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## SANIBEL SCHOOL GRADUATES FIVE

Last day exercises at the Sanibel Elementary School were held June 2 with parents of the students in attendance.

Commander Hap Payne, of Post # 123, presented the American Legion awards. Denise Stevens won First Award and Mire Dormer and Karen Booth received Honorable Mention. Karen also received the School Citizen award. This and perfect attendance awards were presented by Miss Carol Lee, school principal.

Mrs. Ken Carper presented a token of appreciation to Miss Lee from the P.T.A. A play honoring Flag Day was given by the sixth grade pupils with Albert Evans, of the fifth grade, also taking part.

The graduates are James Evans, Tom Hines, Mike Dorner, Denise Stevens and Karen Booth. They will attend Cypress Lake Junior High School next term.

## LITTER, NEW BRIDGE AND OTHER PROBLEMS DISCUSSED

An intensified effort is under way to bring the affairs and problems of Sanibel and Captiva Islands into focus and to press for their solution by the Lee County Board of Commissioners. The movement is headed by Admiral E. G. Konrad, president of the Sanibel Community Association, with the help of the newly-appointed committees of the group.

A letter was written to Commissioner Geraci, asking for an interview for the purpose of discussing the problems of the Islands. They include the necessity for immediate provision of sanitary facilities for Turner Park and other public areas, the distribution of litter bags, review of traffic and speed laws, the sign situation and the proposed new Pine Island Bridge.

Since answers to the questions were equally important to both islands, Admiral Konrad asked that Captiva send representatives to the meeting with Mr. Geraci. The group, which included the chairmen of the Improvement Committees for both islands, Paul McCulloch and Leon R. Levy, met with the Commissioner and were assured that he would present the list of complaints to the Board for action. In the case of the Pine Island Bridge, which was slated for action at the next Board meeting, Mr. Geraci suggested that a group representing Sanibel and Captiva be present to present its views.

A telephone squad was appointed to alert residents to attend the meeting and about 25 made the trip to Fort Myers to hear the discussion.

The position taken by the Islanders was that, while they recognized that changes in the Islands were inevitable, they deplored any ill-considered action by the Board in permitting or encouraging private individuals to undertake engineering studies for new bridges at this time. Present difficulties, caused by the existing bridge must be ironed out before any new bridge can even be considered.

It was made clear to the Board that these present problems have now become so urgent that no further delay is possible. The Board agreed, and promised to produce positive action in a short time. The Commissioners also granted permission to have the toll keepers on the Causeway distribute litter bags to all visiting motorists. The Sanibel and Captiva Improvement Committees will underwrite the cost of the bags.

Subsequently, a plan of new locations for trash cans, also to be furnished and painted by the association, was submitted to Mr. Geraci. Approval of the locations was asked and a request made that the County assume the cost of having the cans emptied regularly. Trash cans are badly needed at all public beach access points.

The new Membership Committee has prepared a letter to go out to all Islanders who are not now members of the Community Association,

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CHESTER O. HENRIKSEN DIES

Word has been received of the sudden death of Chester O. Henriksen at his home at Lake Zurich, Illinois. Burial was June 1 at La Grange, Ill. Deepest sympathy is extended to Mrs. Henriksen and the family. There are seven children and 18 grandchildren. Mr. Henriksen was a Winter resident of Captiva for six years.

I wish to thank all my customers for having made this a happy and successful season. The shop closed May 30 --- but the "office" will be open all Summer. Mail orders will be carefully filled --- samples sent on request. Should you receive bill after check has been sent, please forgive it.  
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Mary and Joe Gault are back at the Sea Horse Shop after a European trip during which they combined business with pleasure raised to the Nth degree.

They first flew to Rome where they were joined by Dotty and George Causey, who came up from Sicily where they had been visiting. The Gaults and the Causeys rented a car together and drove through Italy's beautiful hill country, stopping first at Viterbo, an old Etruscan city. There is still a medieval quarter there --- Pelligrino --- which is preserved in its 12th Century style with gorgeous archways and stairways and homes in which people live surrounded by architectural beauty.

From there the party went to the ancient walled city of Orvieto and then on to Sienna. Both cities have magnificent cathedrals. The next stop was Florence, known as the City of Museums. "And we visited all of them," Mrs. Gault says. It was in Florence that the Gaults were able to pick up many of the interesting items they brought back for the Sea Horse Shop.

