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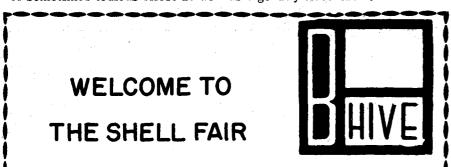
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The 27th annual Sanibel Shell Fair, today through Saturday, staged by Sanibel and Captiva residents and visitors, is the BIG event of the season.

The Sanibel Community will be filled with treasures from our Islands as well as rare and beautiful specimens from far-away places. There will be a magnificent array of collections and artistic creations featuring shells.

You will marvel at the children's ability to collect and identify, the novice who has been blessed with beginner's luck, and the best of the fine specimens amassed by old timers. There will be shells so minute that they may be seen properly only with a magnifying glass, fossils and geodes millions of years old, shells breathtaking in color and form, and the freaks that sometimes occur. There will be sea life other than shells to tell us a little more about the life that goes on in the waters around us. Tables will be filled with rare and lovely specimens. Trays with small beauties and unusual arrangements. Pictures assembled of shells to please the eye will be displayed, as well as jewelry, gift items, flowers that represent many hours of sometimes tedious effort as well as ingenuity to contrive.



We'd like to invite you to stop by and see us during your stay on the islands.

A complete line of groceries, frozen foods, meats, dairy products, film, drugs, sundries, beer, champagne, wines, ice, etc. are available to you at our little super market.

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Our location is just 4 tenths of a mile west of the shell fair - open daily 9 to 6 - Sundays 10 to 4:30.

P.S. Our County Line Cheese has arrived!



Visiting the Hall of Fame, you will view the fine display of past blue ribbon winners framed in a setting by Sanibel artist, Bob Klotz. Occupying one corner will be the 'Driftwood Shop' where you

may purchase mementoes both beautiful and practical, made by gifted people here on our Islands.

While you're at the fair don't miss the many interesting things occuring on the grounds. You will see fascinating bits of sea life in the tanks at the live exhibit. Sea horses, live angel wings, a her-mit crab traveling about with his adopted "house," scallops, tellins, an octopus, perhaps a live lady's ear, live whelks, cones, olives, fish and turtles, possible a sea cucumber, and sea anemones, just to mention a few.

At the art exhibit, members of the Sanibel-Captiva art league will be assisting chairman Leon Levy in seeing that you enjoy the work done by our Islands' artists.

You will find a snack bar where food and drink may be had, and tables and chairs will be provided so that you may enjoy your refreshment.

Island shops will have booths in the tents on the grounds and there you may purchase the same wares you will find in their shops and won't have to leave the grounds to do so.

There is no admission charge for the fair but any donation you care to make will be gratefully received.

You will find plenty of parking space and Marshall Tabacchi will find a spot for you to leave your car while you're here. The Community Association recently purchased adjoining ground, and Gerald Martin, president of the Community Association, has been busily clearing it in preparation for the fair.

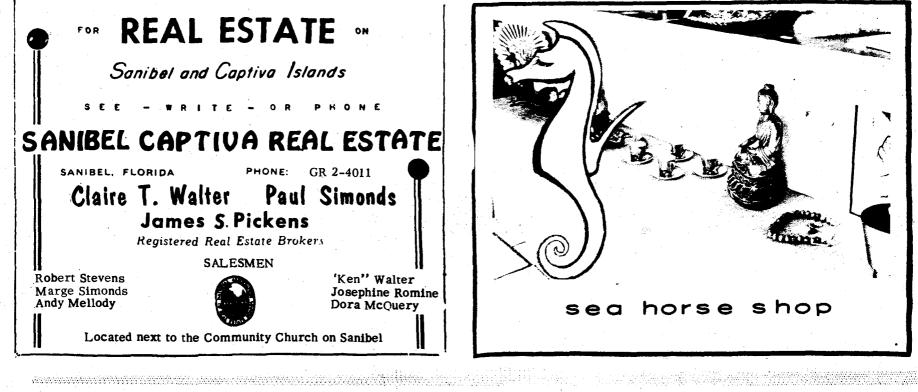
Sheriff Ralph Smith will have additional help in handling Island traffic, but please drive carefully anyway. Sanibel is a bird sanc-tuary and wildlife refuge, and you may see a little racoon or wee brown bunny peeking at you from the growth alongside the roads or a turtle slowly making his way across your path.

