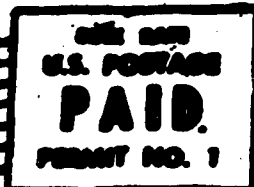
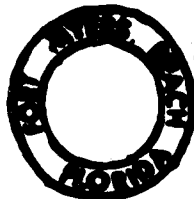


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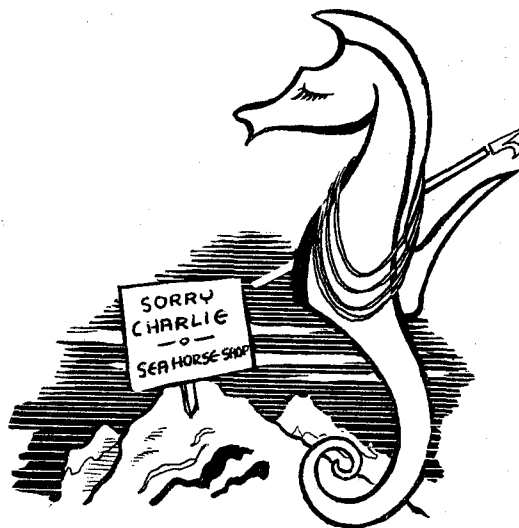
The Board of Directors and The Shell Fair Committee of The Sanibel Community Association announce that the booklet, entitled "Information for Visitors to Sanibel & Captiva" which was first issued in the spring of 1964, will be reprinted in accordance with a new plan.

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1 Tues	11:43	10:44	5:03	5:04
2 Wed	12:23p	11:13	5:39	5:37
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The Sea Horse Shop and Art Gallery were popular spots last Wednesday evening as over 300 Islanders stopped in to view the opening of The Art Gallery. The work of local artists was loudly acclaimed, and, adding to the nice words, people backed up their appreciation by buying some of the art work.

The show will run through December. After that time, Leon Levy will be featuring a number of one-man shows. Assisting Mary and Joe Gault, and Edie and Leon Levy as hosts were Mary Gogolin, Margaret Walters, Mary Jo Morse, and Chris and Ruth Gault. Elise Fuller, Marge Simonds and Florence Simonds served punch and welcomed guests.



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Mrs. EVELYN C. BAILEY of Falls Church, Virginia, a frequent Gallery guest, is spending a month on the Islands. She likes Sanibel so well she has decided to look for property here.

Mr. and Mrs. G.L. LEIM-KUHLER and Mr. and Mrs. MERLE UNDERWOOD, all of Des Moines, Iowa, are enjoying their first visit to the Islands and to The Gallery. They have been shelling frequently, and Mr. Underwood found a lovely Horse Conch. Mr. Leimkuhler picked up a very strange (to him) shell and casually brought it up to the office for identification. Turned out to be a nice specimen of a Junonia.

Return guests are Dr. and Mrs. DAVID PALMER of Venice, Florida.

The Sanibel Community Association will meet Tuesday, Dec. 1, in the Community Hall. A Covered Dish Supper at 6:30 p.m. will precede the 7:30 meeting.

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Mr. & Mrs. JOHN RACE and Mr. & Mrs. HOWARD HOFFMAN, both from Middletown, Ohio, are back for several weeks on their annual visit. Both couples are ardent fishermen. Mr. & Mrs. ED KREMER of Franklin, Ohio, and their guests Mr. & Mrs. LARRY POULSFORD of Bellview, Ky. are back for their annual visit to the Island. Mr. & Mrs. HOWARD JONES of Zanesville, Ohio have also returned for their yearly stay at Tradewinds.

Friends of Mrs. HAZEL GREEN, aunt of Mrs. SMITH KAUFFMAN of Tradewinds, will be happy to learn that she was married recently in Dayton to Mr. ELMER SNELL. The former Mrs. Green has spent many winters here, and wants her friends to know that they are now "at home" at 3259 Ridge Ave., Dayton, Ohio.

Mr. & Mrs. N.H. SEGUIN of Dysart, Pa., are at the FRETNETTES' Beachcomber Motel for a week. This is their third visit to the Islands.

Mr. & Mrs. MENDELL TAYLOR of Cincinnati, Ohio, have returned for two weeks.

