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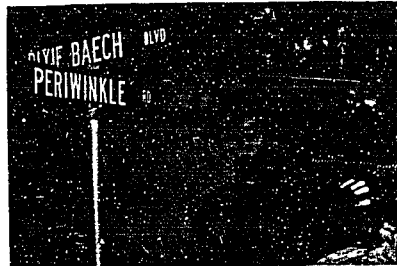
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CHINESE AUCTION AT FLORENTINE BENEFIT

The Florentine Benefit on February 14th promises to be one of the outstanding social events of the winter season for Sanibel and Captiva. It will be held at the new Casa Ybel Auditorium at 8:15 p.m., at which time an interesting program will be presented. Two movie shorts will be shown followed by a presentation of some of Mario Huton's beautiful photographs of the islands, a recent one-man show of which was held at the Seahorse Art Gallery, plus a "Chinese Auction" of pictures. A number of works of art have been donated by island artists for the benefit, the entire proceeds of which will be sent to the City of Florence, Italy, to help in the restoration of the priceless antiquities of painting, sculpture and literature that were damaged in the disastrous flood of November 4th of last year. It is estimated that twenty million dollars and



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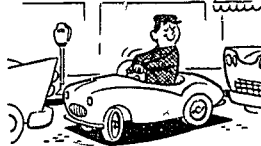
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The Capt. and First Mate of the Seven Seas Shop spent two days at Miami Beach at the Southern Apparel Exhibitor Show at the Convention Hall. They report a very successful buying spree.

Mr. and Mrs. ALBERT VREELAND, former Congressman from New Jersey, are staying at Sea Horse Gulf Cottages.

Also at the cottages are Mr. and Mrs. M'LVIN F. SINN and their son and daughter. They came from the American Embassy in Santiago, Chile.

BILL and DODDIE HAMAN of Saint Paul, Minnesota, had to fight their way to Sanibel this year, but they made it. In spite of lots of snow, the Hamans came "aboard" early last week and are now settled down in the Evans' home on Gulf Drive.

Mr. and Mrs. WILLIAM BUSH from Cincinnati, Ohio, are back at Margaret Walker's cottage for their third visit. Bill is our catching snook and reds.

Mr. and Mrs. GENE HIRON of New Jersey, are now residing at Tall Pines Apt. on Seagrass Lane until the middle of March.

A meeting of Alcoholics Anonymous will be held at St. Michael's and All Angels' Episcopal Church at 8 p.m., Friday nights. For information call GR 23121.

PRISCILLA MURPHY, Realtor, reports three sales this week. The Brewster house on Wording Point was sold by Mrs. FRED BREWSTER of Brooklyn, N.Y., to Miss NANCY PALMER and Dr. LECLAIR BISSELL, N.Y., N.Y. A gulf front residential lot in Charcaux-sur-Mer was sold by Mr. and Mrs. JOHN RUSSELL DALE of Redington Shores, Fla., to Mr. and Mrs. RUSSELL E. KRAFT of Fort Lauderdale, Fla. A lot in Palm Lake Sub-division was sold by Mr. and Mrs. FRANK TRENT of Moriches, New York, to Mr. and Mrs. OAVD H. MAGILL of Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. ROBERT FOLEY of Wichita, Kansas, are staying at Admiral and Mrs. Cardenza's home. The Mooring, in Sanibel Isles for the month of February.

Guests of MISS BEA MCKIBBIN, who is renting Dick and Mary Wombwell's new A-frame cottage for the season, are Mr. and Mrs. LUIS G. BUISCH, Sr., of Homell, New York. The Buisches purchased a lot in the Rocks Subdivision last year.

Sanibel's own ELISE MALONE of Elsie Malone's Specimen Sea Shell Shop will be one of the judges of the scientific section of the Naples Shell Show, which will be held February 17, 18 and 19 at the Woman's Club in Naples. Co-judge with Elsie will be Dr. DONALD MCORE of the University of Miami, who was one of the judges of the Sanibel Shell Fair in 1966.

GRACE MARIE and MARVIN CHASE from Katonah, New York, friends of Mr. and Mrs. "B-Hive"—are here for a month's stay. The Chases are well known showers of Labrador retrievers.

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LARRY BRUNO, who's building the new Jolly Roger Motel with his partner, Dr. NICK IPPOLITO, flew to Floral Park, N.Y., last week. He's driving back to Sanibel with Mrs. Bruno, four children, his mother-in-law and brother in the final move to make his home here. Welcome to the islands to all the Brunos.