SHELL FAIR HISTORY

by ethel snyder

In the early days of the Sanibel Shell Fair everyone contributed shell collections and work. The Community House had to be readied. the grounds tidied up. At first there were no outside booths, then later, only two. There was a fascinating and exotic one by Ted Dranga, a world traveler and fabulous professional South Seas deep sea

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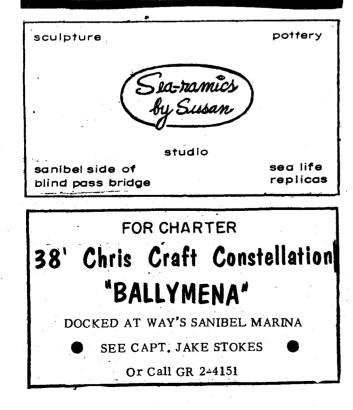
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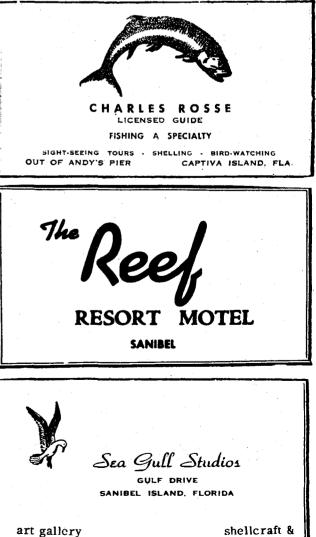
DATES TO REMEMBER

Shell exhibits must be in Hall on Thursday, March 5, between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. If exhibit needs adjusting, plan to be through by noon. Hall will be cleared at 3 p.m. for judging.

Monday, March 9: Captiva Civic Hall - - Dr. William J. Clench, guest speaker.

Monday, March 9: Deadline for voters to register in the convenience of Sanibel Community Hall. 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Thursday, March 12: Audubon -- 'Shandon Hills,'' screen tour by John Taft.



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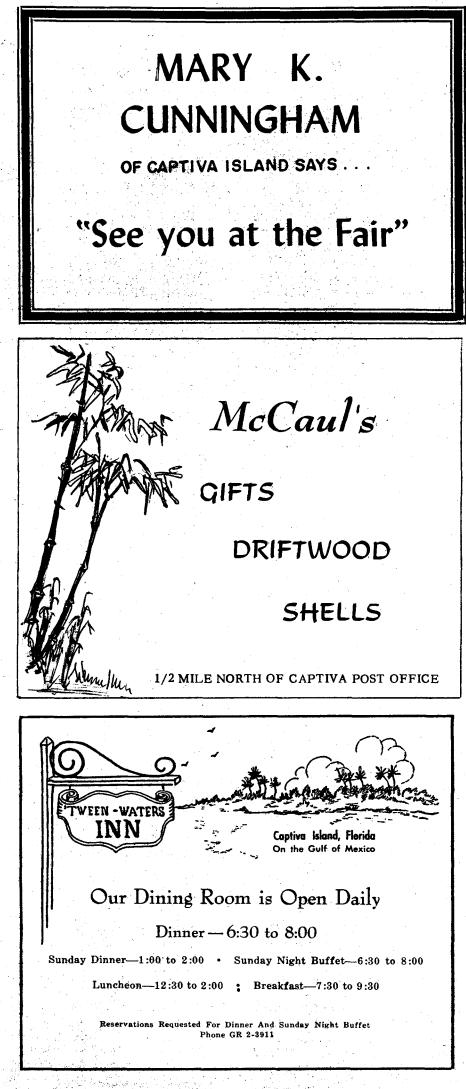
HOW WE GET THERE

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Each box-holder gets one copy. We also personally deliver between eight and nine hundred papers to the various motels (giving them enough so that each filled unit may have at least one,) and business establishments on the Islands, as well as the Chamber of Commerce. So, you see, we do get around ---and so does your advertising dollar!