Newcomers to the Islands and The Beachcomber are Mr. and Mrs. C.G. LOWREY of Daytona Beach and Mr. & Mrs. HERBERT SIXTUS of Rotterdam Junction, New York. Both couples say they are enjoying The Beachcomber, The Islands and the shelling very much.

CIBBY MARCHION of Rochester, New York, who is the owner of Cibby's Lounge there, spent a fabulous two weeks on the Islands, particularly enjoying the fishing as well as other Island attractions, as the guests of Mr. & Mrs. NORMAN CHAMBERS of Hiers By The Sea Motel. He left for the chill north on Sunday.

CARL ZAMBUTO is also visiting the Chambers, who are his brother-in-law and sister. He plans to stay on the Islands at least through Thanksgiving, and also has gotten a great deal of enjoyment from Island fishing.

DOTTIE ANDOLINA celebrated her 49th birthday (an honest girl is Dottie) Tuesday a week ago at Golden Sands (where she is employed) with a Natal Party. A bowl of Scorpion Punch (for Scorio, you see) was centered on a covered buffet table. The punch was floated with white glads and a white orchid decorated the ladle. Two floral arrange-

ments were placed at either end of the table and the thirty or more guests all had a wonderful time enjoying the delightful edibles and potables. Dottie also said she had a marvelous time opening the scores of birthday packets.

MARY K. CUNNINGHAM's shop on Captiva is filled with fascinating things - - - and people. While browsing, we met Mrs. WILLIAM BANCROFT of Cocoa Beach, Florida, who had popped over to the Islands for the weekend with Mr. BANCROFT and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. DON MARSHALL of Erie, Pennsylvania. The Bancrofts are one of the three families who own "The Rocks" on Sanibel, and Mrs. Bancroft said that slowly but surely they are getting closer to being permanent Sanibel residents. Just a few months ago, they became Floridians-by-choice when they moved to Cocoa Beach from Erie - - - and someday, she says, they'll be Sanibelites-by-choice.

Mrs. Edna Kearns of Hurricane House just received a box this week from the South Seas containing specimens of lovely corals. These were all collected from The Great Barrier Reef. They were sent by Mrs. Bruce McNaught who was touring the South Pacific and were mailed from Queensland. The corals were gathered at Bent Island, Whitsunday Group in the South Pacific and received at Sanibel Island in the Gulf of Mexico. Mrs. McNaught is an annual guest at Hurricane House and will arrive here in December to stay into May. She loves islands.

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Stout Jr., of Louisville, Florida, spent the past weekend at Hurricane House. The Stouts are return visitors here and are very much interested in birds and sea shells.

JACK RUSHWORTH, manager of Island Inn, was struck by an automobile last Friday as he was walking across U.S. 41 near Al's Supermarket in North Fort Myers. Jack said that he looked both ways carefully, but that, halfway across, the car was suddenly upon him. He jumped, but not quite far enough, and ended up with a dislocated shoulder and two badly bruised ankles. He's now home recuperating and is feeling better as each day goes by.

Mr. & Mrs. EARL N. DRUMMOND of Waterford, New York, have arrived at their beach home, La Fiesta, on Gulf Shore Drive for the entire winter. This is unusually early for the Drummonds - Welcome home!

Mr. & Mrs. RAY F. WEIGERT of Rockford, Illinois, have arrived at their Sanibel Gulf Drive beach home, Sanibel Sands, for a stay until the middle of December. They come back again in March.

Miss RUTH PALMERTON of Chicago was the guest of honor at a cocktail party given in her honor by JIM and HELEN DENNY of Sanibel. Miss Palmerton taught at Austin High School in Chicago and resigned after forty years of teaching. She is spending three months on the Islands at Shalimar on Gulf Drive, and will leave Sanibel sometime in January to spend a year traveling around the World. (Yes Eds are beginning to think they picked the wrong business - - - we have to wait for the World to come to us!) It sounds like a marvelous idea, and we hope her trip is a happy and enjoyable one.

Miss Palmerton and other guests are also enjoying their Thanksgiving Dinner with the Dennys.

Mr. & Mrs. HENRY PETERS of Higgins lake, Michigan, have returned for their fifth season at the Woosters' Beachview. They just got back from a trip to Europe and Jerusalem. Their children, who live in Detroit, wanted the Peters to stay in the north longer, but Henry had to get back to his Shangri La as soon as possible, as his daughter PAT said.

