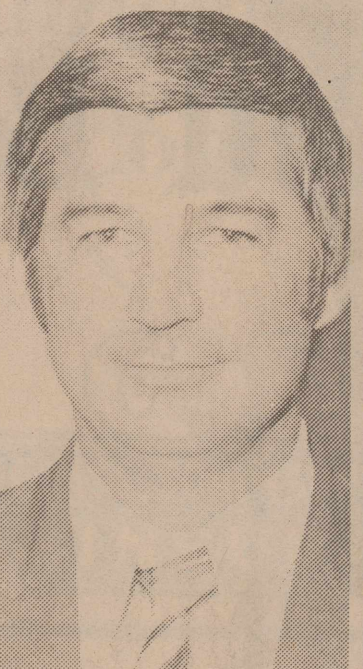
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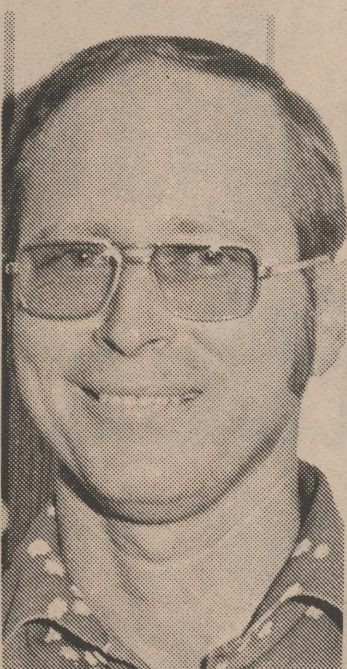
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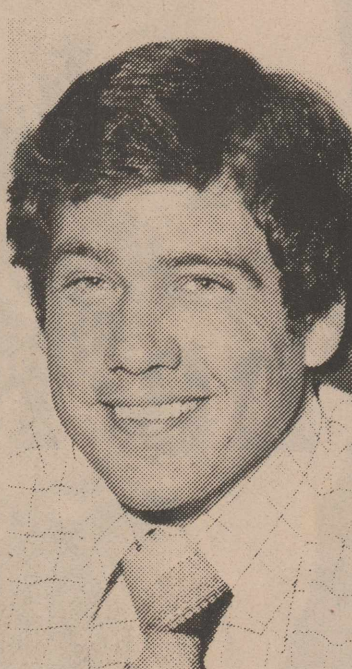
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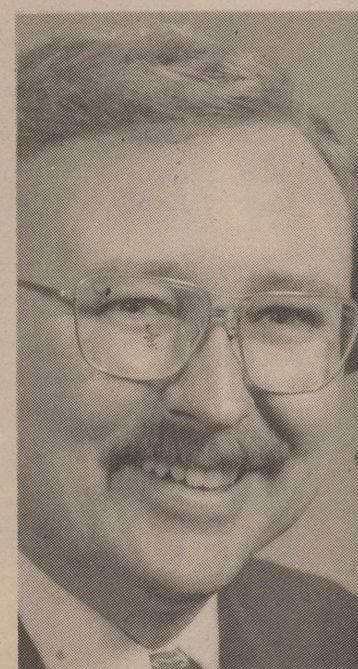
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This 'Mr. Christian' Had No Mutineers

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SeaFair is a family affair, and like most families, it began small.

The original idea came from Bill Christian, who presented the outline to the Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors in January of 1975.

At the time, Christian was chairman of the Chamber committee on advertising and tourism, and he considered the idea to be a "natural. What we had to offer and what we had to sell was so obvious and easy to do."

He envisioned it as a fall attraction to fill the lull between the summer exodus and the arrival of winter tourists. He also found an almost personal need on the part of community leaders that SeaFair could satisfy. "I detected a sort of hungering," he says, "for some kind of community effort, something simple that everyone could take seriously and make a success of, a success that would help bring the community together."

Christian had the format and purpose set in his mind when he made the initial presentation to the Chamber. It wasn't blindly original or heaven sent, and he felt that for the event to keep its power and appeal a deft focusing of purpose would be a must.

As a result of that conviction, he resisted, politely but firmly, attempts to make the event a Chamber of Commerce production, or to expand the scope beyond a marine orientation, making it a county fair or a circus event.

Christian also felt that the event should be run totally with volunteers, to avoid what he hinted was the slave driving atmosphere of the 1970 Centennial celebration, when professional organizers were brought in to oversee the production.

To keep things in the Rockport family and to allow for as much self expression as is possible in festival production, Christian approached recognized community leaders for help, promising them a free hand within the boundaries set up for the event's theme and purpose.

He established a steering committee from those early contacts who created a corpor-

ation for the event production called SeaFair, Inc., modestly enough.

The steering committee later became the SeaFair Board of Directors, and established food as the top priority.

Two men, then CPL manager Bill Janecek and Dr. Jerry Martin Shaw, were appointed to co-chairmanship positions to handle the tents and special event program and further organizing.

With Christian, Shaw and

Janecek recruited the 35 or so additional hands it required to cover the full scope of SeaFair activities. Each one was given a place on the chart of the production, and pretty much left alone.

"The people we went to needed another 'job' like they needed a hole in the head," says Christian. "So we let it be a form of personal expression. When it becomes a chore is when we lose the community feeling and the sense of caring

that makes the event unique." The results of the approach were that each of the chairmen of the individual productions volunteered to take the job on again in 1976.

The SeaFair was then on the downhill run, and Christian says it took off from scratch and never really slowed down. There was needling along the way to keep the herd moving, but no one faltered in the clutch or backed down when something needed to be done.

To establish a financial base to hire performers and pay for pre-production costs, the organization went to the community with an unbeatable proposition: any donations would be a one time thing, and the non-profit corporation would be self-sufficient from year one, if the sky didn't fall.

More than \$8500 was raised from community businessmen and from many local individuals. The largest contributions came from First National Bank, Casterline Fish Company of Fulton, and Rockport Yacht and Supply Company.

The sale of booth space provided additional pre-event funds, and SeaFair got off to a tremendous start when almost 20,000 people showed up to taste the fruits of all that labor.

And that overwhelming response, ironically enough, was the main problem with last year's SeaFair. "No one in his wildest dreams ever expected the crowd we got," recalls Christian. "It caused bottlenecks in the production of food and the sale of tickets. Most of the food booths ran out of what they thought was a two day supply early Saturday afternoon. They ended up buying additional stock retail and may not have made as much money as they should have from the volume they did."

Another problem was inexperience with crowds. Most organizations used backyard cookers inadequate for the task of serving a throng, and this year most will come prepared with commercial cookers and enough food to feed an army.

The Rockport Volunteer Fire Department, for example, has been cleaning fish for weeks and will have more than 2,000

pounds on hand when the booths open at noon Saturday.

If it rains, of course, things could get wet very quickly. Christian says the organization tried to buy insurance but found it was not available, even from Lloyd's of London, which has insured such high risk items as dancer's legs.

One unforeseen problem that arose out of the tremendous success of the original fair was some unexpected competition from our neighbors down the coast. They were so impressed with SeaFair, they decided to start their own.

Christian calls it a slap in the face, and equates it with San Antonio throwing a Nachfest days before New Braunfels cranks up for their Wursthfest. He feels, as do several other members of the local organization, that many South Texans could easily get the impression that the borrowing was the other way around.

Which would be criminal, almost, considering the work and cooperation which has

made the SeaFair in just one year one of the top festivals on the Gulf Coast.

The only real solution to that sticky problem is to blow the Crescent City off its crescent with a festival that will put Bayfest in the shade. And SeaFair seems on the brink of doing just that. The local site will be as good or better. The food will be much better and served far more attractively from large booths that lack the grubby carry look of midway frontage. The schedule of events will be focused far more satisfyingly on entertainment with a marine theme, and will make much better use of the natural theatre that is the sea.