Junonia finders in the expert class are Mr. and Mrs. DON MCNEAL, Scott City, Kansas. They are staying at Hiers for their fifth season and have found a Junonia each year. This season, right on schedule, they found another—right in front of Hiers, and according to reports, one of the most beautiful specimens picked up in recent years. Incidentally, TIM HUNTER, of Island Inn, advises that his Junonia find, reported as his first, was actually the second. His "first" was last April.

Copies of the proposed revision of the Florida State Constitution are now available, courtesy of the Sanibel-Captiva Democratic Club. Any island voter who wishes may obtain a copy by dropping a card to the Club, requesting same, or phone GREENleaf 2-4501, give your name and address and ask that a copy be sent to you. It will be mailed to you free of charge. If you're a member of the Club, you will receive a copy in the near future, so just be patient.

Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors had a brief regular monthly meeting, Monday, January 30th. Treasurer's report indicated the Chamber had improved its financial position substantially. Full report, of course, will be made at the



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April annual meeting. The Board also reviewed the proposed Golf and Country Club project, and made several recommendations to the Country Club Committee.

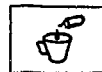
Mrs. BARTLETT TRACY of Englewood, Fla., a well-known writer and art teacher, will conduct a course of five painting classes for beginners and advanced students starting on Wednesday, February 15 from 9:30 a.m. till 12 noon, at the Saint Michael's parish house. Several vacancies are still open. Anyone interested in taking the course can call Mrs. PAUL McCULLOCH at 2-5352.

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JOHN CIMATO, age 10, caught the biggest fish of his fishing career, a two pound sheepshead, in the bay waters in front of his home on Woodring Point recently.

JOSEPH CIMATO is home again after a three day stay at High Acres General Hospital where he had surgical work done on his knee which was injured while playing a high school football game.

Guests of Dr. and Mrs. ELMER SEVERINGHAUS, Captiva Island, left Friday after a week's visit. It was their first on Captiva. They were The Rev. and Mrs. EDWARD WALKER and Mrs. ARCHIBOLD HUGH of Brookfield Center, Connecticut. Their son EDWIN SEVERINGHAUS was with his parents for a week at Christmas. The son was quite thrilled at the bird count and went along on the count. The other people were quite thrilled about the island, especially the shelling and the birding. They also did some boating and fishing.

LARRY BRUNO says the new motel being constructed on the beachfront on Gulf Drive should be ready for occupancy under the name Jolly Roger by April first. Larry is in full charge of the building operations.

Mrs. ELLIS K. REINACH from New York City is visiting Mr. and Mrs. LEON R. LEVY of Tradewinds. Mrs. Reinach has been to Sanibel before and loves the islands.

The tiki who guards the B-Hive is looking particularly smug again these days since he knows that B-Hive customers can buy delicious steaks and other choice meats in the shop.

TO THE ISLANDER

As a so-journer on Sanibel for a few weeks I have enjoyed your beautiful beaches, trees, flowers, etc. You have wonderful facilities for hiking, eating, fishing, etc., but no golf course. Your paper comments on a golf course and invites opinions. It is my observation that many people on Sanibel will never see 50, 60, and some 70 year anniversary again. Therefore, it seems to me that a three par golf course would be a welcome addition to your island's many attractions. I mention "three par" for the reason that green fees enter into peoples' ability to play and enjoy golf. A three par course can be walked by most any golfer, no need for expensive carts, high fees, etc. These delightful type courses are being built and enjoyed the country over. Therefore, I suggest you investigate a three par course before going people all excited over a so-called championship layout as I have heard mentioned by several folks in discussing Sanibel's golf course needs.

/s/ George Dixon.

TO THE ISLANDER

An interested parties living away from the islands, we would like to have more information about the weekly weather—we know it can't be perfect all the time but we'd like to know about it and I think your other subscribers would, too. Of course, pretty soon it won't make any difference because we hope in July to move permanently on to the island of Sanibel.

/s/ Jeanne B. Walker, ED. NOTE: We've had a little fog, not much rain, wonderful sunshine. We'll try to let you know what weather we are having, but unless we mention it, you can know that it is perfect.

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The "Chinese Auction" may require some explanation for those who have never seen one. It will be conducted by a "Chinese Auctioneer" who is an island resident, and it will be preceded by a drawing for two Door Prizes of Mr. Huston's photographs. Tickets are numbered and the stubs will be deposited in a barrel and drawn out for the lucky winners.