Also back at Beachview for their third vacation to the Islands are Mr. & Mrs. R.L. HANKEN of Union City, Mich. They are spending Thanksgiving on the east coast with relatives, and then will pop back here for several more weeks.

Mr. & Mrs. A. ALLIE of Louisville, Kentucky, are on the Islands for their second vacation and especially enjoy bringing nice fat fish in from the beach in front of their cottages.

Mr. & Mrs. JOHN SHINN of Fords, New Jersey, are also trying Island life for the second time - - - and liking it very much.

Mr. and Mrs. LLOYD HUNTINGTON of Norris, Tenn. have returned to The Shell Basket on Sanibel for another season and found an unusually beautiful golden olive within just a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. RALPH HOSKINS and grandson JIMMY LOVELESS, of Deerfield spent an all too brief vacation with his sister Mrs. GLEN STAHL at The Shell Basket.

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Mr. & Mrs. CECIL HUDSON returned to their Gulf Drive Home recently to spend six months on The Islands. They spent the summer in their northern home in Illinois. Mr. Hudson's sister and brother-in-law, the HALDON GREGORYS, also of Illinois, have returned to The Islands for the season and are staying on the Rev. SCHNEIDER'S property, near The Sanibel Estates Office.

Island Inn on Sanibel draws its guests back again and again by its comfortable charm. Mrs. WILLIAM H. SAJQUETTE of Little Deer Isle, Maine, is here for her 15th season.

Mr. FARNEY of New Kensington, Pa., plans to stay through the Thanksgiving Holidays; Mrs. P.H. BLOSSON of Hudson, Ohio will stay at the Inn until February, except for a holiday sojourn in West Palm Beach at Christmas; Mr. & Mrs. EDWARD BREWSTER of Pikesville, Indiana, will stay til Dec. 1; the H.A. BUTLERS of Montgomery, Alabama are here until just before Christmas; Mr. and Mrs. WILLIAM LAMBIE of Portsmouth, Rhode Island, are here till the 15th of Dec; Mrs. ROBERT P. PARSONS of Weston, Mass, is spending a week, and Mr. & Mrs. G.E. BRAKLEY, JR., of Darien, Pa., who have been frequent guests at the Inn in the past, popped in to say hello over the weekend.

PARTY, PARTY

Miss VIRGINIA KLOTZ celebrated her birthday last Sat., the same day of her Sea Gull Studio's fifth anniversary. The Island Bake Shop sent her a beautifully decorated cake with "Happy Birthday, Virginia" and "Happy Anniversary, Sea Gull Studios" written on top. Miss Klotz was very generous with the cake, and gave a birthday present---a lovely shell--to all her freinds and people who stopped in her shop that day.



HOW ABOUT A CAKE?

The Claxton Fruit Cakes, which are sold by The American Legion Auxiliary every year, arrived in time for Thanksgiving and added the final touch to the turkey and trimmings on many a table on Sanibel and Captiva. The ladies have these in several sizes at \$1 a pound, and chairman Goldie Nave reports that they are going fast. She has them at their shop, Nave Plumbing, and they are also available at the office of Auxiliary member Priscilla Murphy. If you'd like delivery to your door, just call GR-2-4181 and Mary Nix will get it to you.

???s ON WATER SYSTEM?

Anyone interested in information on the proposed water system for Sanibel and Captiva, will find a list of questions and answers posted on the bulletin board at Sanibel-Captiva Real Estate Office, pending the opening of the office of The Island Water Association, Inc., in Town Square. Off-Island property owners are invited to write for a copy of questions and answers.

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TO THE ISLANDER:

Enclosed is our check for another year of THE ISLANDER. Thank you for continuing to send it, even though our subscription had run out. We thought it must be about out and were waiting to hear.

We enjoy the paper and read every word, even to the last word of the ads. We do have a few suggestions of things we would like to see included. 1. The Chamber of Commerce wouldn't like this idea, but we who are away worry about the hurricanes and would like to know what happens. The northern papers have very sketchy information unless there is a spectacular hit on Miami. We always hope the hurricanes won't hit, but will come just near enough to bring in lots of good shells. Did they?

2. For those of us who like to keep track of the tides, could you put in the tide table for the month, or at least for two weeks instead of just one week? By the time the paper gets to Michigan it's usually about the last day of the table. How can we picture you all enjoying that extra extra low tide unless we know about it?