And of course, and most importantly, there will be that intangible benefit and brightener called involvement. The number of people working at SeaFair from within the community probably numbers three or four hundred, an astounding ten percent of the town's population.



MARINE PAINTER. Corpus Christi native Steve Russell grew up on the waterfront, working on trawlers and barges and sketching marine scenes in his spare time. He showed his talent early and was an accomplished artist by his high school years. He studied life drawing and creative design at Del Mar College after high school graduation, then spent four years in the Navy, including a tour of duty in Vietnam. After discharge he moved to Mexico, then to Rockport in 1970. He works with oils and will show a broad range of marine scenes this Saturday and Sunday in a booth shared with Estelle Stair and Gertrude Bryant.

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Rockport Racquet and Yacht Club a local favorite. Regular members and professional management make an attractive country club for residents from all over the state, but each of the four Racquet club attractions, the Bay House

Restaurant, the Net Result Sport and Gift Shop, the condominium rental and the six tennis courts, is open to the public as well.

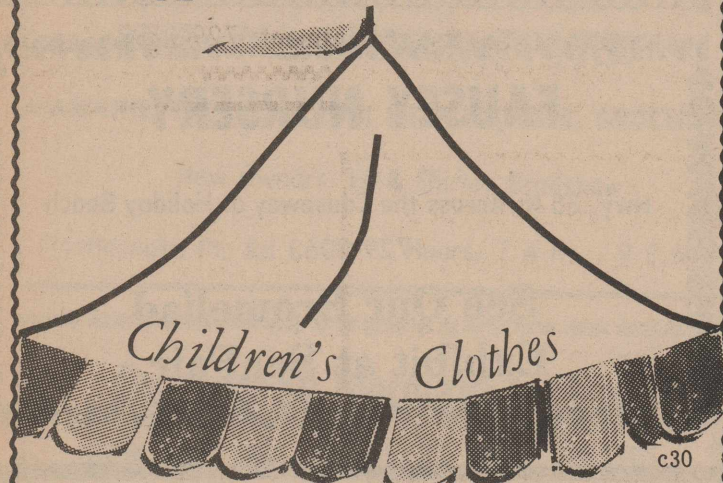
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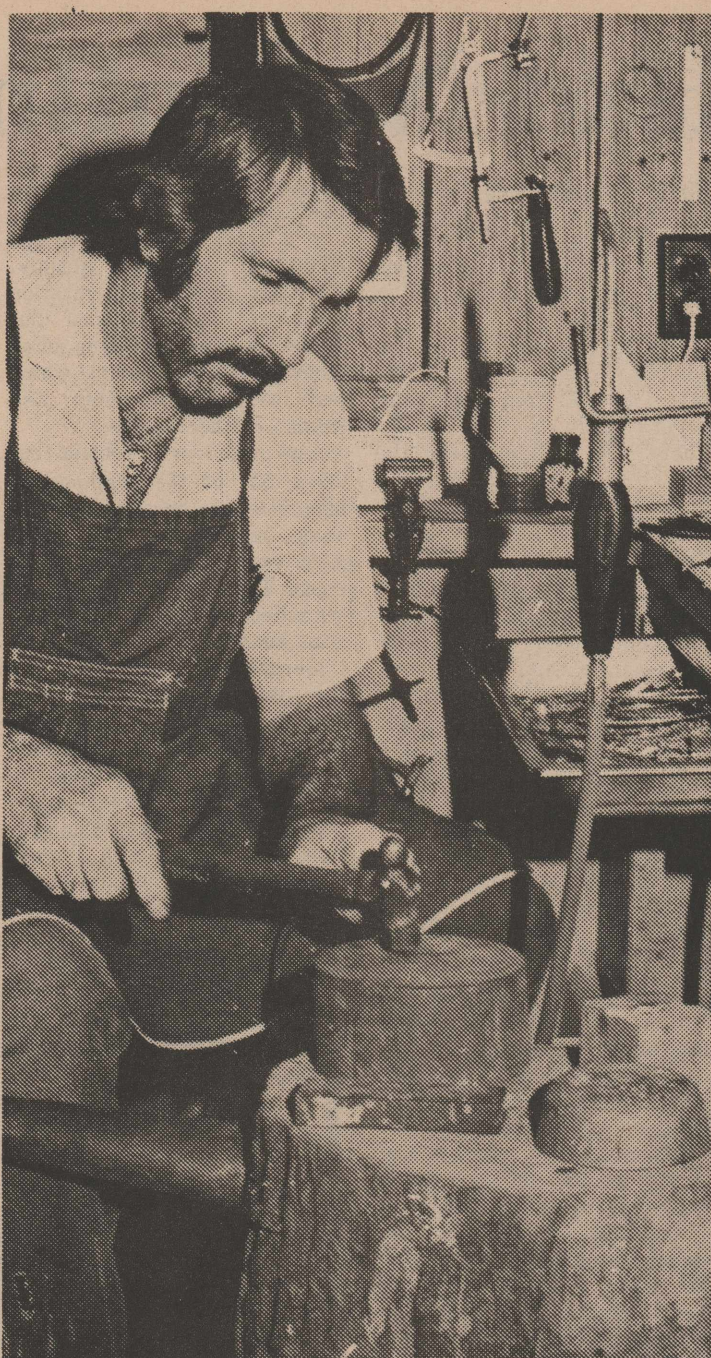
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Casterline Fish Company, Catching Up With SeaFair

There's a catch involved in the 1976 SeaFair. Organizers are using fresh bay seafood again this year to capture the heart of the thousands expected to attend, and chances are some of the thousands of pounds of seafood will come from Casterline Fish Company of Fulton.

Casterline has been filling wholesale freezers and retail stomachs along the Gulf coast for almost 40 years. The company was founded in 1937 by Frank and Cecil Casterline

L.E. Casterline, son of Frank, joined the firm in 1945 when he returned from World War II, and now a third generation of Casterline, Leslie, is involved in day to day management.

In the early days, Casterline bought its shrimp, fish and oysters from a handful of independent boats.

In the early 1950's the company began to build its own wooden hulled boats, and had as many as 20 at once.

Now the firm has its own fleet of 11 steel hulled shrimp boats ranging in length from 68' to 80'.

Casterline has had as many as 20 boats in its fleet, but increasing automation has made it possible to do the same volume with half that number. Over the years the company has added automatic scalers, suction unloaders and conveyors to speed its operations. Its boats now head the shrimp at sea, a task it used to take 40 men hours to do on shore.

The company has achieved success despite total destruction by a tornado in the aftermath of hurricane Beulah in 1967. The storm smashed the original Casterline plant to rubble, and the center section of the present building was erected on the cleared spot late in 1967.

In 1969, the company added a north wing to house a net shop and processing equipment. In 1976 the firm expanded again, adding a south wing which will soon house a retail market, the first in the history of the firm.

Like the SeaFair it serves, the Casterline company is still growing and changing, trying to do more, better.

First National SeaFair Service

As a contribution to business operations at SeaFair II, Oct. 9-10, First National Bank will operate a credit card verification service from a booth on the fairgrounds.

