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## SHELL FAIR CHAIRMAN ELECTED

At the last meeting of the Sanibel Community Association the following chairmen for the 1967 Shell Fair were elected: Bill Newman, House Chairman; Mrs. Claire Walter, Membership; Mrs. Marg Nix, Exhibits; Mrs. Hal Irwin, Driftwood; Tom Nix, Live Exhibit; Will Snyder, Art Exhibit; Mrs. James P. Glass, Shell Table.

Attention all members of the Sanibel Community Association: A hobby group is forming at the instigation of Mrs. Arthur Burt. Are you interested in learning to weave with pine needles, make baskets, dried arrangements, mobiles, or decorate with shells? Call Mrs. Burt or association president, Gerry Martin.

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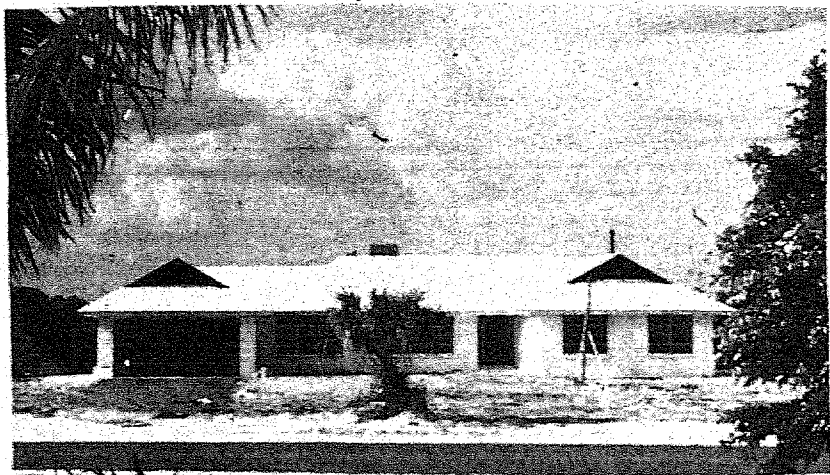


We have all kinds of visitors --- pretty, aren't they?

## SANCTUARY POINTERS

Charles LeBuff and Bob Sabitino have just finished installing Pete Pelican Pointers along the Ding Darling Sanctuary Canoe Trail. Charles made the signs and the Sanctuary Committee supplied the materials. The trail begins at Colin's Point (where a floating dock will be built) and continues on out and around. The Alice O'Brien Tower has also been completed; the construction was done by Karl Wightman.

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### WHO'S WHO AND WHY



This is a picture of the pink flamingo which was sighted in the Sanctuary near the bird tower. Marie Hutton took the picture with a telephoto lens approximately 100 yards from the only reported pink flamingo ever seen on Sanibel. Originally a color transparency, he had a black and white print made for the Islander.

#### COLONY NOTES

Back for their two-week vacations at The Colony are Mr. and Mrs. BENNETT WOOLLEY from Dallas, Texas, and Dr. and Mrs. WILLIAM RAEBECK and children from Bronxville, N.Y.

Mr. and Mrs. A.C. SAILSTAD, who have been enjoying an extended stay at their Colony cottage, Bali-Hi, will soon be returning to the island after a week's tour of Florida.

The old schoolhouse was rocking with old tunes recently when Ruth and Phillip Hunter had a square dance and discovered there is plenty of spring left in the step of sedentary Islanders. It was a special treat to dance to the Hunters' collection of Ed Durlacher records. Known as King of Square Dance, he did the calling on the American Common at the World's Fair.

Former Sanibel Elementary teacher, NANCY McCANN has just returned from her trip to Europe, and will no doubt have an interesting account for us next time.

ISABELL and DAN MASLAND of Camp Hill, Pa., who have a vacation home on Captiva Island, have been searching for a junonia for six years. At least, Mrs. Masland has, we were told by MARY K. CUNNINGHAM of Captiva. This last trip, Mary said, Isabell looked for one every day, dredged every day, hoped every day---without luck. Due to leave the Islands on Sunday, she thought she'd give it one last try Saturday morning---and found a junonia thirty feet from her Captiva doorstep at 6 a.m. in good condition!

What Mary didn't tell us (we had to find out from someone else) is that she herself felt so badly about Mrs. Masland's lack of luck, she gave her a junonia on Friday---which obviously turned the tide as a good luck shell!

#### CAPTIVA LIBRARY

Starting June 1, the Captiva Library will be open on Fridays only, 10 a.m. - noon.