From Florence, they went by train to Venice for a bit of gondoling, museum touring and general sight seeing. Then they flew to Paris for the balance of their 21-day tour. The horse chestnuts in bloom lined the boulevards and who can describe Paris in the Spring? One of the Gaults' major interests in Paris was in the fashion shows and displays of coming styles for the 64-65 season, particularly those relative to what will be worn at the Riveira and other fashionable summer resorts.

Since Sanibel is a year 'round summer resort, sports clothes are an important item at the Sea Horse Shop and the Gaults' studies will reflect the latest trends in both Parisian and American styles.

While the Gaults were away, Mary Jo came home from Fla. State University to look after the family.

The Causeys have rented the Bill Powell house, recently purchased by Edith Kewitt, and will be on the Island for the summer.



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"If we permit contaminants to flow from our property into the public waterways, we then trespass upon the rights of every citizen," Adams said. "The same is true if we fill the air with pollutants. Once those pollutants have crossed our own property line, we then trespass upon the rights of everyone affected by those pollutants."

**BOAT SAFETY COURSE AVAILABLE NEXT WEEK**

Area youngsters interested in taking a young boatman's safety course may enroll next weekend. Mrs. Homer Dremann is chairman of the project which is being sponsored by the Fort Myers Power Squadron Auxiliary.

Registration will be at the Fort Myers Junior High School cafeteria on June 19 at 10 A.M. Youngsters between the ages of ten to, and including fifteen may take the course to become better acquainted with the problems and delights of operating a mechanically propelled boat. Mrs. Dremann urges those interested to register promptly on June 19 as this class is limited to fifty pupils.

This course is to be taught in four sessions, June 22 through June 25, with examination and graduation on June 26. All classes will be at the Fort Myers Junior High School cafeteria from 10:00 to 11:45 A.M. throughout the week.



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## NEW REPORTER

Meet Cindy --- Mrs. William Von --- who has just undertaken the job of Sanibel news reporter for The Islander.

Her appointment follows the resignation of Mrs. Enid P. Donahue, whose plans are uncertain as she does not know how long she will remain on Sanibel. Mrs. Donahue hopes to make her future home on a mountain top in West Virginia.

Let Cindy Von introduce herself to our readers. She writes:

"I will give the people of Sanibel and its visitors my best. Past reporters have done a marvelous job and I will try to fill their shoes.

"I am Mrs. William Von, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. William J. Reisinger. I was born in Altoona, Pa., and when I was three we moved to Erie. In October of '61 I visited Sanibel for the first time and while here attended Fort Myers High. As most visitors do, I got sand in my shoes and last December, after my marriage to an Erie boy, we made our home here.

"My husband is employed by Coconut Grove Restaurant as second cook. I am employed by Priscilla Murphy, the realtor, as well as by the Islander. Both my husband and I are sports enthusiasts and animal lovers.

"I ask all the readers to please send me their news items, their suggestions and possibly any problems they feel The Islander might help them solve. It is the people of a community who make any paper and The Islander is yours.

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Enid P. Donahue  
In dedication to the memory of Paul Simonds, who died suddenly on May 9, 1964.

Sanibel and Captiva Islands mourn the passing of Paul David Simonds.

With a background of district manager in the Cleveland-Pittsburgh area for Vickers Inc., manufacturers of hydrolic controls, and mechanical engineer for the Kimberley Clark Paper Co. Neenah, Wisconsin, when he retired in 1954 and came to Sanibel with his wife, Marguerite H. Simonds, he brought valuable knowledge and experience which he put to the service of the Islands.

Mr. Simonds opened the Sanibel-Captiva Real Estate Office in 1957 and was a member of the Fort Myers Board of Realtors. He was active with the Sanibel-Captiva Christian Science group and served on various committees with the Sanibel Community Association. Past president of the Sanibel Audubon Society and past president of the Sanibel Improvement Society, he also served as chairman for the Ding Darling Memorial Waterfowl Sanctuary. Paul Simonds was, in his quiet way, one of the moving spirits in all community affairs for the betterment of the Islands.

The sympathy of their many friends goes out to Mrs. Marguerite Simonds and to their son Thomas and his family. There are four grandchildren: Geoffrey, Thomas, Jr., Steven and James.



## THIS WAS BIRDS' LAND FIRST

Please drive cautiously over the Sanibel Causeway and walk carefully if shelling there. The Terns are nesting on the ground at this season --- when you see the sign "Careful, Bird Crossing" it is meant seriously. There are baby terns ALL OVER the place!