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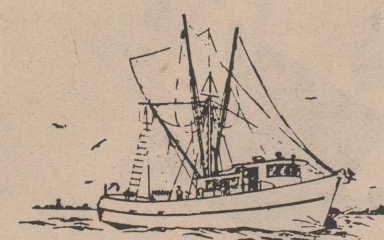
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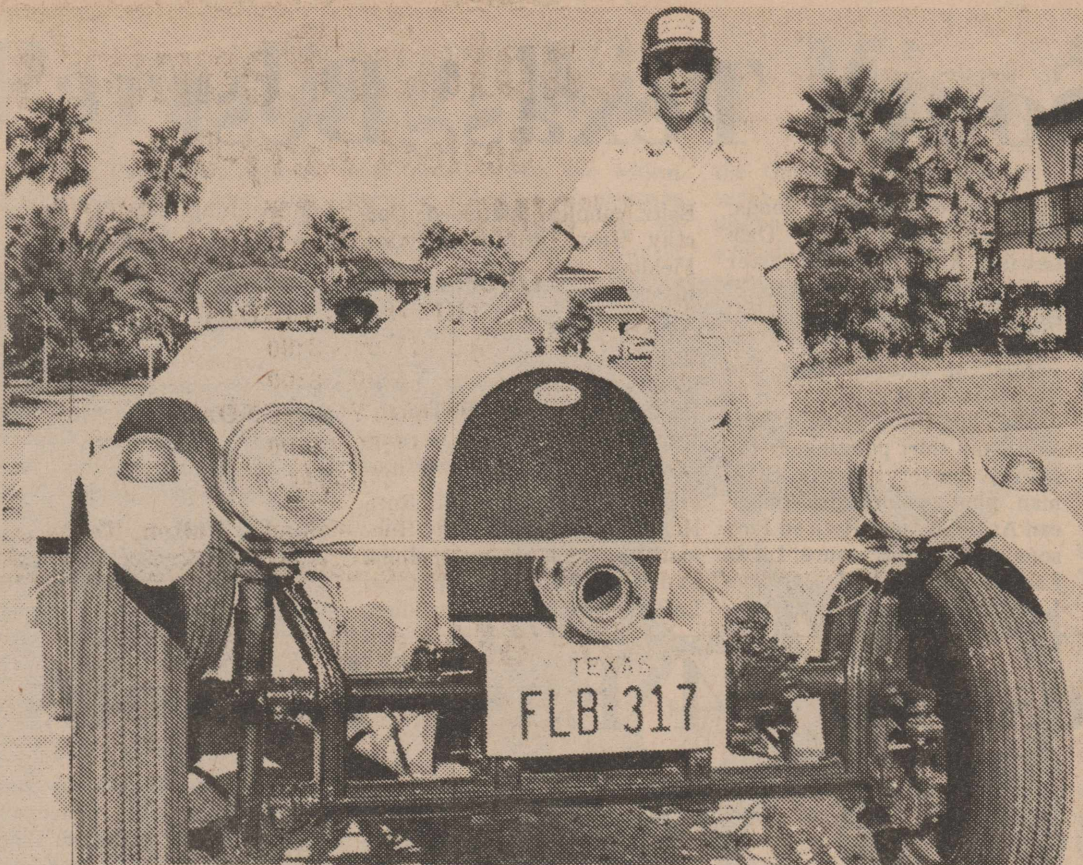
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LOW RIDER. Richard Fenwick stands beside a replica of the classic 1927, Type 35 Bugatti roadster. The car will be one of the entries in the land parade that opens SeaFair II Oct. 9 at 11 a.m. Fenwick, brother Gordon and father Charles built the replica on a Volkswagen chassis, recreating all of the

frame, lighting and body work that made the original line a favorite of car collectors the world over. The car took three months to build and is not yet complete in all interior appointments. It will be specially registered for use in the parade.

(Pilot Staff Photo by Perry Carter)

Floats, Brass, A Little Sass

Just to make sure that landlubbers don't feel totally left out in the marine oriented SeaFair, the event kicks off every year with a typically American parade, with some brass, a little sass, and a lot of good old showing off.

This year's parade has a Bicentennial theme in keeping with the nation's two hundredth birthday celebration, and the reds, whites and blues will be out in full force on floats, boats, bicycles and bands.

The official flag will also get its share of exposure from marching groups, including the VFW Color Guard and the Al-Amin Shrine Temple.

Local and state politicians will be out looking for votes, waving their arms off and grinning for all they're worth.

The Rockport-Fulton High School Band will be on hand to blast out its favorite marches and give some of the thousands of visitors a chance to see what the Fighting Pirate Band looks like in action.

The U.S. Navy Band will also be in the parade, going heavy on the brass to keep the long line moving.

The Rockport and Fulton Volunteer Fire Departments will be on hand to pass in review before the crowd. There will also be an air boat and a classic model Bugatti, as well as

a contingent from the Sparkling City Motorcycle Club of Corpus Christi.

The Aransas Riding Association will be on hand, as will Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts and Girl Scouts, and the Clowns of America, red noses glowing.

Miss Majorette Baton Academy will be twirling down the street for all their worth, and representatives of the VFW Ladies Auxiliary, including the group's state president, will also be on hand.

Bill's Bar B-Que will have a float, as will the Ingleside Lions. There will be a covered wagon from Sweetwater, Texas heading 'em up and moving 'em out, and a little something special from the Rockport Chamber of Commerce.

Chairman Bob Lawler expects several more entries between press time Tuesday and parade time Saturday, but this year's parade is already as big as last year's.

In addition to the floats and such, there will be a parade within the parade for bicyclists who decorate their vehicles in keeping with the Bicentennial theme. Lawler suggests everything from streamers to lights to crepe papered wheels, and leaves the final product up to the entrant.

If you plan to decorate your bike and enter, just drop by at

10 a.m. when the parade begins forming. You don't need to register anywhere before hand. Prizes will be awarded to the best decorated bikes, and ribbons for added places. Patty McMillan will be the judge.

Prizes will also be awarded in the main parade for best float, best marching group, etc., along with a variety of ribbons.

It is sure to please, and it begins at 11 a.m. in position number on on the SeaFair Calendar of Events. Starting point is the Rockport Post Office on Market Street. The parade will proceed down Market to Austin Street, and down

Austin to the SeaFair grounds, where it will end approximately 12 noon as the rest of the festivities begin.

The floats and such will disperse at the Navigation District Building beside the SeaFair grounds.

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Founded more than half a century ago as a one-man operation, Glass, Sorenson and McDavid Insurance Agency has grown through the years until it now requires a staff of seven, including Jack McDavid, managing partner of the local firm.

In the beginning, and for a number of years, the agency required only part-time attention from its owner, Charles Johnson. His principle responsibility was running First National Bank. The number of insurance companies he represented and their scope and services were very limited compared with today, according to McDavid.

The next owner of the agency was Travis Johnson, son of Charles, followed by the late A.C. Glass who was joined in a partnership by James H. Sorenson, Jr., following the

latter's return from service in World War II. McDavid joined the partnership in 1953 and has managed the business since that time. Glass sold his interest to his partners in 1968. John McDavid, Jr., is now associated with the firm.

Glass, Sorenson and McDavid moved into its present building at Austin and Laurel Streets in 1974, and added 500 more feet of floor space this year to accommodate increasing business.

The local agency has handled automobile insurance since the early "horseless carriage" days, but McDavid says the insurance area which has grown most in complexity and scope is fire and casualty insurance.

McDavid has also noticed a change in the agent-customer relationship over the years.

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Craft Show May Be South Texas' Best

The second annual SeaFair will feature one of South Texas' largest craft shows ever. Chairwomen Kathy Rogero and Gail Roaten have signed a total of 72 craftsmen-artists from all over Texas.

Twenty-five of the craftsmen are from Rockport, and the show could be the catalyst the local craft colony need to give them statewide recognition like that currently enjoyed by the Rockport Art Association.

The crafts, as is obvious by the number, cover the whole spectrum of personal creativity, involving sculpture, painting, pottery, metal working, wood carving, candle making, photography, needlecrafts and rare skills such as glass staining and sand-casting.