3. How about real estate transactions? Who has bought land and who is building? We who own a bit of land there but can't be near it are interested. We are also interested in what the county commissioners and zoning boards do at their meetings. When there is a petition for a zoning change we would like to know what was decided.

4. The odds and ends of information you take for granted are gems of wisdom to those of us who aren't there but wish we were. How is the Pine Island water supply coming? Is the Ding Darling Road finished? Did you have enough rain this fall to fill the cisterns?

I know, it would take an 8-page daily to satisfy us, but we like the paper, whatever is in it. Keep it coming.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ William R. Sur



**FROM LITTLE
SPARKS...
GIANT FOREST
FIRES GROW!**

How delightful the sound of the bell as it tolls out once again from our sweet Chapel By The Sea by our bell toller, Ray Booth.

Dr. G. Spears gave a mighty and inspiring sermon on this opening Sunday, based on Acts 9:10 and 22:13. The disciple Ananias, who was never known as a public figure at any other historical time, brought a message he had received from God to Saul. Saul's entire life was changed by the message, which resulted in Saul's conversion. Saul, of course, became St. Paul, one of the greatest Christian missionaries the World has ever known. Ananias, then, through faith and conviction in his belief, became the bridge over which Saul, a hater and persecutor of Christians, was able to pass into Christian living. Dr. Spears emphasized how each of us, regardless of station in life or degree of wealth, could, if we would, also change a life completely with faith and conviction enough to lend ourselves as a bridge to that someone momentarily in need.

Miss MILDRED ONSTINE of Oberlin, Ohio, and her good friend, Mrs. GOLDIE JOHNSON of Fort Knox, Ky., have returned to Mid Island Cottages for their two week recuperation period from heavy duties and responsibilities as Air Control Manager and Provost Marshall, respectively.

Mrs. HORACE WILLIAMS had the good fortune of finding a double Sun Rise Tellin on Captiva. Don't get discouraged, your turn may come soon.

A mystery not yet solved is--who was the little bride and her groom who exchanged marriage vows in the Chapel By The Sea, left her bouquet on the alter, had a quiet dinner at Mitchell's Castaways Restaurant, and then just disappeared unnoticed. Does anyone know?

Mrs. JOHN RACEK was very thrilled this week upon finding a Golden Olive at the foot of Coral Way.

Then a bit of bad luck developed when she found that a detached retina in her right eye was causing loss of vision. Her husband, JOHN, drove her to Miami where she will be in Franklin Memorial Hospital for a few days for observation.

Who's Who on Captiva

Mrs. JOHN D. LARKIN had a close call while being driven back to Captiva by her husband. Seems a fellow traveler forgot to take the right exit from the toll road that would bring him to his destination and chose to rectify his mistake right then and there. In doing so he hit the Larkins head-on damaging the front of their car badly enough that it was impossible to continue on. This happened in Vincennes, Indiana. While Mrs. Larkin was in the hospital getting a broken and a cracked rib taped, Mr. Larkin was out exchanging his battered up car for a brand new one. Within two hours they were on their way again, but not so merrily.

Two very interesting folk, Mr. and Mrs. HERVEY ROBERTS from Kirkwood, Miss., who for many years have been occupying one of Engles' Cottages while visiting Captiva, have now built their own home on Munson Ave. Mr. Roberts has retired as General Audio-Visual Supervisor for South West Bell Telephone Co. in St. Louis, Missouri and his wife, Hazel as librarian of the Engineering School of Washington University also in St. Louis, Missouri. Among her many talents, Mrs. Roberts is also an expert weaver, having had her work displayed at the St. Louis City Art Museum. Hazel has warned that if we do not see curtains on her windows for quite some time it is because she intends to weave them all by hand. Having had the misfortune of breaking three bones in her left ankle just before leaving Missouri, with Doctors orders not to step on it until the 1st of January, maybe she will get at it right soon. The Roberts have two daughters, one living in Tuscon, Arizona, the other in Milwaukee. We are so delighted to have these out going people in our community.

Mrs. D. EDWIN PLASTER, who is a member of the Garden Club from Atlanta, Georgia, is remaining on as a guest of Mrs. WILLIAM S. DENNIS, JR. Mr. Plaster will join his wife and remain over Thanksgiving with Mrs. Dennis.