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SHELL FAIR HISTORY from p. 1

diver. Ted had a shell collection the equal of any museum collection, and many fascinating articles from world tropics. There was also a palm thatched hut built by a big blond, Mr. Bruaw.

Dr. Louise M. Perry was one of the first to dredge for choice shells. She wrote a scientific book entitled "Marine Shells of the Southwest Coast of Florida" which was an authoratative volume. She had many live shells and interesting sea animals alive for inspection and observation in tanks of Gulf water.

Lillias Cockerill was also an authority and an avid collector. Originally from London, England, she and Captain Cockerill had made their home in Canada, and migrated in early years to Sanibel for the winter. They bought property off the main road where her daughter, Enid, now resides and carries on the shelltradition. Lillias' collection was one of the most admired at the Shell Fair, and she was very cordial to visitors who came to her home to see her shells. Before long she had an outside booth where she sold rare and beautiful shells from all over the world.

Scotia Bryant and her mother, Rosa, always had a gorgeous display of double lemon yellow pectins, Junonias of all sizes, and double lion's paws in their collection. In fact everyone knew everyone else's collection and "oh'ed" and "ah'ed" each year as if they had never seen it before. That is the way with sea shells---they have a never-ending beauty. It was a Fair custom to serve home-made soup. This seemed odd

It was a Fair custom to serve home-made soup. This seemed odd to me, but when I was served abowl of this soup I understood. Delicious! Grace Borries of Sanibel and Kentucky had charge of the making. A great kettle of it was made in a huge copper cauldron in the kitchen at Island Inn. It took several husky mento get it by truck to the Community House kitchen piping hot. The Inn, hotels, and individuals donated other cooked and prepared foods. One year Casa Ybel Hotel sent over a large roast turkey bursting with stuf ing, and enough gravy to sail a boat. Island Inn donated a dozen roast chickens browned to a T. Someone donated a whole baked ham, another a roast of beef. It was also a custom that Stella Mitchell who lived this side of Captiva bridge, (she lives there now.) did all the carving. She had a flock of very sharp knives, big and small. So, engulfed in a big snowy apron, Stella carved and carved. What piled-up platters of delicious meats! She never got tired, and she never quit. It was no wonder folks flocked to our Shell Fairs, and what cakes! All home made, with mounds of icing; there were big cakes, little cakes, and cookies.

There were just two ferries, and Capt. Leon was in charge of both. They started early and went back and forth as fast as they could. As many foot passengers were taken also as there were life preservers to accomodate. Several Islanders met each ferry with a car, and picked up the foot passengers. There was no charge for the service. It was like bringing invited guests to a party. All went well, but maybe just once I recall an incident.

The weather for this Fair was warm and sunny, the Community House was beautifully decorated, the collections outstanding, and all arranged perfectly. The food as usual was delicious and abundant. We were all ready, but so few came, and we could not understand as the hours went by. We were quite downcast, then got word that one ferry had broken down, just would not or could not run, and many had had to turn back at Punta Rassa. There had been a long line of cars and foot passengers. Loyal little "Best" couldn't handle them all. It was a sad story, but we were relieved to know why so few came. Next day both ferries were running and made up for it.

In those days the precedent was set for distinguished guests to come and enjoy. Henry Ford and his wife came with their next door neighbors from Fort Myers, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Edison. They lived on McGregor Boulevard. The Fair has entertained generals, admirals, senators, and governors. Prominent writers, deans of universities, business men, and scientists have all enjoyed our Fair. There is something so friendly, so exhilarating, and old-timey about these occasions that everyone has entered into the spirit of good camaraderie and fun. We beachcombers have hob-nobbed with millionaires and a good time was had by all.

One year Clarence Rutland fried quantities of hush puppies and filets of fish dipped in flour and fried, and admiring crowds lined up around Clarence with their plates. Jake Stokes for years has filled the outdoor aquariums with live sea horses and many live specimens, and these amazing tanks always have a large and interested audience. Jake has contributed much to the Fairs, and continues to.

