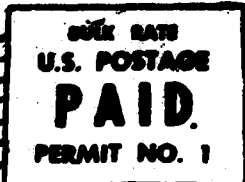
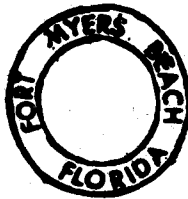


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THE VERY END

Capt. Ladd's "Santiva" made its last run as a mailboat on Monday, Dec. 9. Sixteen persons, including Doc and Evelyn Bryant, boarded it in Fort Myers for the round trip. The "Sunspot" owned by the C.V. Pattersons of Captiva with guest Elise Fuller, the "Josie O II" carrying Philip Reddy and daughter Jo and Helen and Jim Denny and the "Ballymea" with the Gaults, the McQuades, the Naves, Clarence Rutland and possibly a few others, met the Santiva at Bailey's Dock to escort it up to Captiva.

Off Captiva, the boat procession grew -- the Joseph Barkers, Charles and Lillian Paschall, George and Betty Becker and their guests, Dr. & Mrs. (Pop and Nanny) Hindman, Marty and Russ Mook, Jane and Griffing Bankcroft and Mr & Mrs. Leon Levy in the "Skimmer" (which the Islander staff helped to name) who had as their guests Mr. & Mrs. Lloyd Huntington of Norris, Tenn.

Mrs. Patricia Waters of Captiva boarded the Santiva at Timmy's for the ride back to Bailey's. As 19 people joined the boat on the trip up, it was a rather crowded affair.

The crowd at Captiva grew to over 50 people and when Captiva Postmistress Dodie Booth brought the last mailbag, she lugged along

a mailbag of flowers which she scattered (with Pim Mills's help) over the mailboat and into the water.

Lumps seemed to be a permanent fixture in everyone's throat as the good ship Santiva pulled away from Timmy's dock and as all present sang "Old Lang Syne" and "For He's a Jolly Good Fellow" accompanied by what seemed to be everyone's car horn and the Captiva siren.

Capt. Ladd said that he had had several offers for the Santiva -- he may run it between Fort Myers and Cape Coral and Captiva, or from Captiva to La Costa Island, or he may just plain relax.

All we know is that progress -- or whatever one wants to call it -- seems to be upon us in full force. The last mailboat in the United States is no more. It's the very end of an era for our Islands.

SHELL BOX FOR '64 FAIR

The Shell Box, to be given away during the 27th Annual Shell Fair in March, is now being prepared jointly by the shell shop owners of Sanibel and Captiva. The precious shells will be put in a seagrape wood coffee table donated by Mary Cunningham.

Any Islander who would like to give a shell -- or shells -- for this table is urged to do so. Place shells in a bag or box plainly marked with your name and address and leave them with William Newman at the Sanibel Community House any afternoon. If more than enough shells are received to complete the coffee table, a smaller box will be prepared and offered as a bonus or second prize.

Tickets (donation \$1) are now available for this table at most places of business on both islands. The drawing will be held the last day of the Fair. You do not have to be present to win and delivery is guaranteed to the holder of the winning ticket anywhere in the United States.

Early Deadline!

The ISLANDER will be distributed Tuesday, Dec. 24, during Christmas week. This means a stepped-up deadline. All regular news and special Christmas ads should be turned into the ISLANDER office or to Peggy Maloney by noon on Saturday, Dec. 14. Absolute final final deadline for news stories will be Thursday, December 19. Thank you for your cooperation.

Bake Shop to Open

The Island Bake Shop will be opening soon where the Vince McVetty Laundry once operated. The property has been purchased and the shop will be operated by Dick & Vivian Kearns, Jack VanDell and Doris Ploesser. Islanders may remember the original Island Bake Shop on Captiva operated by VanDell -- the new shop plans to offer you goodies just as delightful and delectable.