There was a conscious effort on the part of festival organizers this year to boost the craft displays, in hopes that the added exposure would be a public success for craftsmen on the order of the Fourth of July Rockport Art Show.

The added emphasis is part of a national movement toward greater recognition of craft artists. The counter culture had always valued the skills, placing Indian cultures on pedestals and eventually co-opting a good deal of tribal technique for mass production. But infusions of integrity from local, closely knit colonies such as the one that thrives in Rockport have put craftsmen back in national museums and back in the esteem of an increasingly sophisticated and critical public.

Trash Pickup Is Scout Good Deed

SeaFair crowds will leave tons of trash behind, and to prevent that reality from becoming a health hazard and a major problem during the festival, the SeaFair organization has arranged for a clean-up committee composed of area Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts to keep the grounds as free of debris as possible.

The troops and packs will operate on a continuous basis, mingling with the crowd and picking up as they go along.

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The five troops and packs are under the direction of N.F. Jackson, Jr., and include representatives from Cub Packs 49 and 340, and Boy Scout Troops 49, 280 and 281.

Visitors, of course, can help the boys out by using the trash bins which will be placed around the grounds.

The overwhelming demand for space at this year's fair, and the experience gained from last year's production should mean an increase in both quality and quantity over the 1975 exhibition, which was itself among the Coastal Bend's finest.

Chairwomen Rogero and Roaten say they see no reason why the Fair can't have the Southwest's best craft exhibition for several years to come. To assure that success, they have sought craftsmen from as far away as Plano, Texas, and

have scored several coups, including master carver Dale Lewis of Alvin, and sand caster and sculptor Hays Parten of Houston and potter Jim Daniel of Liberty Hill.

And, of course, there are Rockport's best: Fred and Rita Sydow, silver-smith and shirt painting; Betsy Larrey, pottery; Becky Bateman, photography; the American Association of Retired Persons, trash and treasure; Linda Lanfair, macrame; Mrs. George L. King, needlecraft; Barbara

Beltz, candles, driftwood; Dorothy Gray, stuffed animals; Fielding and Alynne Gouge, paintings and macrame.

Also, Doris King, macrame and ceramics; Dick Windstrup, metal craft; Joe Everitt, hanging baskets and wooden stands; Copanoakers Club, various crafts; Fran Lyons, various crafts; Dian Kubiak and Ruth Heasley, hand work; Judy Ruhman, macrame; Rockport Home and Garden Club, plants; LoRene Basham, shell candles,

tole painting and 3D decoupage; Judie Wilderson, Tri-Chem liquid embroidery; Blair's Tradewinds Shell Shop, shells; Rockport Business and Professional Women's Club, various handicrafts; Marvina Mix, assorted handicrafts and balloons; the Aransas County Hospital Volunteers, Inc., various crafts; and Gladys Norman, pottery.

The quantity of the crafts should assure a broad appeal to the diversified festival crowd.

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Chairmen Dusty and Linda Smith and Steve Mahnke have lined up 12 All American food and eight types of seafood—all of it fresh and prepared by people who know how to make you lips roll back and your tongue say howdy...

And if you think that's corny you're showing your ignorance. The SeaFair sold out of food tickets in 1975 and you don't have to guess at the reason. This year's crowd should keep the boats even busier and may

even touch the bottom layers of the \$80,000 worth of food tickets.

There's lots of everything for everybody, and if you don't like something here you might as well drown yourself in the Ski Basin.

If you do decide to end it all, try some of the Rockport Rotary Club's stuffed crab, at least you'll end up in heaven.

Or try some Allegro Club corn on the cob on for size, or a fresh salad by the AARP. Much a few french fries by the Fulton Volunteer Fire Department, and satisfy a sweet tooth with desserts and coffee by the Rockport Business and Professional Women's Club.

Ruminate on one of the paintings displayed with a mouth full of boiled shrimp courtesy of the Rockport-Fulton Tourist Association, or check out the ski show over some fried fish from

the Rockport Lions Club.

Take the Rockport Volunteer Fire Department up on some fried shrimp and shark fritters, and send it down smooth with some iced tea or a snow cone from the Rockport-Fulton Pirate Band Boosters Club.

If you like a little concentrated variety and crave a sure thing, try some beans, cole slaw and gumbo from the Rockport Volunteer Fire Department Auxiliary.

The SeaFair Organization is lying in wait for your stomach with some fried oysters if everything else has failed up to that time, and the Young Homemakers will finish you off with BBQ shrimp.

Give the kids some cotton candy from the ABC Learning Center, then find a place to sit so your metabolism can get to work.

My daddy always told me not

to say that, but I just know you are going to find peace of stomach at the SeaFair. The food is great, the prices are reasonable, even cheap, and what's more, neither Jimmy Carter or Gerald Ford will be there to ruin your dinner with promises.

If you're tired of the bored walk, if you're tired of test patterns staring you to sleep, if you're tired of restaurants with bad service and high prices, if you always thought food tasted better outdoors but were afraid to go outdoors because your wife would want you to mow the yard, if you've had just about enough of just about everything, come to the SeaFair and get happy, and get down on some Texas size portions of the best seafood in South Texas. Tel 'em your stomach sent you. They'll know what to give you.



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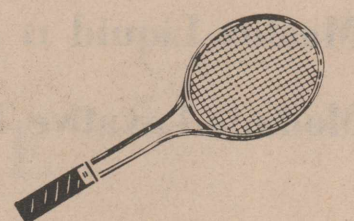
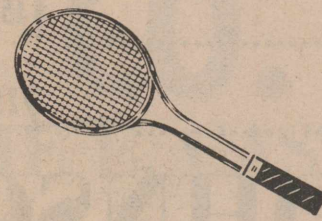
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Parading With Miss Texas In 1976

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has always drawn the widest possible selection of pleasure and business boats for all intents and purposes. Even in

the thirties and forties, pictures of the port and ski basin looked more like Dunkirk than a small town in Texas.

Last year the parade drew everything from the most formidable 65' cruisers to a 10' jon that brought up the rear, but smartly.

Chairman Russ Wilhour and assistant Jerry Star at Key Allegro Marina expect at least 30 entries this year and the same kind of madcap diversity. They also expect a last minute rush. Newsletters went out Saturday to Marina members, who form the largest contingent in the parade, and the gate should come flying open about

Oct. 5 as everyone hauls out the desire and the decorations for a turn around the basin.

The boat parade will form this year at 2 p.m. in front of the Marina between the Marina docks and the Key Allegro Inn. Chairman Wilhour will call out entrants by the boat names to assure an orderly, straight procession. Assistant Star says they'll place at least one tested sea captain every five or six boats to keep everything shipshape. The cruiser Por Favo will lead, but that's not the best

news for anyone who likes beautiful women. Miss Texas will be atop boat number two, the "Hollie Dollie," which belongs to Master of Ceremonies Joe Hugenberg.

The boats will proceed out of the Marina channel and parade around the Ski Basin islands counter clockwise, giving the landlubbers an eyeful of both boats and beauty, as it were.

The boats will be decorated with flags and streamers and anything else their owners come up with. It's a wide open affair and entries are still being taken at the Key Allegro Marina. So if your boat isn't hot, stop by and talk to Chairman Russ Wilhour or Jerry Star and get in line for the second annual SeaFair boat parade.



Miss Carmen McCollum

Johnson's: A Great Place To Shop For Fine Things

Uniqueness and variety are the goals of the annual Rockport SeaFair, and they are also goals which have inspired the expansion and improvement of local businesses such as Johnson's Drug and Boutique.