So the Sanibel Shell Fair is a unique occasion in which both Sanibel and Captiva Island folks join in sharing their shell collections with others. And where else in the world is there a comparable tropical beach, where the variety of shells pile in like they do on our Islands?



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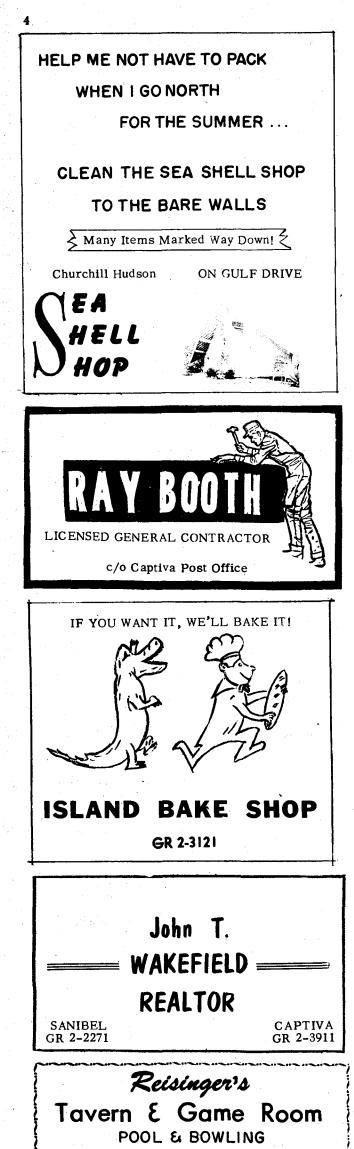
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WHO'S WHO AND WHY

PAUL MAST of Kokomo, In-diana was given a 39th birthday party on Sunday, February 23, by VELNA and JOHNNY RIDGE and all the gang at the Sanibel Trailer Resort. The cake, decorated by Jack of the Island Bake Shop, carried seven chocolate-covered TV sets with rabbit ears set in red icing to match the greeting, in honor of Paul's occupation as a TV service engineer. There were 34 guests and TOM MAST, who turned out to be their sixteen year old travelin' cat. The Masts have never gone anywhere without Mr. Tom. This is their fifth visit to Sanibel and they are planning to become permanent residents.

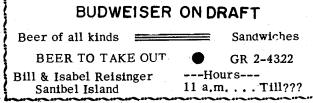
Sanibel had a full house dur-ing the period of the Edison pageant with strange results. When a couple of repeaters from Pennsylvania turned up and went shelling first instead of room hunting, their usual habitat was full up. CHARLES ALDEN took pity on a very tired lady and let the couple borrow that cute little trailer the Aldens have for sale. MIKE McQUADE accomodated three ladies on board the charter boat, "Ballymena" for a sta-tionary cruise. Any port in a storm. Come the Shell Fair, do as the Torontonians do during the Canadian National Exhibition. Let the authorities know if you have a spare room. When the liscenced houses are filled up, it is embarassing to have to say that we can't find a place for a visitor.

LAWRENCE and AGNES KEPNER of Quakertown, Pennsylvania were guests for the tjord season at La Hacienda and had the pleasure of finding their first Junonia during the low tide of Friday the twenty-eighth.

CATHY LUCAS, KATH-LEEN DAVIES, and ENIDDON-AHUE took a fast run over to Fort Myers Beach to the FES-TIVAL Shell Show before it closed. Some of the displays were beautiful and they are to be congratulated on this almost brand new endeavor. With less than an hour, justice could not be done to all the exhibits, but no one could miss the superb collection of Mrs. HELEN RAINES, a colorful arrange-ment of lion's paws from the very rare blond specimens to deep rich orange and red knobbies. Two exceedingly fine mosaic pictures done entirely with rice shells once more reminded us that this is a field of art all by itself, comparable only to marble mosaics. We noticed the absence of names, common or scientific, in all exhibits except that of Dr. E.P. WIGHTMAN, who had meticulously named his shells with author, and exhibited specimens rarely seen in displays of this kind. We drooled over some of them.