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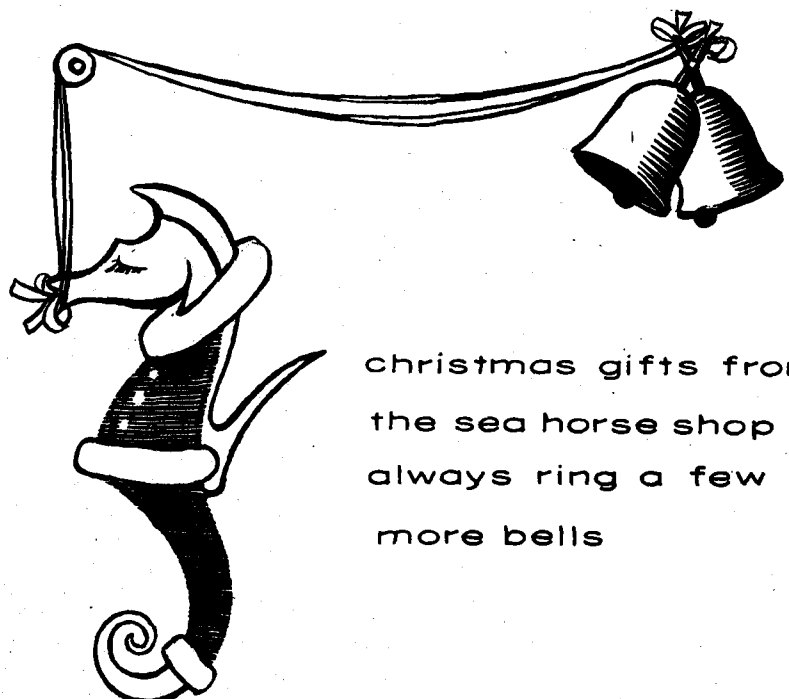
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AUDUBON SOCIETY MEETS
TONIGHT AT 8:30

The arrival of the winter season has ushered in a new activity season for the Sanibel-Captiva Audubon Society, according to Charles R. LeBuff, Jr. With the return of members and presence of conservation enthusiasts, projects and activities are underway. December is one of the more important months as far as Audubonites are concerned, for it is the time for the usual special Christmas programs and the annual Audubon Christmas Bird Count.

The regular Audubon meeting will be held tonight, Thursday, at 8:30, in the Sanibel Community House, and all interested persons are invited to attend. Two fine wildlife films will be shown: "The Whooping Crane," the story of man's efforts to save that remarkable bird, and "Behind the Flyways," the saga of the biological work being conducted by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in waterfowl management. These fine films will be supplemented by discussions on wildlife observations, a report on the alligator research program being conducted by the local group, and possibly on the spot tagging of an alligator to display to the membership the techniques and methods involved. Various committees will be appointed and the entire membership is urged to attend. They are urged to bring with them all interested Island visitors.

The dates for the Christmas Bird Count will be announced at this meeting.

ONE OF THE LAST

Mrs. Alexander Flick of Rensselaerville, New York, and Captiva, who is staying with the Floreases at Mid-Isle Cottages, took her first mail boat ride last Friday with Mrs. Flores. They boarded the boat at Bailey's dock, and Mrs. Flick, who will be 90 on Christmas Eve, had to sit down on the edge of the dock and slide into the boat, which a lot of us have to do at low tide. Undaunted, she then insisted on riding on top, as "I might as well have stayed home as to sit inside!" We met them as they were lunching at Timmie's Nook, and were glad to find out they were enjoying themselves. The mailboat is gone with the ferries, so we're glad she got her ride with Captain Ladd.

OUR STORES UNIQUE

Mr. & Mrs. Hubert Gaddy of Myrtle Beach, S. C. are guests of the Jack Prices, and told us last week that they'd shopped Miami from one end to the other for those "something different" Christmas gifts but were unable to find what they wanted 'til they found the unique shops on our Islands. They were astounded, they said, at the selection available and plan to do all their Christmas shopping right here. (Smart people!)