Mrs. J.J. GRULLEMANS, who has just returned to her Captiva home from Cape Cod, has made two very generous contributions to the Community House. The first, a sketch by the late "DING" DARLING, was made especially for her while

she was associated with the U.S.O. in Pinesville, Ohio, during W.W. II. It will remain in the Community House until a permanent memorial is built.

The second is a letter written by an 11 year old girl regarding her feelings and reactions concerning the much-loved lady of the Island, Miss ALICE O'BRIEN. Mrs. Grullemans had this letter painted on parchment and neatly framed. Thank you so much.

The ROBERT ONANS, whose Captiva home is on Palm Ave., have just arrived from Milwaukee, Wisc. Last year they vacationed in Europe, so we saw very little of them. This season we hope they stay on.

The demonstration given by Mrs. PARKER MILLS at the Community House for the Atlanta Garden Club has received many favorable comments. Pin's arrangements of local flora, each one a pasterpiece of art, numbered twenty four.

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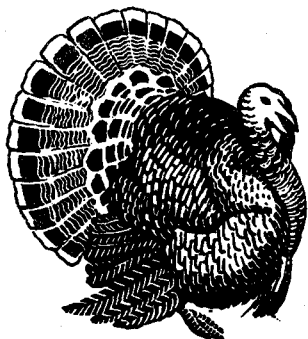
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REPORT TO THE SANIBEL COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

As President of The Sanibel Community Association, I take this means of addressing all members of The Association, as well as Island residents who are not now affiliated with us, to outline some of the problems which face the Island, and to list some of the accomplishments which have been effected, as well as the larger number of hoped-for successes which we have not yet been able to bring to pass.

It should be apparent to all of us that Sanibel Island, along with Captiva, must anticipate many changes in the next few years. The general development of Southwest Florida will not leave us untouched, and the direction and character of the development, while not altogether controllable by local effort, can be influenced to a great extent by the expression of local opinion if it represents a large number of the area's voters.

The Community Association is an organization which can fully speak for all of The Islanders, since it embraces both business people and residents. It is therefore important that all eligible persons on the Island be members and attend its meetings, so that they will have a voice in its determinations.

Perhaps our outstanding accomplishment is the fact that a membership drive, by means of a letter sent to all property owners, resulted in over a 100% increase in our rolls. This would be a notable feat if this increase could also be translated into terms of action.

However, the sad truth is that we find it difficult to obtain such action, in committee and other work. Many of our hardest-working members are in business and cannot afford to devote more time to committee work, but, since we are met with refusals to undertake responsibility from so many others, it has been found necessary to center all committee activity in a small group instead of spreading it among a much larger number of members.

It may be argued that this is a normal situation, and that this same statement can be made of any organization, in any community which may be perfectly valid. However, we on Sanibel cannot afford to let opportunities for improvement go begging when there is so much to do, for a lack of interest in undertaking a share in responsibility and in carrying out planned assignments.

For example, these are a few of the things that should be pursued to some satisfactory conclusion:

THE CONSTRUCTION BY THE COUNTY OF SANITARY FACILITIES FOR VISITORS TO THE ISLAND. This matter was taken up earlier in the year and promises were made which have not been carried out.

MORE EFFECTIVE MOSQUITO CONTROL MEASURES. We feel that the budget savings announced by the Mosquito Control Board were not adequate compensation for the discomfort suffered by all, as a result of too infrequent spraying. A shortsighted policy in this matter will result in much monetary loss to the business people of the area, if this past summer's experience is repeated.

A COMMUTER'S RATE FOR BRIDGE TOLLS. We have asked for consideration of this request from time to time and have recently sent out another letter, requesting immediate action, which

we hope will shortly be forthcoming.

REPUBLICATION OF THE LAST YEAR'S FAIR BROCHURE in somewhat different format, without advertising but with sponsors' names listed. Much work is needed to be done on this item, in order to get it out well in advance of the Shell Fair, and to place it in information Centers as early as possible. Help is badly needed.

EXTENSION OF FACILITIES OF COMMUNITY HOUSE. We now have a number of competitor shell fairs, both on the east and west coasts, and it is necessary for us to have more adequate facilities for display and for other attractions, if we are to keep our place in the contest for visitors. The Fairs of the last three years have demonstrated the total inadequacy of the present building and it is improbable that we can continue our past success in the field if we do not improve our physical setup.