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Those concerned over Miss BONNIE LUCAS will be glad to know that the Scotty is home from the vet. Bonnie, like the famous Domini of Dr. LOUISE PERRY, is proving again that Scotch terriers know a good shell from a poor one. Bonnie's latest find was a Scotch bonnet, after which CATHY LUCAS has named her new house the Scotch Bonnet.



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WHO'S WHOON CAPTIVA

Mr. and Mrs. J.P. PELE-GRIN of Oasis Plantation, Stovall, Mississippi, are having such a wonderful time as guests of Mr. and Mrs. NOEL D'OY-LEY that they have extended their stay with the D'Oylevs rather than continuing south as previously planned.

Mrs. ESSIE BUNTING, who has enjoyed five wonderful weeks at 'Tween Waters, returned to her home in Toronto, Canada. Miss JANE GRA-HAME, also of Toronto, Canada has booked in to take her place.

CATHY BOOTH, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. RAY BOOTH, is employed at a hospital in Syosset, Long Island, and became quite concerned last week when all her fellow workers began eyeing her in a very strange way. Finally Cathy found voice to ask:

'What's wrong with me? my lipstick on wrong or Is my eyebrows too dark?"

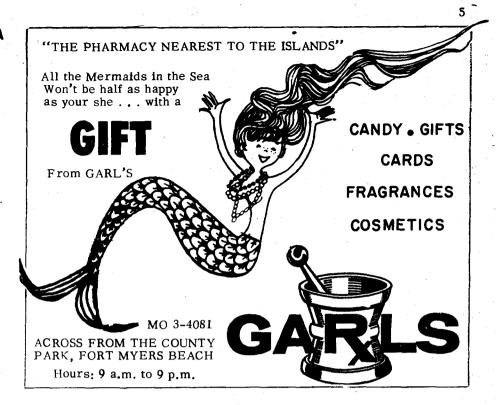
She received no reply until the head doctor, catching sight of her, told her to put on her coat and go home. The reason for so curt a dismissal? Her face betrayed a beautiful case of measels.

A lucky thirteen Captivaites joined their neighbors on Sanibel last Saturday evening when a bus was chartered for a trip into Fort Myers for the concert. The return trip was shortened when all joined in without sing along a lusty Mitch.

Hear, ye! Hear, ye! On March 21, a Saturday night, there will be a Silver Tarpon Dance, sponsored by the Captiva Communtiy Association at the Captiva Community Center featuring Tommy Mason and his band. The price is \$3.00 a couple. Everyone is welcome, so put on your dancing shoes and join in the fun.

Another date to mark on your calendar is March 15 when the Fort Myers Band, which is part of the Fort Myers Symphony, will give a concert in Captiva Community Center at 2:30 P.M. There will be no admission charge.

Mrs. LYNN BEALE had the misfortune last week to stumble over a foot stool and fall against the corner of a cupboard. The mishap ended with three cracked ribs and bruises from head to toe. This would have laid most of us up, but not Elizabeth. When Thurs av



Mrs. INA WATSON has a new light in her eyes this week as she is enjoying a visit from ALFONS CLAES, her youngest brother from Heunenhof Mayen, Eifel, Germany. Ina has not seen her brother since 1922 with the exception of a two hour visit in 1956 when she was in Germany. Alfons has so fallen in love with Captiva that he is already flirting with the idea of returning next year.

Accompanying Mr. Claes is their neice, Mrs. LIESELOTTE (LILO) THUNER of Colgne, Germany. This is their first

The reunion was made perfect when they were joined by Mrs. MARIE CLAES, another sister whose home is in Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. WILLIAM G. BRIGGS of Taunton, Massachusetts, no strangers to Palm Avenue, are guests at Adams Eden for two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. ROBERT R. GREEN have returned to Mid-Island Cottages for their two

week vacation. Weather has been a bit chilly, but they confess that it is most mild as compared with that of their home town, Trenton, New Jersey.