When owner Bob Eschberger took over Johnson's Drug Store in 1965 the firm had a sound reputation and a solid sales base in pharmaceuticals. Eschberger has, in 11 years, expanded the scope of the store to include a wide variety of quality non-drug items while keeping the full service drug store services that established the business in Rockport. As always, Johnson's under any name will have the lowest possible prescription prices, prescription delivery, charge accounts and 24 hour emergency prescription services.

But this year, Eschberger is emphasizing Johnson's growth into a fine gift store and boutique as well. The store's Gull's Nest boutique is unique in the Coastal Bend area, and includes the Hang Ten line of

shirts, skirts, slacks, tops, vests and bikinis, the Stuffed Shirts and Jeans line and a host of others.

Johnson's also boasts one of the Coastal Bend's largest line of quality gift items. "I feel that we have a gift for just about anyone, from \$1 to \$800," says Eschberger. "We buy gifts from all over the world at markets where other businesses don't go. We try to find unique items, items which aren't often seen in this area."

As a result of that careful merchandising, Johnson's customers will find a variety of gifts from Germany, Portugal, Japan, Italy, and a selection of fine Czechoslovakian crystal.

The Coastal Bend's largest greeting card line is also found in Johnson's, where an unmatched collection is headed by Hallmark's fine Ambassador line.

Like SeaFair, Johnson's is keeping its eye on the times, and becoming a shopping event.

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PROLIFIC CRAFTSWOMAN. ZoRene Basham, although an artist for almost six years, has been an active craftswoman for only one year. SeaFair will be the largest show of its kind she has ever attended. She has varied skills and will take a variety of

crafts to the show, including 3D decoupage, (in frames in the foreground), shell candles (left and right corners), and shell mirrors (in upper right and left corners). She will also show shell wind chimes such as those hanging in the foreground.

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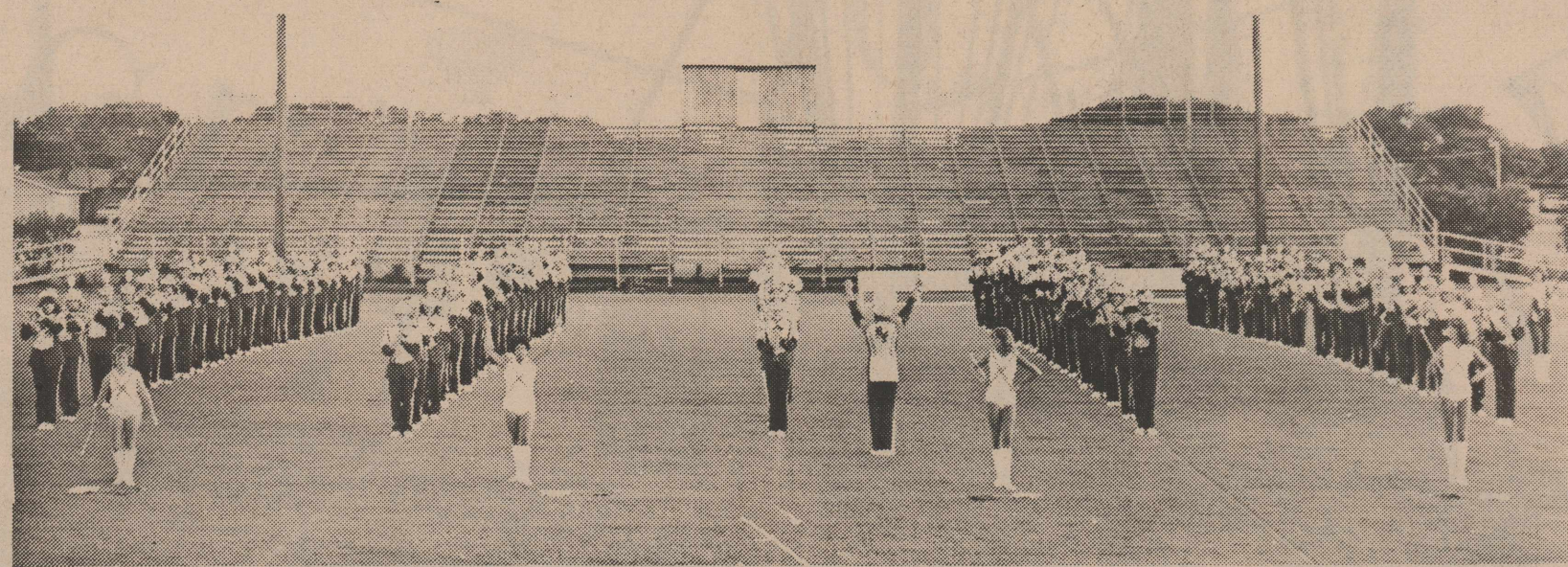
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SeaFair Special Events: What They Did For An Encore

The Rockport SeaFair has the largest stage in South Texas for its schedule of special events—the Ski Basin. And organizers have made the most of that natural theatre with a long list of demonstrations, races, and a parade, all in full view of the expected crowd of

20,000.

Chairmen Jerry Shaw and Reese Rozzell have kept the majority of last year's successful schedule, added a little music, and honed the timing and production of the events to give performers maximum exposure and minimum repeti-

tion and delay.

The result should be breathtaking, with none of the formalities and hindrances of stages and props, just blue sky and water as a backdrop for some of the most daring and exciting water sports and demonstrations.

First on the list of special events after the opening parade is the world famous Galveston SeaArama Professional Ski Show, the "Wild Wet West," which packs clowns, acrobatics, stunts, daredevil jumps and several beautiful girls into thirty minutes.

It's made up of five male and five female skiers, all high school or college students from the Galveston/Houston area who perform the pictured two over and one under helicopter jump, blind jumps, multiple skier pyramids, flag routines, slalom routines, and even some no hands skiing. Don't miss it. You'll have three chances both days, at 1:30, 3:45 and 6 p.m. Saturday; and 12 noon, 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. Sunday.

Saturday at 2:30 p.m. the annual sailing regatta begins in Aransas Bay in front of Rockport Beach. The race is open to all sizes of boats, and will be run under the Portsmouth Handicap system to give each skipper an equal chance. The race will be approximately seven miles in length, and the boats will be finishing at the starting line at approximately 5 p.m. The race will be repeated Sunday, and the point leaders over the two day period will receive trophies courtesy of the local yachting association.

The U.S. Coast Guard is back this year with its exciting "Air-Sea Rescue" demonstration. It's done with split second timing by a Guard helicopter and a water crew to simulate the rescue of a stranded boat by the dropping of a tow line and a quick pull to shore. There is also a simulated life saving maneuver for a single man or woman, with a basket drop into the water and a quick haul up, the helicopter hovering gracefully a few feet from the water. It's a kind of military Hollywood that will keep you on the edge of your little bit of shoreline.

After the rescue demonstration, you'll be able to relax with the Gary Beck group from the local Rockport Racquet and Yacht Club. The Beck Group is a popular feature at the club's Bayhouse Restaurant, and you'll be able to see why at 4:15 Saturday.

At 5 p.m. Saturday there will be an Air Boat demonstration. What can we say but the obvious. It will blow you away.

At 5:30 p.m. there will be a spinnaker flying demonstration by local sailors. It will be worth a look to catch pros with the hammer down, long on grace

and perfect timing.

The Texas Southern Gumbo Cook-Off finals are at 6:30 p.m., culminating a day of boiling and toiling by some 40 local and not so local chefs who have brought out time honored recipes and put them to the test of judges who are experts in the field. You'll be able to taste the winner if you're quick enough for only 50 cents.

Saturday's events end with a Street Dance featuring "Bob Clawson and the Nashville Beats," a Corpus Christi Progressive Country group with four albums to their credit and enough musical style to please almost everyone. The dance will be held south of the SeaFair grounds and north of the Wee Putt Miniature Golf Course. Admission is free and beer will be sold. You can cap off a perfect day at SeaFair with some turns around the street with the Nashville Beats, and a beer or two to steer you through until 1 a.m.