FINANCING OF IMPROVEMENTS. Several schemes have been proposed for raising the necessary funds for the new building extension, but any one, if adopted, will require the attention and cooperation of many of our members, as well as their financial support.

LOW COST HOUSING. This has been proposed and preliminary examinations have been made as to feasibility, but no real progress has been attempted. However, it is the opinion of many people on the Island that it is absolutely necessary to the future successful economy of the Island, that some type of cheap but decent housing be provided. A visit was made to Boca Grande, to investigate such apartments in that city, and it is believed that a similar project could be underwritten locally. Before any determination can be made, it will be required to examine and report on the various means to be employed, an assignment which will demand time and thought, but which will be most important to our future growth pattern.

POLICING OF PUBLIC AREAS. The Islands have noted a considerable improvement in the roadside litter situation, since we were permitted to add twelve new trash can pickups. The Community Association Improvement Committee obtained the cans, had them painted and lettered, put them in place and persuaded the County Commissioner to authorize their servicing by The Beach Disposal Company. More missionary work could be used to further improve this situation.

GENERAL ACTIVITIES: We are a pleasant community, full of pleasant and interesting people, who would enjoy each others' company if a series of diversified community activities could be undertaken. We need organization of Duplicate Bridge Parties, dances for adults and teen agers, and other social "Doings" that would bring us closer together.

OTHER ITEMS: Many more community projects that will benefit all might occur to our members if more general interest in Island welfare could be aroused.

Finally, let me say that we have received the most encouraging cooperation from many members who have undertaken committee assignments. Our trouble is that, whenever a problem arises, we are forced to call on these same people again and again, with the result that they have done much more than should have been expected of the individual member. This report is less of a report than it is a plea for a genuine "Pitching In" of all members, new and old, so that we can decide on, or at least influence, our own future destiny as a community. See you at the Covered Dish Supper, Tuesday, December 1st.

/s/ E.G. Konrad
President: Sanibel Community Association

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to each individual subscriber should be materially increased over the previous allotment.

Center-fold pages will be devoted to current Shell Fair activities, and these 2 pages, plus the sponsors' page, will be the only parts of the book necessary to be re-edited each year, if the new format proves successful and is satisfactory to The Association and Subscribers.

The minimum number of sponsors will permit the publication of 25,000 copies, but this total number of copies may be increased if the subscription list exceeds the minimum. The Sanibel-Captiva Chamber of Commerce will assume responsibility for the wide distribution of the brochure to information centers and other interested agencies.

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THE OCTOBER, 1944, HURRICANE

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There is one good thing about a hurricane. It never sneaks up on you. In these days of weather bureaus and radios you are informed the minute one of those undesirable manifestations starts gathering itself together down in the locality of Turk's Islands somewhere in the Carribean. We didn't get excited in our place on the map in the Gulf of Mexico in the Oct. 1944 storm until it got to Jamaica and was swirling northwest towards the Florida mainland. This particular hurricane had been hesitating for some days in the islands and had made no decision about where it was going, and it didn't sound too bad anyway. So we went about our daily ways not giving it much thought but, of course, kept a weather eye cocked for any development.

There were only five guests at Island Inn that early in the fall— an official from the Weather Bureau at Fort Myers, two were very young service men on leave and a couple of tourists. The two service men had announced that they were giving a show after dinner at the Inn the night of the 17th and we were all invited and a special box seat was contrived for Dolly Varden, the cocker, and me. Of course we all attended. By dark that night there was an odd feeling in the air. The wind had started to pick up. The Weather Bureau had announced that the hurricane was going to hit Havanna and was heading directly north. With a ruler on a map the Weather Bureau man, Albert Colcord, showed me that Havanna was directly south of Sanibel. It was a shock as I had always thought Cuba was much to the east of us and south. Unless it shifted course it was coming straight towards us. There was nothing we could do right then, so on with the show!