APPLIANCES NEEDED

The Island negro community is now wired for electricity and we're all pleased with this added convenience. We're sure that many residents have electrical appliances which are seldom, if ever, used. If you would like to pass these on to someone who needs them, please get in touch with Edmund Gavin.



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14	SAT	12:32P	11:12P	5:47A	5:42P
15	SUN	1:06P	11:43P	6:20A	6:13P
16	MON	1:38P	---	6:50A	6:42P
17	TUE	12:12A	2:12P	7:22A	7:12P
18	WED	12:43A	2:47P	7:57A	7:44P
19	THURS	1:17A	3:25P	8:32A	8:21P
20	FRI	1:56A	4:07P	9:13A	9:09P

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16th



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PERSONALS

MR. & MRS. JOHN COVEY of Selma, Alabama, are spending their tenth island vacation at Hiers by the Sea but haven't decided yet how long they will stay this time.

If you haven't heard already, THE BAILEYS -- PAULINE and FRANCIS-- are expecting! We just didn't want anyone to miss the good news!

MR. & MRS. LLOYD HUNTINGTON of Morris, Tenn., are staying at Welk Cottage, Shell Basket, and are finding the shelling excellent. Mr. Huntington reported that he found a beautiful Junonia right in front of their cottage last week--and from what we hear, the shelling along that bit of beach is mighty good these days.

MR. & MRS. OTTO SNYDER of Centerville, Cape Cod, Mass., are back on Captiva for their sixth season. They're staying in PAUL EVERETT'S Bay Cottage this trip.

MR. & MRS. F. O. PARSONS and MR. & MRS. N. B. ROSS, all of South Charleston, W. Va., are enjoying a week of fishing and shelling at Betty's Hawaiian Village. Both couples have been coming to Betty's for years, and always try to get there at the same time so that they can enjoy each other's company. They don't waste a minute of their stay--each day they go on a fishing trip or a shelling trip--and some days, both! But they are like a lot of people we know who need a week off at home to recover from their vacation.

We're glad to be able to report that LEAH & DON MULOCK are back at Castaways with the Webbs and when we talked to them over the weekend, they said that they are also very happy to be back on our lovely Islands.

DR. & MRS. HOLLIS INGRAM of Albany, New York, will arrive on the Islands next Monday, staying at the Blue Dolphin. Dr. Ingraham is an ardent bird-watcher and conservationist.

DR. GRANVILLE LARRIMORE, whose home on Gulf Drive is in the process of being built, has had his book, "Medical Text on Preventative Medicine," Accepted for a Portuguese translation by a Brazilian Publishing Company. This is Dr. Larrimore's third foreign language edition, (depending, of course, on where you live) as the work has already been published in Spanish and English.

MR. & MRS. DICK JOHNSON have arrived at their Captiva home for the season and brought their boat with them. Dick's friends, who told us that the Johnsons were back, said "We do hope Dick can manage to miss a few more sand bars this season than he has in former years."

The JAMES O. EVANS family, originally from Florida's East Coast, will soon be moving into their new home, built by Bob Stevens on the Gulf at the foot of Rabbit Road.

CHARLOTTE HARRIS returned to the Islands after a 3-week vacation with her parents in Fort Wayne, Ind. She said she enjoyed romping in the snow (Ed. note: Brrr!) but she added, "I was delighted to leave the snow behind and return to dear old sunny Sanibel." Charlotte is now with Edie Mugridge in "Glory of The Sea."

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LIBRARY NOTES

The Sanibel Public Library will be open from 10 a.m. til noon each Tuesday as well as from 1 p.m. to 4 on Saturdays. You're invited to stop by and browse---The library shelves hold reference works on birds, shells and other subjects as well as fiction.

WHEE & WHOOPEE!

Shelly Dee Amon, originally marked "Do Not Open Until Christmas," decided to cross up Santa Claus and her family and arrive on December 5th. She's the brand new baby daughter of Don and Gert Amon and she's making her mama and daddy and brother and sister all very happy with her presence.