Sunday, the First Baptist Church combined choir presents a musical selection written especially for SeaFair, "I Love America," at 1 p.m.

Miss Texas for 1976, Carmen McCollum, the second runner

up at the Miss America contest, and the not so arguably prettiest girl in Texas, is the star attraction for Sunday's events. She will arrive by plane thanks to donations by local business and some free plane time courtesy of local residents, and she reciprocates at 2:30 p.m. Sunday by leading the second annual boat parade from the Key Allegro Marina counter clockwise around the Ski Basin Islands. She will ride in style on top of boat number two, the "Hollie Dollie," owned by Master of Ceremonies Joe Hugenberg.

At 3 p.m. on Sunday the Rockport-Fulton High School Stage Band will give a concert. Out of uniform and off the field,

steps to remember, these hand picked musicians can take their songs to town. It will be a mixture of jazz and rock and with no lines to make and no ballads, all no holds barred.

The final Galveston SeaArama Ski Show and another Air Boat Demonstration will fill out the final hours of SeaFair, but don't forget the Crab race at 4:30 p.m. It is the funniest thing in SeaFair, and a guaranteed crowd pleaser. So "snap to." Make all the special events at a special event, the Rockport SeaFair II.

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The visitor seeking an overview of the Rockport area at SeaFair will be best served by the 60 general and commercial exhibits housed in tents A through E on the festival grounds.

The commercial exhibits provide an example from most areas of the town's marine and leisure based economy, as well as incidental insights into the imagination of the local business community and its talent for self-promotion, since each of the booths are rented without strings attached. What you see is what you get.

The 30 general exhibits represent the best foot forward from a number of local, state and federal service and research organizations who deal with some facet of the gulf coast's natural or technological environment.

As a whole, the general exhibits represent an expanded commitment on the part of several agencies to explain their operations and success to

the public. Cuts in federal spending left many agencies short of promotion dollars in the Bicentennial year, ironically enough, and Chairmen Bo and Edie Clark had to search far and wide for those with money enough to make the trip. They came up with an excellent group, however, including double and triple booth displays from a number of agencies who were crowd favorites last year. And those who have signed on seem determined to damn the expense when they arrive.

The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department will have a three booth display this year on gun explosions—right in the timely middle of hunting season.

It's a fascinating, detailed glimpse at a common and sometimes tragic happening. And TP&WD won't pick on anyone in particular. They'll have displays on Remingtons, Winchester, Savages, Brownings, Colts, and on down the list of rifles, handguns, shotguns, etc.

If it happens to you, they not only will have told you so, they will have showed you what it

will look like when it happens.

The Army Corps of Engineers, which affects the life of every coastal resident in Texas, will have a double booth at SeaFair to explain the full scope and impact of its services on the gulf coast. It should be a fascinating glimpse into the agency which controls the construction and maintenance of, on and in all Texas waterways.

The Texas Water Quality Board keeps its thermometer in spaceship Earth at all times,

and you'll get a chance to learn how to read the temperature at a triple booth in SeaFair II. TWQB will have the explanations and results of a battery of tests they perform regularly in waterways, inland lakes, and in the shrimp beds which feed the Texas economy.

The Sea Food Marketing Association will return with its popular recipe exhibit. There will be hints and cooking tips for both neophytes and past

masters.

The University of Texas won't have their Marine Laboratory back this year, but they will have a display of its findings, and words on just about everything else the University does in maritime research and evaluation. All in booth 122.

Texas A&M will have a double booth this year to report on the continuing success and development of its inland shrimp farms.

The Texas Maritime Academy will report on its full schedule of classes for the training of merchant seamen.

Land subsidence, the bane of towns up, and down, the gulf coast, will be part of the exhibit conducted by the U.S. Geological Survey. USGS will also have an operating wave machine to demonstrate the effects of storms and tide patterns on the problems of subsidence and erosion.

The Seafood Producers Association will be showing the public their full range of activities and services in two separate booths, number 109 and 120, and the US Coast Guard Auxiliary will administer a water safety test in booth 123.

In addition, the Texas Parks and Wildlife steel-hulled shrimper "Western Gulf" will be docked in Rockport and open for free walkthrough tours during both SeaFair days.

It will be easy to see from the commercial exhibits that the magnet that draws the people who make Rockport what it is, is the sea. Leisure with a touch of art is the name of the game in Rockport, and it is reflected in the dozens of shops selling sporting equipment and sports wear, leisure and beach wear, shells, crafts, and free form footwear.

The commercial exhibits will

also offer a coup of sorts to the viewers. Fall and winter lines are just now coming out, and they will be out in full array at SeaFair in booths by local dressmaker and marketers.

So for what's new and new to you, come to SeaFair's commercial and general exhibits. You'll probably learn something, and maybe even learn to love the results more than those tax dollars.

Antiques, A History Of Service

"We try to provide a modern pharmaceutical service while maintaining a family type store with an old fashioned respect for full customer service," says Richard Beck, owner of Roaten's Drug Store.

The philosophy is one that has been exemplified at Roaten's for more than 84 years. The original store that later became Roaten's was called Lewis H. Bruhl and Son, and was established in 1892. Lewis

Bruhl and son Albert were together in business just one year before Lewis Bruhl was called on to become United States Consul to Italy in 1893.

Albert remained at home, changing the name to Bruhl's Drug Store. He served the community for 55 years as a combination city doctor and druggist, prescribing a number of popular formulas and cure-alls that present owner Richard Beck still gets calls for: "Lip

Cure," and "Bruhl's Foot Formula," for example.

When Albert Bruhl sold the store in 1946 to three Beeville men, Joe Richards, Dan Conolly and Walter Hastings, he also left behind a number of old pharmaceutical tools and bottles, including pestle and mortar bowl, a suppository press and several huge glass apothecary bottles. These and other items form the core of a display developed by Richard Beck which customers will be seeing soon at Roaten's.

The Roaten name wasn't connected with the old Bruhl store until 1947, when Shelly Roaten came in as manager at the old Busshardt Hotel location, which later burned down.

Present owner Richard Beck became a partner in the business in January of 1972, and sole owner in 1974.

Beck is a 1968 graduate of the University of Texas School of Pharmacy and recently elected member of the Board of Directors of the Texas Pharmaceutical Association. He worked at Parr Drugs in Corpus Christi and managed a prescription department in Portland before coming to Rockport.

Roaten's now offers its customers family prescription profiles for home record keeping, for tax purposes, and to guard against drug interactions. It maintains charge accounts for regular customers, stays open six days a week from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. and offers prescription delivery. Beck himself is on call 24 hours a day for emergency prescriptions.



BRUHL'S TOOLS. Roaten's Drug owner Richard Beck found this collection of old pharmaceutical tools and apothecary bottles recently when rummaging through a collection of items left by former Rockport pharmacist Albert Bruhl, who ran Bruhl's Drug Store from 1892 to 1946. Bruhl was a combination druggist and doctor, and many of the items he used are now

authentic antiques, survivors of the arguably good old days. At left is a mortar bowl and pestle for powdering prescription ingredients. In the back are three large apothecary jars. The screw press and molds in the foreground are for making suppositories. Five old medicine bottles are at right.

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SeaFair 1976: It's A Rockport Family Affair

SeaFairs I and II are community projects before they are anything else, and behind the glamour jobs which get the obvious publicity are a score of people who work just as hard or harder doing the preparatory work, clean up, maintenance, promotion, security, banking, ticket sales, parking and decorations, etc.

Carl Krueger was the advertising chairman this year and coordinated a second successful campaign in newspapers throughout the state, on billboards by Rollins Outdoor, and through unbeatable word of mouth by talking to people in high, low and medium places statewide.