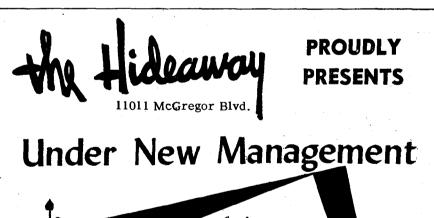
Mrs. CLEMENT DIPPLE of Chicago is visiting Captiva for the first time. She likes it so much that an S.O.S. went out to her husband to join her here for a few days.

Mrs. LEEDS MITCHELL, from Nantucket, Massachusetts from OMMITT FROM PARA.

Mrs. LEEDS MITCHELL of Nantucket, Massachusetts has arrived for a six week visit. She discovered this beautiful spot a year ago while coming over for no other reason than that of saying "Hello" to Mrs. KAY WOOD of 'Tween Waters. The Islands bewitched her as they have so many people.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SERVICES

The Sanibel-Captiva Christian Science group will hold church services during March at the Captiva Community Center each Sunday at 11:00 a.m.

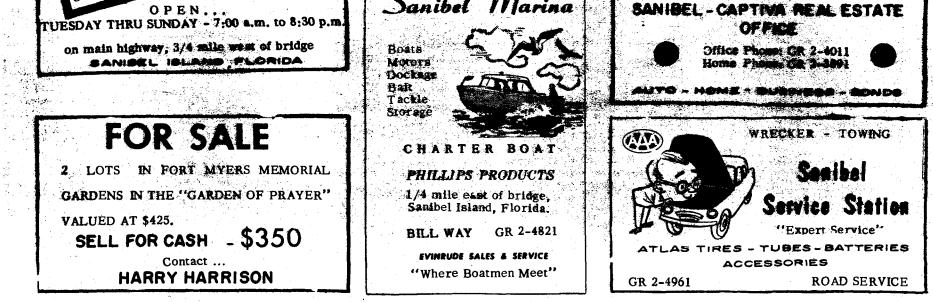


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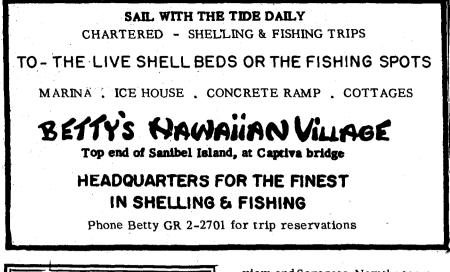




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Once again the Islands' teenagers are preparing for the onrush of prep school and college kids who annually make their way here during spring vacation. This year as usual the kids are planning parties and expecting to participate in some spur-of-the-moment gatherings as well.

In the meantime, our island giant, Dennis Stonecypher, who has been described as the "most improved player," has again merited attention because of his sports ability. Dennis scored top points at the Riverview vs. Greenie game which was the first of a series of tournaments that our basketball team participated in. (If we win one game, we continue to another school until we finally loose. So far, we've won two: Riverview and Sarasota. Now the team is preparing for a third goround.) In the first game of the tournament, Dennis made nineteen points--the apex of his basketball career thus far.

Three more of our island youths made news this week. Betty Clements, David West, and Tim Gault have all placed in the Edison science fair. Bet-ty received "excellent" in zo-ology classification for 7th-9th grade. David was given "honor-able mention" for his conversion of energy exhibition in physics, 10th - 12th grade. Tim, who has been interested in rocks for some time, received "superior" for his rock display, which was in the 7th - 9th grade archeaology section. Tim's exhibition will be taken to the Manatee county science fair, where it will again be in competition, Congratulations to all, and keep up the good work.

Every week from this week on there will be a word listed in this column which should be used at every chance by the natives and visiting teenagers during that week. The reason for this addition to the news-



paper is to promote a larger vocabulary among our future adults. This week's word--zit-meaning someone who is way out of it. (Editor's note: Excerebration,

no doubt!)

TIDE TABLE

Those who like to have a tide table for fishing and shelling may get one at the Sanibel Captiva Real Estate office. Tables for March are now available.

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