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## WHO'S WHO ON CAPTIVA

Greetings to all you wonderful Captivites who have chosen to leave us for a time. We miss you but are so grateful for all your letters and cards telling of safe journeyings to your respective homes. We will be waiting with open arms to greet you as you return.

It has been extremely beautiful and serene on our Island paradise the e past few weeks. The Royal Poinciana trees have never been more beautiful and colorful.

The first bit of good news is that Mrs. MAX HAYFORD is back in her home on Captiva lending help and cheer to her Summer guests.

The May birthday party held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. CHARLES PASCHALL was a huge success. Those celebrating May birthdays were either husband or wife among the following: Mr. and Mrs. LEON LEVY, Mr. and Mrs. GRIFFING BANCROFT, Mrs. GEORGE EAGER, her daughter and son-in-law, Dr. and Mrs. JOHN HENDERSON, PAUL EVERETT, Mrs. MAX HAYFORD, CHARLES BARRETT, Mr. and Mrs. PAUL MCCULLOCH and Mr. and Mrs. AUDENRIED WHITTEMORE.

Others rating an in were MARY PEVEAR and DEBBIE BUNTING.

Mr. and Mrs. DALE BALLINGER are enjoying a visit from their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. PETER R. CLASSLIN from Merritt Island, Florida. ROBERT STERLEY, a friend, accompanied them. On Saturday Peter's brother, wife and son Scotty arrived, also from Merritt Island. The occasion was the high school graduation of LORA LEE BALLINGER.

Lora Lee left by air the morning after her graduation exercises to spend a few days with her grandmother in West Mansfield, Ohio, before visiting other friends in Ohio and New York City. When Lora Lee returns she will work at Coconut Grove on Sanibel.

Friends of HARVEY G. MYER and Mrs. MAUDE W. NICKERSON were happily surprised to learn that Harvey and Maude will exchange vows sometime in July. Details will given at a later date. We all wish the very best for these two fine friends.

Mr. and Mrs. C.F. REPLOGLE of Circleville, Ohio have taken up residence in their attractive home on Palm Avenue on Captiva. It is a lift to all of us to have these two charming, friendly folks in our midst.

Wedding bells rang out in May for Mrs. WILLA V. ROBERTS and MAXWELL FELLERS at the home of the Reverend Ted Allen. Mr. and Mrs. RAY BOOTH witnessed the ceremony.

## YOU CAN STOP HOLDING YOUR BREATH NOW

We assume you have been holding your breath for the past month or so wondering who won our picture contest. Well, wait no more . . . MRS. NORBERT FITCH of P.O. Box 2171, Benton Park Station, St. Louis, Mo., 63158, is our FIRST PRIZE WINNER and will be given a free year's subscription to the ISLANDER or a \$3 GIFT CERTIFICATE as soon as she writes and tells us which one she wants. SECOND PRIZE goes to MIKE DORMER of Sanibel, who won a half year subscription or a \$1.50 gift certificate. MRS. HAIG P. MANOOGIAN of Suffern, New York wins THIRD PRIZE, a packet of Sanibel sand to dream upon. Mrs. Fitch got two right, Mike had one, and Mrs. Manoogian at least sent us a card now and then. (And the next time someone comes up with another contest, we know what we're going to tell 'em.)

The pictures for the contest were taken by Fort Myers Beach photographer-author Rolfe Schell, and they were (in order) #1, a ball point pen, #2, typewriter eraser brush, #3, common straight pins, #4, a grasshopper, #5, a fountain pen point, #6, a lead pencil point and #7, a needle and thread.

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requesting that they make application for membership. A united front, with all Islanders as paid-up members, is necessary to provide more weight in dealing with those in authority.

Mary Kinkel is chairman of the Membership Committee, and she states that she will welcome help in the way of personal appeals from present members to eligible persons who do not now belong.

A Building Committee is at work on plans for additions and improvements to the Community House which, when completed, will provide larger and more modern quarters for many activities, especially the annual Shell Fair. The growth of the fair within the last few years makes it almost mandatory to enlarge the Center. Several methods of financing the improvement project have been discussed.

The possibility of providing low-rent housing units on the Island has also been discussed, and an investigation of such units, built recently in Boca Grande, will be made by a special committee.