#### HOLMES-BAILEY

Mrs. Adelaide Edgar Holmes and Mr. Francis Bailey were married on Friday, May 13, at the Palma Ceic Methodist Church in Tampa, in a wedding ceremony performed by The Rev. Richard E. Blanchard.

The bride's sister, Mrs. E. C. Davis of Clearwater was matron of honor; Sam Bailey was best man for his brother. Out-of-town guests included the bride's mother, Mrs. J.M. Edgar of Cape Cod, Mass., and Clearwater.

Before coming to the Islands, where she owns The Red Pelican on Sanibel, Mrs. Bailey was a free lance artist in New York, where she did a number of magazine covers, primarily in the sports car field, and created eight children's books. Her shop, which has been closed for the past few weeks, will reopen Memorial Day weekend and will be managed by Mrs. Helen P. Crode of Clearwater.

Mr. Bailey runs Bailey's Store which recently moved from its original building into the new Island Shopping Center on Periwinkle off the corner of Tarpon Bay Road.

#### DATES TO REMEMBER:

Legion Fish Fry, Sunday, May 29, noon till,  
Board meeting, Chamber of Commerce, 8 p.m., Tuesday, 31st.

#### BETTER LATE THAN NEVER

At least, we hope so. The Sanibel Island Trailer Resort's report of their very special and very much enjoyed annual luau got buried in the Islander office ---and we just found it, a month

or so after the party.

Anyhow, back at the luau---as usual, the recreation room teemed with activity and rang with laughter. The tables were piled high with barbecued pork and good food prepared in the South Seas (Pacific) manner---and attractively served amid an elaborate display of tropical decor. The party was highlighted by several authentic dances performed by Miss Coralie Webb.

Those attending were: Dr. and Mrs. Gregory Flores, Mr. and Mrs. G.T. Martin, Mr. and Mrs. James Pickens, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Webb, Miss Coralie Webb, Mr. and Mrs. Asa Steeves, Bud and Thelma Mitz, Mrs. Mary Cunningham, Mrs. Peggy Maloney, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Legel, Mrs. Enid Donahue, Mr. Joe Wightman, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Nix, Miss Carol Nix, Mrs. Dan Malone and daughter Elsie, Mr. and Mrs. James Donnelly, Gen. and Mrs. Kenneth Momeyer, Mr. and Mrs. William Alquist, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Gigstad, Mr. and Mrs. Don Modrall, Mr. Don Modrall, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Percy Braner, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh McGinnes, Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Guthrie, Mr. T. J. Corgan, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Baddis, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Rossman, Mr. and Mrs. George Bauder, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Goodman, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sellmann, Mr. and Mrs. Southwick Vietor, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Penberthy, Mrs. Elizabeth Marshall, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Ritchie, Mr. and Mrs. R.C. Stevens, Mr. and Mrs. Ned Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Brown, Mr. and Mrs. John Faust, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Ziegler, Gordon Tracey, Velna and John Ridge, Mrs. Anna Mansburger, Mrs. Mabel Deverick, and Mr. and Mrs. James Williams.