It was such a terrific performance we always felt it had something to do with what we got soon afterwards. One of the boys, Tony Paris, from Providence, R.I. was swarthy and very dark. Black hair and very masculine. He played Camille in the play of that name and gave the death scene. He had on one of Miss Lettie Nutt's night gowns. I knew she would never have loaned it to him or anyone else for that matter; it was ruffled at the neck and had long sleeves ruffled at the wrists. No amount of grease paint and powder could disguise Tony. It was one of the funniest performances I have ever seen. The audience was in hysterics. William Whitman III of Boston was the lover and he did very well. Just as Camille was about to expire Tony boomed out something in a loud masculine voice like a drill sergeant and sat up suddenly with such vim and vigor that he overthrew the lover hovering over him. We had to ask them to quit as we just couldn't take any more, being so overcome with laughter. Camille climbed down from the bed and did a jig such as Miss Lettie's night gown had never seen the likes of—and never would again. They took a bow and our applause was thunderous.

Then William Whitman played the hero from a scene in "Gone With The Wind." Tall slender artistic Bill had real talent and in later years was producing his own shows on Broadway. They were quite successful. That night at Island Inn

the title "Gone With The Wind" was most appropriate but we didn't realize how appropriate until afterwards. To make the curtains which pulled back and forth across the stage they had ruined several pairs of Charlotta's best sheets.

After the show when I drove back to my cottage, the wind was very stiff and the reports were very bad over the radio. It was still headed exactly towards us. Next morning was bright and sunny but there was a heavy feeling in the atmosphere. The Weather Bureau announced that the storm was picking up in intensity and speed and was aimed directly towards our islands. The ferry announced that they would stop running by the middle of the afternoon and the ferries would be towed up the river for safety and all who wanted to leave the Island should do so. None of us wanted to leave. Charlotta never would leave the Inn. The two tourists departed. Shelling should be very good and I made arrangements to come to the Inn until the storm was over. The three government radio men wanted to go but the army said no—so they joined us at the Inn. All day we did what we could to prepare for the blow. The wind kept increasing in velocity but we still were not prepared for what was on the way and for what we got.

The garage back of my cottage was much lower than my cottage and Mrs. Haman's garage was much higher and Charlie Carter, her caretaker, allowed me to put my car in it which was fortunate as my garage was filled with water.

There isn't much one can do to prepare—take rugs off floors, take articles away from the range of windows as coconuts go flying in the air. I had no storm shutters but did all I could to prepare. The last ferry had already gone.

We all assembled at the Inn. Charlotta had a substantial roast beef dinner and everyone was hungry, the Army especially so. After dinner we all went over to "The Barracks" as we called the large building facing the Gulf which contained the bedrooms, baths, large living room with log fire place and wide porches which extended the length of the house, to weather out the storm together. Charlotta had brought over tomato juice and sandwiches and cookies. The electric current went off about eight o'clock but we had a good supply of kerosene lamps and candles and flash lights. Charlotta had given me a bedroom off the living room but none of us knew then that we would not even take off our shoes. There was a card table open and a deck of cards and we played a silly game called Black Maria which required no thinking and I played until I just couldn't stand it any more and turned my hand over to someone else. It was inky black outside. The wind was roaring, surf was pounding high, rain dashed violently against the window panes. It all sounded awful. But we all kept cheerful. Every now and then Albert Colcord shouted after a look at his official barometer "She's still going down. We have not had the worst." Charlotta tried to bolster us up later with tomato juice and sandwiches but we were by now a dismal lot. Finally I went into the bedroom taking the cocker, Dolly Varden, with me and we sat bolt upright on the bed. Charlotta follow-

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ed me. I had been listening intently and said to her "Charlotta I hear water under the house." "It couldn't be water, must be rats," she replied. Just then the door jamb between the bedroom and the living room blew out and water spouted up like a geyser. It spread over the bedroom floor. We both hastily lifted the bags and suit cases, belonging to the new hostess who was to arrive the next day, off the floor onto the bed. We dashed into the living room. The brick fire place had caved in and water was spouting up there. Everyone was rushing around as water was covering the entire floor. Pandemonium followed. Granny and I went upstairs. I carried Dolly Varden. Granny was repeating the 91st Psalm. I was shouting that wonderful hymn of Martin Luther's at the top of my voice. Ordinarily I do not sing out loud in public but now nobody could hear me even shout so I sang at the top of my voice. It gave me courage. "All power is given unto Our Lord, on Him we place reliance with truth from out his sacred word we bid our foes defiance." And "Our Lord is God alone, no other power we own, no other voice we heed no other help we need. His kingdom is forever." It was most sustaining.

One of the radio men came up and said to us, "Albert Colcord says we must evacuate this building."