Admiral Konrad has set forth an ambitious program for the next year, and hopes that a large portion of it will be carried out in the near future with the help of those who believe that we can better control our growth and channel it into directions that will be acceptable if everyone participates in the effort.

## WHO'S WHO AND WHY

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO JANE

Today is the 23rd birthday anniversary - 23 days, that is - of Miss JANE ELLEN BAILEY. Jane was born May 19 when the stork made a happy visit to the home of PAULINE and FRANCIS BAILEY with the feminine bundle weighing 5 pounds, 9 ounces. This brought the tally in the Bailey home to four girls and a boy. Congratulations!



GEORGE WOOD, brother of THOMAS WOOD, our Refuge Manager, is visiting the Islands.

PRISCILLA MURPHY is taking her vacation this year in Jamaica. She left the Island June 1 and will be away a month.

Mrs. PHILIP BOOKER left June 3 to return to her home in Miami. VIKI WAY went with Mrs. Booker and spent a week on the East Coast.

ELSIE and DAN MALONE are back from a delightful three weeks of boating and skin diving on the Keys. Dan is going back soon to get in a bit of fishing.

Mr. & Mrs. G.E. BOYER were down from Alton, Ill., for a ten day visit with the BILLHEIMERS. This was their fifth visit to Hide Tide.

CHARLOTTE HARRIS, formerly of the B-Hive and Glory of the Sea, has re-enlisted with the WACS, destination unknown until she receives her orders.

Mrs. JESSIE SHIPLEY, who bought the house next to BIRGIT DICKEY's Dress Shop, is now on the Island for the Summer.

### SHARP - MURPHY

The wedding of Elizabeth Yarrow Sharp of Captiva and Patrick O. Murphy of Sanibel took place Monday evening, May 25, in the home of Mr. & Mrs. Homer J. Kaupp. Mrs. Mary Aleck attended the bride as Matron of Honor and Ken Saunders was Best Man. Following the wedding service, the party went to Smitty's Restaurant in Fort Myers for dinner ... with champagne, of course.

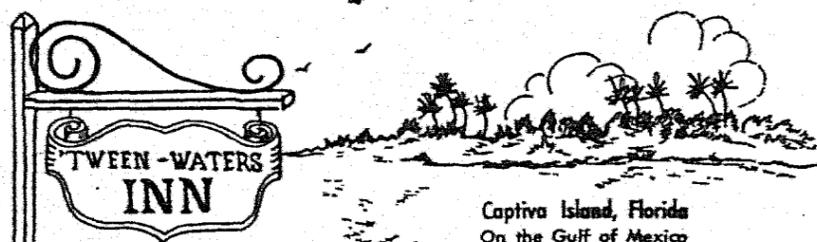
The couple has acquired the former residence of Griffing Bancroft on Captiva, which they have named "Sandrift." They have temporarily postponed the honeymoon trip in the excitement of moving into their new home. Congratulations and best wishes go to Pat and Elizabeth from all their friends on both Islands.

JACK BREWER, the Captiva artist who received an art fellowship award to study at Instituto Allende in San Miguel de Allende, Mexico, will exhibit some of his work through July at the Galeria Mexicana de Arte in Mexico City.

### SANIBEL COMMUNITY CHURCH GUILD MEETS

At the May meeting of the Ladies' Guild of the Sanibel Community Church, 29 members entertained their families and friends with a covered dish supper. The hostesses were the retiring president, HELEN PLOESSER, and her sister, DORIS. BILL NEWMAN assisted them.

Following the supper, the new officers were installed. They are: President, MARY NIX, Vice President, ETHEL REYNOLDS, Secretary, JOYCE IRWIN and Treasurer, MAUDE SNOOK.



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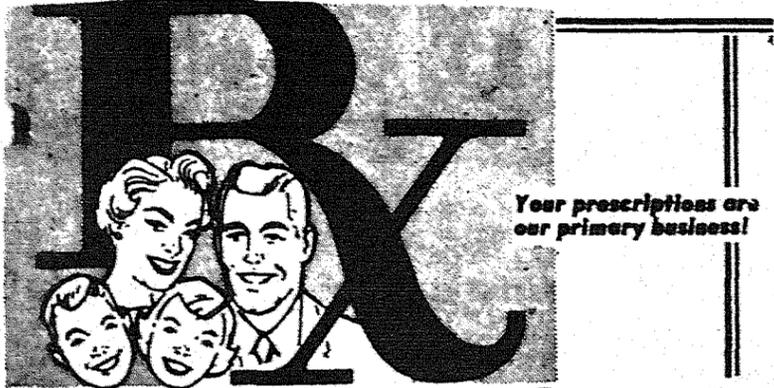
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## TEEN CORNER

by chris gault

Hundreds of hats thrown triumphantly into the air typified graduation---the proudest day of a senior's life. At Fort Myers Senior High six hundred-odd students began their adult life on Tuesday, June 2, the day of the all-night graduation.