PERSONAL

Dan Bazire, who had been a guest at Reisinger's Cottages for several months, has moved into Fort Myers with his daughter, Mrs. R. J. Mathews and her four children. The many friends he made while here can write to him at 1413 San Juan Ave.

Roy Caldwell at Island Inn recently lost a brown tobacco pouch with zipper. He'd like it back for sentimental reasons and will reward the finder.

NEW DEAL AT LEGION HOME

According to Legion Commander HAP PAYNE, the Sanibel-Captiva American Legion Post #123 has received their club license. A new small bar is planned in the near future to serve all types of beverages to Legionnaires and their guests.

On December 20, a covered dish supper is planned for Legionnaires, the Auxiliary and their guests.

HOW 'BOUT THAT?

BERNARD LEVIN, manufacturer of Casuals Unlimited of New York's Seventh Avenue, saw ETHEL SNYDER'S "clothes line" ad in the Islander and wrote her asking if they might have the idea adapted for their 1963 Christmas cards.

Ethyl, happy to oblige, passed the word to us -- and the "Leon Levin, Casuals Unlimited" will be sending the Islander-designed clothesline, hung with Mr. Levin's choice of sports clothes (and including Ethyl's cocker spaniel) for Christmas greetings!

TO THE ISLANDER:

I send warm Christmas greetings with my renewal check. I would like, also, to send a message to the Islanders.

Having been associated with small weekly newspapers, both from the editorial and advertising angles, I have been tremendously interested in the birth and growth of the Islander.

I recognized the format as unusual, not a run-of-the-mill small town weekly. Its charming individuality makes even the advertising "reading copy."

Knowing that advertising is the life blood of a paper, especially an "almost free" one, I wondered if the paper could survive with so few businesses on the Islands. (How else can printing, mailing, and office costs be met?) Now I must compliment the business people of Sanibel and Captiva. Most of them have recognized the value of a community paper and are supporting it. Some, of course, can see a dollar for dollar return for what they are spending, others no doubt know the value is there although they cannot "put a finger on it." And some, without question, are supporting their newspaper as a community project.

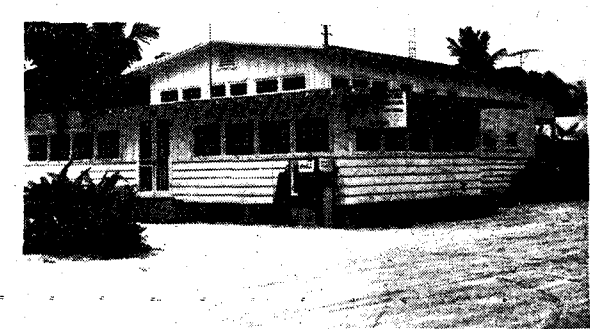
My visits to Sanibel have, of necessity, been short and few, but someday it will be my home. I'm already proud of my community, and my "home town paper." I admire it for "hanging in there" on what must be a very narrow margin of profit.

Marty Sorensen

PERSONALS

Bette Parke, of the B-Hive, tore the ligaments in her ankle and will be on crutches for a while. She dropped a carton of Pepsi on it. Her parents, who are spending the winter season on Pine Island, are helping her recuperate.

Mrs. Margaret Redinger has been called to Puerto Rico again because of the falling health of her mother, Mrs. Rafael Oller.



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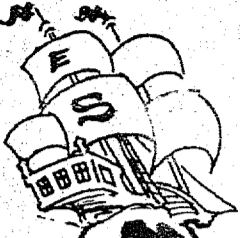
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PERSONAL

KATHLEEN DAVIS, a long time Sanibel resident at Casa Ybel, is coming back to the Islands to live. She had been in Smyrna, Georgia for quite a few months and finally decided that she just couldn't live any place but Sanibel. She will be staying with her good friend, INA WATSON. We know KATHLEEN will find much happiness here on Sanibel and we will all be happy to have her back with us.