I replied, "Tell Albert Colcord he's crazy, we can't get out of this building." Just then a breaker hit against the building and it shook so it nearly knocked us all down and I thought, "maybe Albert is right. I would go down and see."

He was right. The front door was gone. Part of the living room floor had caved in and the water was getting deeper. There was no time to lose. I got grabbed first, a soldier on each side of me. One carried the cocker and all arms linked together we started out for the main building, across the drive. We plunged into hip deep water. The flash light showed a tall coconut palm tree had been uprooted and was lying across the driveway in front of the steps. What a blessing as that broke the force of the water and gave us something to hold onto. In college once I had had to read Dante's "Inferno" and this was it, only more so. It seemed silly to chuckle. When I felt the cement steps of the other building under my feet I knew we had made it. I could make my way inside from there on and they dashed back to get Granny. They carried her in a ratan chair, one soldier in front, one in back and one on each side. Her companion Harriett Abbott held onto the soldier in back and they made it safely also. They tenderly carried Granny so high that not even her feet got wet. She was brought inside and deposited on a couch. She apologized for shedding a few tears and that about finished us up. Charlotta came last carrying all sorts of things and Albert came next with his weather bureau paraphernalia and the soldiers all followed. All safe! We just had flash lights but Bill Whitman sat down at the grand piano and started to play. Granny shouted at him "Quit that!" with such vim and vigour we knew she was quite herself and

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all right. Then Albert Colcord was missing. "Where is Albert?" we asked anxiously. One of the boys said "He went back to get a dry pair of pants." Just then he came in dripping carrying a package on the top of his head. Braving the hurricane to get a dry pair of pants was so ridiculous we all burst into laughter and it did us good. Tony and Bill went out to the kitchen and made a pot of hot coffee and there were sandwiches left over. We were all wet and shivering so after a hot drink we all relaxed and made ourselves comfortable. We made beds on the floor out of couch pillows and covered up warm under white flannel table pads which Charlotte handed around. That was between two and three in the morning and Albert kept saying "It's still going down" but we felt we were safe in that building - we hoped! With the storm still going strong - we slept!

To be continued.

LADIES GUILD BAZAAR

Ten years have brought many changes to our Island. Delving into the yellow pages of an old leather-bound gilt-edged book containing the minutes of the first meetings of The Ladies Guild, we find that Mrs. Helen Lauer served as the first president, Miss Pauline Bailey as vice president and Miss Nancy McCann as secretary-treasurer. At that time, the Sanibel Community Church was the only church on Sanibel. The small group that originally belonged to the Ladies' Guild includes many ladies who are active in all the five churches that are represented on Sanibel now. During the early days of The Guild, the ladies not only busied themselves providing many needed things for the church, but for the Community House as well. They held their first bazaar December 10, 1955. Since then,

the Bazaar has been an annual endeavor through the administrations of past presidents Jo Pickens, Nancy McCann, Sylvia Strong, Gladys Kauffman and Helen Ploesser. This year is no exception, with Mary Nix as president.

Members have been bending mighty efforts in making all sorts of beautiful and practical things for the annual Bazaar which will be held at The Sanibel Community House Sat., Nov. 28, from 10 a.m. til 2 p.m.

Each year, The Ladies' Guild has had the support of Island guests as well as of former members who now have churches of their denominational preference, but who formed strong ties of Christian friendship back in the early days, just ten years ago.

So join them for a visit and plan to have lunch if you like. There will be sandwiches and coffee as well as baked delicacies available. See you there!

NEW SANIBEL REPORTER

We're very glad to be able to tell you that Miss ETHYL SNYDER of Sanibel Island has decided to try her hand at reporting for THE ISLANDER. We know that you have enjoyed her columns in THE ISLANDER, and we feel sure you will enjoy her reporting, too.

If the Secretaries or Presidents of the various civic organizations on the Island would give Miss Snyder the minutes or news of their meetings, if Motel Managers would drop her a note when they have interesting guests, or when somebody finds a green and gold plaid olive, (We think we're kidding,) and if YOU would let her know when you have guests, we would greatly appreciate it.

Her phone number is GR 2-2021. Please call her before noon. We pick up ISLANDER copy on Saturday, so please get your news items to her by Friday or Saturday morning if you wish to have them in next week's ISLANDER.

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