Early in the evening the diplomas were given out and the Salutatorian and Valedictorian speeches delivered. Then came the wild whoops amid dozens and dozens of flashbulb flashes. The dance for the graduating seniors and their dates followed and, as it ended at 1 o'clock, it was "on to the movies," shown free in their honor.

By this time, with the drowsy kids determined not to give up, most went on to several beach and house parties that lasted until sunrise and even later. From there each grad went his or her own way, probably never again to see their fellow classmates in group again.

This year's graduates from Fort Myers High are LORALEE BALLINGER, PATTY BROADBENT, DENNIS STONECYPHER and RICHARD WRIGHT.

Congratulations and Good Luck!

Much happened in preparation for Graduation Day.

First was the Prom at the Exhibition Hall May 15. The Theme, "Viva la France" or "An Evening in Paris" was planned and directed by Juniors in honor of the Senior Class. Only Juniors and Seniors and their dates were permitted to enter the hall where they were greeted by a French painter with brush in hand. As they passed through the lobby and entered the ballroom the first eye-catcher was the eight-foot Eiffel

Tower on the floor at the far end of the room. The Arch de Triumph behind the band made the affair even more realistic.



Soon the wonder wore off and the students, transformed into young men and young ladies by their tuxedos and floor-length formals, realized they should find seats rather than stand stupefied in the middle of the floor. So they drifted into the cafes to find their tables and favors. After hours of dancing the French Evening was over, to be followed by a series of late parties.

The next Thursday the Senior Class took off from school heading for Vanderbilt Beach where Senior Skip Day was held. After hours of sun and fun the group showed up at school the next day with lovely red sunburns.

That Friday night Year Books were distributed at the school cafeteria during the annual Signing Party. Everyone showed up to claim their books and to get them signed by their classmates. All during the following week the students lugged these Annuals around to make sure everyone "signed up."

The next Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday were taken up with cramming and exams. The underclassmen were forced to take all of the exams for passing while seniors were exempt if they had an A or B. Each test took two hours and we were obligated to attend

school only during the actual exams.

Sunday before graduation Baccalaureate was held for the Seniors. The four graduating Islanders donned their hats and gowns for this service. Judi McQuade, an usher for the night, also went in with the Fort Myers High graduates.

Another graduate on the Island is IDELLA GAVIN, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Gavin. Idella, who received her diploma from Dunbar Senior High School, plans to attend a beauty college in Miami next Fall.

Plans for the Summer are many and varied, but one thing everyone has in common is---they're on the move.

Tom Morse, a youth from the North who had been working at South Seas Plantation, returned to his home in Middlebury, Vt. some days ago.

Sara Stahlin, of Fort Myers and Captiva, is utilizing her vacation time by working with her father at South Seas. In August she and her family plan to visit the World's Fair in New York.

Judi McQuade plans to visit Maryland in July. During August she hopes to go with the Stahlins to the World's Fair.

Linda and Jimmy Jack are going on a Carribean cruise with their parents, Mr. & Mrs. James Jack. They will be gone most of the Summer.

Maine will be the home of Bob and Mike Dormer for the next three months.

The Broadbents are moving from the Islands during the Summer. They will be in North Carolina for the next few months. Their father is employed in that state.

Lora Lee Ballinger has left for Ohio where she will visit

her boyfriend, Jim Brown, and his family. She will be a guest of the Brown family for a couple weeks and then return to the Islands where she will work at Coconut Grove.

Dennis Stonecypber, who has a friend, Cory Powell from California, visiting him now, will travel back West with Cory. Dennis will stay there through the Summer.

Mary Jo Gault plans to spend her vacation in Vermont where she has a job and a boyfriend, Tom. She will return to Florida State University in the Fall.

Your reporter is going to Florida Presbyterian College for six weeks during the Summer. She's studying French. After taking the Summer course she plans a trip to the World's Fair.

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