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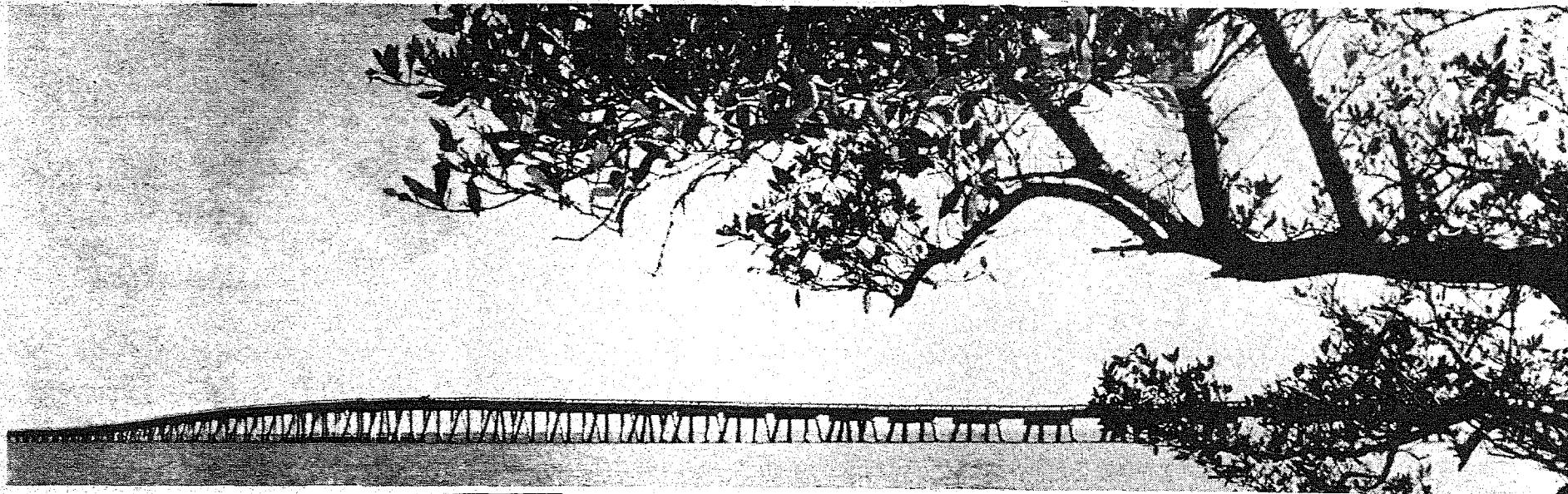
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Evening Worship. . . 7:30 p.m.  
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. . . . . 7:30 p.m.

**Weather Report**

2 p.m. readings

	TEMP	RAIN
Sun.	90	0
Mon.	89	0
Tues.	90	0
Wed.	88	0
Thurs.	89	0
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### WONDERFUL PEOPLE

Mr. and Mrs. Carl F. Koelmel of East Stroudsburg, Pa., wrote a letter extolling the virtues of three wonderful Island gentlemen, whom they met through Mary K. Cunningham of Captiva Island.

The gentlemen in question are Don Carpenter and Sam Nugent, with whom the Keelmels went shelling, and Buss Hammel, who offered to babysit with the Koelmels' two children, Mark, 9, and Debbie, 6. "Uncle Buss," as the children called him, took the children exploring over the Islands and then plied them with edible goodies till they could hardly move.

When they started into Uncle Buss's home, he gave the children the door key, which they just couldn't get to work. He suggested that perhaps they would have better success if they used the "magic words" (which were, of course, open sesame!) and the door swung open. The children just know it was because of the words.

When all had returned home, Uncle Buss sent the children a poem, which they and their parents hope you'll enjoy as much as they did.

Captiva - Sanibel  
A.D. 1966

Debbie and Mark and Buss are friends,  
Since they all came down with  
"Sanibel Bends,"  
The shells eagerly wait for  
Debbie to come,  
And the ones she rejects become  
terribly glum.

When the fish sight Mark they  
sigh "Woe is me"  
And hurriedly swim out to the  
deep sea,  
The fun we've had was good for  
all three  
Now we travel on --- so ---  
"Open Sesame!"  
/s/ Just Us.

In the letter which contained  
the copy of the poem, Mrs.  
Keelmel said "This is our  
fourth year here on the Islands

and each time we arrange to  
be here when Uncle Buss is  
vacationing here also. He  
greeted our youngsters this  
year with a big hug for each  
and, of course, his extra  
'goodies' that he always has to  
hand out.

"But most of all are the  
interesting tid-bits which he has  
to impart to the children, which  
are giving them a wealth of  
knowledge; for this man has such  
a beautiful soul and exceptional  
keen mind, not to mention the  
warmth and friendliness he con-  
stantly radiates..."

### SANIBEL OLD DAYS

Back during the winter season, the *Islander* printed a lovely story about the house now occupied by Dotti Booker, and her shop, Dotti's of Sanibel. Dotti later passed on to us a letter written to her by Mrs. William Muir of Paris, Ontario, Canada, who use to live in that very same house.

After writing that she had wondered about the new owners, she said she had a few corrections for the story.

"My father," she wrote, "took up the homestead in the fall (or summer) of 1890 and the house was completed about a year later. He also built Tarpon Bay Road.

"His family when he came here consisted of four teen-aged children and a new wife. (Not so new though, as they were married in 1888.) My brother and I were born after the family got settled on the Island.

"My father sold it to the Bruers in 1913... We got \$6,000 for the house (in not too good condition) surrounded by 160 acres of finest farmland. There were three tenant houses on the place.

"My husband and I expect to be in Fort Myers in January and February of 1967. I have many notes on the early history of the Island residents and I hope to live long enough to write up the history..."

