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Dear Calusa Land Trust Member,

This letter is to announce that our annual meeting has been set for 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, January 26, 1991, at the Matlacha Community Park Building. President Rick Moore will give everyone an update on our acquisition of the Big Jim Creek tracts and fill us in on other land that has been offered to the Trust, including a large tract near St. James City. The Board of Directors met recently and voted to go ahead with accepting the landowners' offer of the donation of McCardle Island, located in Matlacha Pass. The only cost to the Calusa Land Trust is payment of back taxes! If all works as planned, the closing should be sometime this week. Watch the paper.

We will also be electing the Board of Directors for 1991. The nominating committee asked all those board members whose term is expiring if they would be willing to serve again and they have agreed. The committee then nominated Gloria Sajgo to fill the vacancy left by Virginia Miller's recent resignation. Gloria is a principal planner with Lee County's long-range planning department and is active in many environmental and historic preservation causes. Other nominations may be made from the floor during the annual meeting. The complete list of nominations to date is as follows:

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| Alison Ackerman | - | 1-year term | Rich Larkin | - | 2-year term |
| Jim Beever | - | 1-year term | Rick Moore | - | 1-year term |
| Ellie Boyd | - | 2-year term | Gloria Sajgo | - | 2-year term |
| Ed Chapin | - | 2-year term | Bobbi Shanks | - | 2-year term |
| Kate Fitzgerald | - | 1-year term | Bill Spikowski | - | 1-year term |
| Dick Holmes | - | 2-year term | | | |

Besides hearing reports from all the committees, we are hoping for feedback and input from the general membership as to where our energies should go for 1991. It is definitely a time for celebration as we look back on 1990, but it is also a time to plan ahead. Please come and share your interests, thoughts and ideas. Bring a friend. Everyone is welcome.

And finally, for anyone who wishes to participate, a pot luck picnic is planned for after the business meeting. We will set up right there inside the building. Bring a dish to share and something to drink and we will continue to brainstorm our way into the afternoon. As always, if you have any questions, call Rick Moore at 283-1206. He will know what is going on.

Hope to see everyone there,

Alison Ackerman
Newsletter Editor

P.S. Following the annual meeting, another newsletter will be written with ALL the latest news, as well as thanks for so many of you who have volunteered your time and energy. Look for it in February.