Dave Crooks is the reporter

for the Fair this year as last. He serves as the official historian of the event, and is the only man in captivity besides Bill Christian who has all the names of all the people who worked on the project since the start. And he is doubtless the only person who wrote them down.

Paul Bohot is the photographer. Last year pictures got taken, but they were mostly color slides, with no eye toward mailouts to newspapers for 1976. Variety will be the key word this year, and along with Pilot photographers, Bohot will be on the field to record SeaFair II from beginning to end.

Loyce Landrum coordinated the efforts of the local Chamber of Commerce office on behalf of SeaFair. Office workers and 10-15 volunteers maintained a special SeaFair desk three days a week throughout September to answer any and every question about the event.

The chamber mimeograph machine and various operators printed all 200,000 of the SeaFair food tickets, as well as informational handouts and miscellaneous printing for the organization.

During the two day event, the Chamber will maintain an information booth on the grounds, selling SeaFair caps, handing out brochures, schedules and ground plans, answering any and every question, placing the lost and the found, and more.

The Decorations Chairman this year is George Peirce, who has arranged for some 3,000 feet of streamers, as well as the highway sign and various bits of nautical paraphernalia to be placed around the grounds. The decorations, like the land parade, have a Bicentennial theme.

The banking this year will be done by First National Bank's Eddie Ratliff, who'll be in charge of the getting out and the stashing away of that precious green. Ratliff performed secretarial chores for the SeaFair corporation during

the year, writing checks and keeping balance logs. He will be in charge of the First National Bank's credit card verification service this year at SeaFair. The facility provides participating merchants with verification on Master Charge and BankAmericard purchases by telephone. The booth will be open throughout the festival and will be staffed by regular bank staff.

Bill Janecek was one of the original early recruits in the SeaFair organization, and this year he is a co-chairman in charge of grounds. He coordinated everything from the tent set-up to the assignment of various chairmen to handle the tickets, food, beer, soft drinks, parking, gumbo cookoff, commercial and general exhibits, arts and crafts.

Janecek's assistant is Peggy Bloch, the woman chairman Bill Christian calls the SeaFair "Whip," an executive assistant, chief organizer and rouster outter who kept things moving this year and in 1975.

Along with Dennis Jenkins, the two grounds chairmen secured a total of 23 tents for SeaFair, including 19 15x60 for food, exhibitions, art and crafts. One 30x50 tent was set aside for gumbo eating, another 30x40 for beer, and two 20x20 tents for the bandstand and information.

Carraway Buildings of Portland donated the metal building which will be used for ticket sales.

Ticket sales are being chaired this year by Richard Beck, who has overseen the printing of 200,000 or some \$80,000 worth. As last year, no money should change hands in the food booths. Ticket windows will open one hour before the food booths at 11 a.m. on both Saturday and Sunday, and stay open as long as there is sufficient demand. Beck will have approximately 15 assistants during the two days.

Peggy Bloch and Lois and Dave Ogle also helped with tickets, getting a group of local children together to do the stapling into \$5 books. Kerry, Rick and Laura Ogle, along with Paul Harris, Lee Riehl, Bill Theodore, Matt Harrison and Dean James all helped out.

Dennis Jenkins, who helped with the tents, is also in charge of the beer concession. And, partners, it's gonna be Lone Star time at SeaFair, about 30 kegs worth at 50 cents a shot. Jenkins is trying for 10-ounce cups to hold the brew for you. The tent will be open from 12 noon to approximately 1 a.m. Saturday when the street dance closes, and from 12 to five on Sunday. There will be about 10 workers besides Jenkins, and a 25-foot frontage area under the 34x40 tent.

For teetotalers, Pat and Linda Daly have soft drink favorites Coke and Pepsi. Selling will be done from three self-contained concession trailers with awnings to keep the sun off the customers. Two trailers will dispense Coke, one Pepsi. The drinks will cost 50 cents for 16 ounces. The Dalys expect to have from 25-35 people working in two hour shifts, and will be open from noon until demand dies each of the two days.

Parking at this year's SeaFair was a special headache for organizers because of the bad experiences which arose last year. The solution was a roped-off section on the median area of Highway 35, with parking to be handled by the CB Club. There will be a charge of 50 cents per car, and security, assistants and communications will all be provided by the good buddies. Club President Bruce McMahan has given the job to committee chairman Howard McMenomy, and from 20-25 people will assist.

Half of the proceeds from the parking charge will go to SeaFair Incorporated, half to the CB Club. President McMahan says the club has looked at a variety of good causes and is presently leaning toward donating the money to the Fulton Fire Department for much needed hoses and other equipment.

Dr. J. Martin Shaw is the co-chairman in charge of special events and entertainment. Like Bill Janecek, he was involved from the beginning, and even held a similar position with Rockport's Centennial celebration in 1970. He has overseen the work of various committee chairmen, including chairmen in entertainment, boat parade, land parade, the master of ceremonies, and the crab race, as well as checking in on the sale of SeaFair hats. Each of the lieutenants has a free hand, but Shaw is there to see that things stay in motion.

SeaFair hats were sold this year by Bill and Susan Kester, who handled the distribution of

the several hundred to local business and professional offices as well as the local Chamber. They report a near sellout.

The Master of Ceremonies for SeaFair 1976 will be Joe Hugenberg, who handled the same role last year with aplomb. Some radio station personalities (KIKN last year) may appear, but Hugenberg will handle the brunt of the duties, introducing the demonstrations, announcements, events, and the local and state dignitaries who make up the panorama that is SeaFair II.

Last but not least is Alvin Valenzuela, who will be in charge of general construction at SeaFair. He'll be making benches, signs, working on the bandstand, and doing anything else that needs doing in the area of building and fixing. Generally putting the hammer down, as it were.

The Pilot salutes all the volunteers and wishes them the luck their hard work probably makes redundant.

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NEW CRAFTSMEN. W.C. and Frances Slacum will have a unique craft at the SeaFair festival, wooden duck decoys. The Slacums are from Cambridge, Maryland, where they operated a seafood business until their recent retirement.

A Unique Craft Shop

W.C. and Frances Slacum were retirees from the seafood business in Chesapeake Bay, Maryland who found them-

selves "up to nothing" after they sold the last of their holdings, an Aransas Pass factory, in 1975.

Avid hunters, they noticed on their travels there was no local shop producing duck decoys, despite a large and willing hunting population. To fill that need, to get out of a no-work rut, and to have the opportunity to do something "a little different" in arts and crafts, the Slacums began The Duck Place, which will be located at 1012 Wharf Street when it opens Oct. 12.

The Duck Place will show its unique wares before the official opening at the Oct. 9-10 SeaFair. Included in the display items will be a representative sample of the best work done by Chesapeake Bay decoy craftsmen, and a variety of other craft items, including carvings and painted figures done by Icelandic craftsmen from Siberian driftwood, decorative "trapunto" pillows (quilted with a puffed design-painting), and rope hammocks from South Carolina.

Of greatest interest to hunters, however, are the decoys, done from refurbished or original carvings, by Frances Slacum.

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NO HANDS. Beautiful girls in graceful water aerobics are just part of the thrilling SeaArama Marineworld water ski comedy show. This water ski show, the only one of its kind in the United States, will perform six times during the two days of

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Louisiana has been the capital of seafood gumbo cooking for centuries, but SeaFair is out to bring the title to South Texas with the "Great Gumbo Cookoff," the premier gastronomic event on the Gulf Coast.