We hope she does, too --- it would be fascinating reading.

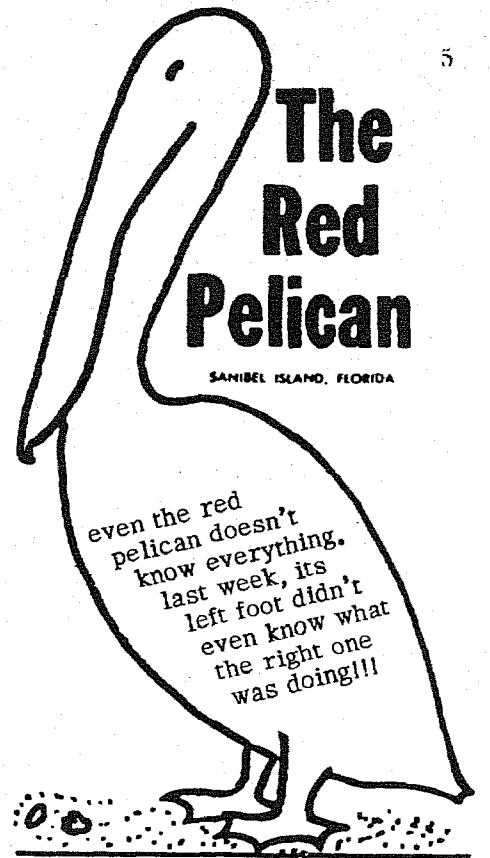
### NEW LEGION OFFICERS

The newly elected Sanibel-Captiva American Legion Post officers are Commander, Joe Wightman, First Vice Commander, Ray Booth, Second V. C., Ken Bryant, Adjutant, Marshall Holtz, Finance, Tom Nix, Chaplain, Glenn Rhodes, Service Officer, John Ridge, Historian, Richard Wombwell, Sgts. at Arms, Bill Way and Allan Nave.

Installation of the new officers will take place Saturday, June 25, at a covered dish dinner at the Legion Home at 6:30. This will be a joint installation with the Auxiliary officers.

### GIRL SCOUT NOTES

Mary Aleck's Girl Scouts have had a busy season of woodcraft and homemaking and are now becoming aware of civic responsibility. Their most recent project has been helping Father Madden collect donations for the Lee County Humane Society and learning how this money is spent.



### LIBRARY FOOTNOTES

A group of Sanibel Library volunteers went to Punta Gorda Tuesday. Mrs. Tom Musson, Miss Joyce White, Mrs. Dorothy Stafford, Mrs. Art Swanson, Mrs. Richard Fuller and Mrs. James Pickens attended the all-day workshop of in-service training classes for local staff members for reference service in public libraries. Miss Elizabeth Cole, public library consultant of Florida State Library, Tallahassee, conducted the classes.

Another good friend has found our library. Thanks to Mr. George S. Winterbotham, a new Island resident, the library is now receiving the *Wall Street Journal*.

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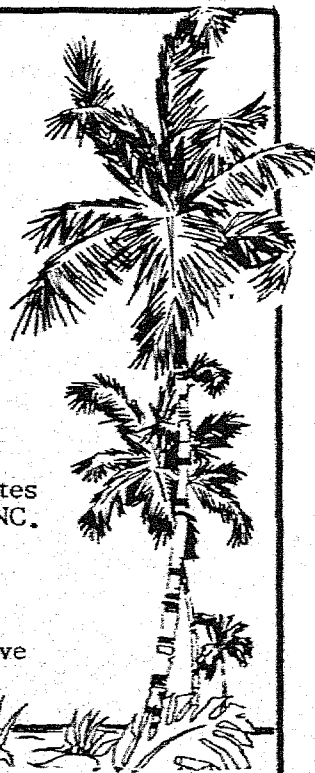
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One becomes well acquainted with many characters, Mexican and U.S.A.ers (not the least of whom are the author and his family---Oscar is definitely a member) and a true flavor of our neighbor to the south.

"To Mexico With Love" is

NOT the usual run-of-the-mill travel book, but if you're venturing southwards, we imagine it would be a good idea to have it handy for the useful hints on restaurants and places to go---if you're not planning to go to Mexico, the book would still be fun to read.

But whether you want to go to Mexico or not, when you finish "To Mexico With Love," you will probably want to meet and know the author, his wife and his car. We do.

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