MR. & MRS. FRANK ALBRIGHT of South Bend, Ind., spent some time at Beachview Cottages on Sanibel after visiting Miami and the East Coast. Both Frank and Hazel complained bitterly about all the vacation time they wasted before coming to our Islands and decided to travel directly here next year. We're all looking forward to their return, and we think the South Bend Chamber of Commerce should send the Albrights down here as Good Will Ambassadors as they make friends wherever they go!

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TEEN CORNER

by chris gault

The teenagers of the Island are now existing between two holidays--Thanksgiving and Christmas. With the Spirit of both moulded into the youth, quite a lot of activity has prevailed.

The bridge has had quite a bit of business from the younger set, for the school and town have sponsored many events which hold special interest to us.

Dennis Stonecypher has regularly attended the basketball practice, usually held after school on weekdays. The season opened with an inter mural game between the Greens & Whites--the Split Varsity Squad--last week. In the game, Dennis played for the Greens, which is the first string, and they won 78-68.

Chuck Nave and Raymond Rhodes also traveled from Ft.

Myers every afternoon as a result of basketball practice. Their team, the Junior Varsity from Cypress Lake Junior High, played its second game at Charlotte Junior High Monday. Chuck was picked Captain of the first game, played with Ft. Myers Junior High.

Many other kids are using the bridge for other forms of entertainment---for example, yours truly drove Pat Broadbent, Vikl Way and Judi McQuade to town last Friday to see the two silent movies, starring Rudolph Valentino and Charlie Chaplin, which were sponsored by the Junior Class. Dates are not set for future showings yet, but there will be more.

Yours truly has recently started ballet for the very young set (aged 5-7). The students at the Tuesday night classes are Alice, Mary Ann & Deana Aleck and Ann Kontinus. The little group has been learning the five basic positions as well

as various exercises. If anyone is interested in having their child take these lessons, please call your reporter.

There are many rumors flying about the large number of teenagers expected to invade the Islands this Christmas. We all expect many of the regular annual visitors, plus quite a few newcomers, to arrive. Adding to the throng will be the returning Island college students, Cathy Booth, Gerald Johnson, Mary Jo Gault, Linda Jack, Jerry Funk, John Billheimer and Chad Way.

Because of the coming population surge, many parties are in the making. Besides the Christmas Dance at school which will be attended by some of the Islanders, native and visiting teenagers will probably be giving scads of parties.

The permanent Island population has two new members---13 year old Sharon Cyzenski of Clare, Michigan, who is the

daughter of Casa Ybel's Chef, and Carol Manning, 18, from Anchorage, Alaska, the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. William Barbour, who are also staff members at Casa Ybel.

THANK YOU

The Ladies Guild of the Sanibel Community Church wishes to thank its many friends and members who participated and donated so generously to make the annual bazaar an outstanding success. Best Wishes for a Happy Holiday Season.

BIRTHDAY BOY

Andy Rosse of Andy's Pier celebrated his birthday last Friday and shyly admitted to being 39. We wish Jack Benny had never started that 39 year jazz, as everyone reaches that age and never gets any older.

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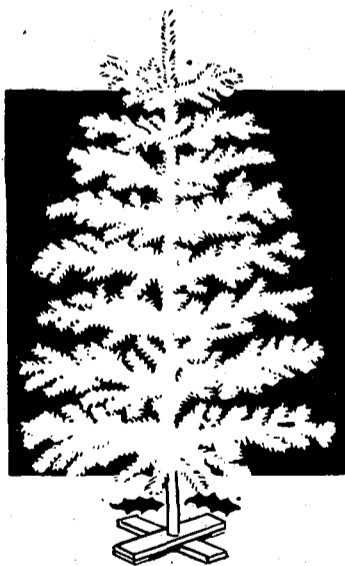
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