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And when all the judging is done, it doesn't cost an arm and a leg to taste the winner—just 50 cents to catapult yourself into nirvana with some of the finest food anywhere. If you've gone in and out of a million restaurants waiting in vain for that magical moment when the

food would rise above the price and the service and the atmosphere, come to the Great Gumbo Cookoff and get satisfaction.

Ed and Sis Harper have signed the best of South Texas to make their appearance and pull magic out of a pot. There are cooks from Houston, San Antonio, Corpus Christi, Austin, Katy, Portland, Kemah, Fulton, Missouri City and Rockport, with more expected by the time the event kicks off at 6:30 p.m. Saturday.

The winners last year were a mother and daughter team from Rockport, Mrs. Peggy Ratliff and daughter Helen.

They had not planned on defending their crown, but when they found out the idea of a desertion would bring the town to a slow boil, they came around.

And so did Heybear Lareaux, the Houston wildman whose ukelele strumming, bagpipe playing, group singing retinue kept both crowd and contestants in stitches throughout the day. He didn't win any awards for his gumbo, but Heybear won the Showmanship Award "spoons" down.

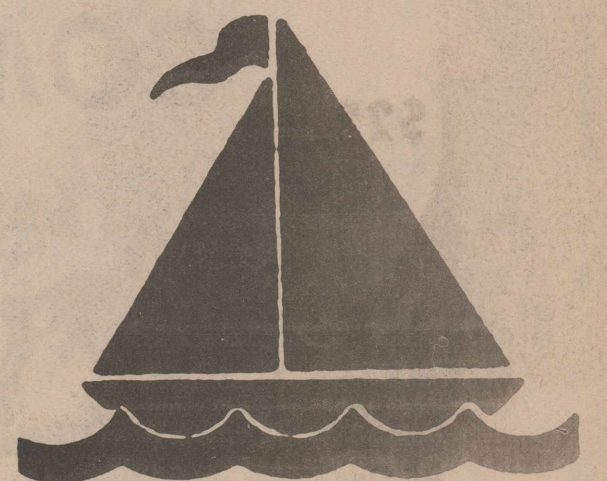
The majority of the entries, however, are local—which puts the heat on Rockport cooks to produce another winner and keep the title at home.

At the head of the list are defending titlists Peggy and Helen Ratliff. Out to take the title but keep things local are Mary Beth Caspary, Ms. Darla Jackson, Bruce Hancock, George Pfeiffer and Ms. Jean Johnson, John Franklin, Darlene Sawyer, the team of Mrs. R.L. Nan Irwin and Mrs. Vernon Townsend, Mrs. D.T. Hugenberg, Mrs. Estelle Stair, Al De Costa, Willie Walker, the team of Mrs. Leonard LeBlanc, Jeannie Rozzell, and Don Oliver, and, last but not least, Joe Lister.

Other local entries include the team of Mrs. Lila Johnson and Mrs. Swen Ladd, and Mrs. Cindy Tilden, all of Fulton.



Rockport SeaFair



The Pilot

Applauds A Grand Adventure In
Eating And Entertainment

Mini-Festival Brings Art To SeaFair

Visitors with an interest in art can take special pleasure in the 25 artist mini-festival being staged this year as part of the annual SeaFair.

The media are as varied as the artists themselves, including oils, pen and ink, slate and metal sculpture, mixed media, acrylic and water color.

For most coastal art watchers, the show will mean an

opportunity to greet familiar faces and take a personal interest in the progress of individuals. The show itself is small, just 20 booths and 25 artists. The theme, though broad, is both familiar and traditional-marine life and coastal scenes of all kinds.

As signed by chairman Estelle Stair, the artists form a representative sample of the

talent and variety that makes the local Fourth of July Festival the coastal bend's top art show.

The majority of the artists come from Rockport, and all are either members of the Rockport Art Association, or former exhibitors at the Fourth of July Festival.

As ambassadors of Rockport's image as a growing art

center, most local artists will doubtless be at their best for SeaFair, where a good showing could spread their name and Rockport's reputation state and nationwide.

The Rockport Art Association, of which booth chairman Estelle Stair is president, was formed less than 10 years ago when the local artist population organized a gallery, now located at 105 South Austin, studio facilities for area painters, seminars for advanced study, and began spreading the idea of Rockport as an art center.

The group began with incorporated status. It is now a foundation, and promoted the yearly festival and other major shows and events.

Rockport had been mentioned as a potential art center in various publications as early as the late forties and early fifties. Recently its reputation has grown very rapidly, thanks to the overwhelming success of the festival, the continuing influx of producing artists, and the rapid addition of galleries and art shops.

Rockport now has at least 14 galleries and arts and crafts shops in the city proper, and several more are located in surrounding towns.

This prolific and growing colony of artists still has too few opportunities to show its work to non-locals in a festival atmosphere, and for that reason the SeaFair is especially valuable as a second major

outlet for area art.

The size of the exhibit has been limited, however, to give added room to craftsmen, who are sometimes excluded by space limitations from the annual Fourth of July Festival.

Mrs. Stair calls the 25 artists "representative of the local colony." "They're regulars," adds, "just gung-ho to make a good show better."

As announced by the Rockport Art Association, the list of artists for SeaFair II includes Armando Hinojosa, Laredo, water color; Esther Lonquish, Rockport, oil; Lisa Rodominski, Garland, pen and ink; Jane Turner, local, oil; Rip Harrison, Rockport, water color; Ed Fickett, Rockport, mixed media; Claudia Nelson, Beeville, mixed media; Rozella Hughes, Waco, acrylic; Honey DaCosta, Rockport, oil; Linda Shaw, Victoria, oil; Steve Fish, Rockport, slate sculpture; Shirley Farley, Rockport, acrylic; Charles Branch, Aransas Pass, metal sculpture; Barbara Aden, Corpus Christi, oil; Mollye Aden, Corpus Christi, pen and ink; Garnet Buster, Corpus Christi, water color; George Calvert, Aransas Pass, mixed media; Carla Hare, Rockport, oil; Connie Haese, San Antonio, oil; Hazel Koepke, Corpus Christi, oil; Beverly Boler, Rockport, mixed media; Jan Admundson, Rockport, water color; Estelle Stair, Rockport, oil; Gertrude Bryant, Rockport, oil; and Steve Russell, Rockport, oil.

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First National's new \$600,000 building on State Highway 35 and Austin Street, is its third since its founding.

Under the leadership of James H. Sorenson, Jr., who is a third generation native of Rockport, the bank has a staff of 26. When Sorenson joined First National in 1945 there were four employees.



SLATE SCULPTOR. Artist Steven Fish has been in the Rockport area only three weeks, but likes it and plans to stay. He will have a booth displaying a unique item for SeaFair, slate sculpture. Fish spends an average of

five hours on each of his pieces, using a variety of chisels and electric drills to make the sculpture after first visualizing a design in keeping with the form and texture of the individual slab.



FANCY FASHIONS. Rockport's Rita Sydow has created a unique line of fashions to show at the Oct. 9-10 SeaFair. Using basic designer shirts and blouses, she adds marine designs with acrylics to make simple fashions works of art. The result is a refreshingly elegant addition to the current decorated

shirt craze. Rita's work will be on display in a booth she shares with husband-silversmith Fred Sydow, water colorist Jan Edmundson, and silversmith Michael McPherson. Mrs. Sydow will also have a collection of some 150 small watercolors for sale at reasonable prices.



WATER COLORIST. Artist Shirley Farley, who runs the local gallery Atelier, will have an extensive showing of her water color paintings at the SeaFair art mini-festival. She has a bright, fluid style with a special flair for birds and wildlife. She will concern

herself, of course, with marine themes of all types for the show, and will have paintings of all sizes and prices for those who want to look or buy. Shirley is one of 25 artists helping to make SeaFair II one of the top festivals on the Gulf Coast.

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