President Shot

I.I.S. President, Robert Ehrig, was shot by an assailant with a 38 calibre handgun on October 16, 1991, while he was supervising a crew which was removing invasive, exotic vegetation from land owned by the South Florida Water Management District and managed by the Nature Conservancy. The suspect fled the scene and was later apprehended in Key West. He was charged with attempted murder and with discharging a weapon from a vehicle. According to the sheriff's report, the suspect drove up in a pickup truck to where Bob and others were working at about 9:00 A.M. He pulled a handgun and fired it four times, striking Bob once. Bob underwent surgery at Fishermen's Hospital in Marathon to repair a fractured collar bone, and is now recovering nicely. No one else was injured in the incident. Bob knows his assailant, having reported him to authorities previously for placing fill in a wetland area owned by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.



Cuban Rock Iguana, Cyclura nubila (male). Sally Russ Photography photo.

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