In the "Chinese Auction," an alarm clock is set for an interval known only to the Chairman of the Benefit, Mr. Huston. The "Auction" proceeds until the bell rings, at which point the last bidder wins a painting.

If a bidder is astute enough and can guess when the bell will ring, he can pick up a valuable painting at a very low price.

Among the paintings to be so auctioned will be "Le Chateau de Lude," a watercolor by Hugo Abachach, who recently won Best-in-Show at the Cape Coral National Show, "Hearts and Flowers," a hand-colored lithograph, by Maybelle Stamper, the \$2000.00 grand prize winner of the 1965 Sears Show-of-Winners, Dodi Booth, who won "Best in Show in Oils" at the recent Cape Coral Show, "Captiva Morning," by Helene Sparks, a watercolor by the Honorable Mention winner at the Cape Coral Show, "Swatchbird," by Leon R. Levy, who won First Prize for watercolor in the 1965 Sears show and Second Prize for Mixed Media in the 1966 show, "Sanibel Mood," by Col. J.W. Snyder, a fish rubbing by Jane Bantoff, and by Dorothy Causey, a driftwood mobile by Pinard Mills, and other works.

Please note that the Door Prizes will be awarded only to those in attendance.

Tickets are available at stores and from individual committee members, and will also be sold at the door on the evening of the benefit.

The Committee Chairman wishes to thank Mr. Howard Dayton and Mr. Lee Roy Friday for their generosity and cooperation in donating the use of the Auditorium and in the printing of the tickets for the benefit, free of charge. These generous gestures added immeasurably to the success of the undertaking, as did the hard and faithful work of the many committee members who sold tickets and whose enthusiasm guaranteed its success.

SANIBEL-CAPTIVA P.T.A.

The meeting of the Sanibel-Captiva P.T.A. Association, scheduled for Tuesday, February 14, has been cancelled in order not to conflict with a gala benefit scheduled for the same night at Casa Ybel on Sanibel for the Florentine Relief Fund, Inc., established to give aid to thousands suffering from floods in Florence, Italy, and other Italian cities, as well as to provide some financial assistance to restore art treasures damaged by flood waters. The next P.T.A. meeting will be held in March on a date to be announced.

SANIBEL NATURE TOUR

Sanibel and a nature tour conducted by Miss Jeanne Hayes was the subject of a column under title Ozark Trails written by Virginia Whitman in the Sunday News & Leader of Springfield, Mo., on January 22 last. Miss Whitman was on the island recently and told of the bird life wonders to be encountered in the Ding Darling refuge under the guidance of Miss Hayes, Miss Hayes is the author of "Sanibel and Captiva Bird Guide," a loose-leaf manual with black and white illustrations and descriptions of 70 of the birds to be seen here.

CORRECTION

The next scheduled Audubon program for February 19 will be "Sights and Sounds of the African Wilds" filmed and narrated by G. Stuart Keith, and not the film program previously announced in the Islander.

TEEN CLUB

It is very important for the future of the Sanibel-Captiva Teen Club for all interested parents and Islanders to attend a joint meeting with the teen-agers. This meeting will be held Friday, February 10, at 8:30 at the American Legion Hall.

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The Rev. and Mrs. Samuel H. Edsell of Geneva, New York, went fishing with Bob Sabarino and caught all these fish. Looks like they had an enjoyable trip. The Edsells are staying at the Estak Cottage on Sanibel.

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The Question Asked This Week Was: If you were able to live your whole life up to now over again, exactly the same and with all the good and the bad, would you want to do so?

Mr. Benjamin Dean, Ret. Wool Merchant, Sanibel: "Yes, with the same conditions and circumstances I would be happy to repeat my life again. We had some very poor times but mostly my life was pretty good."

Mrs. Anne Cimato, Woodring Point, Sanibel: "Not when I came to Florida in 1948 I should have landed on Sanibel first. My childhood memories are of boating and waterfront and if I go back I'd have to repeat years of inland living which I don't need now."

Mrs. Dorothy Andolina, Bartender, Sanibel: "No, there are too many things I wouldn't want to do again."

Mrs. James Pickens, Real Estate Saleslady, Sanibel: "Why of course! I've enjoyed my life. I have found my marriage, my work and my family wonderful experiences."

Mr. Donald Simonds, Ret. Manufacturer, Sanibel: "Yes and no, I would like to eliminate the errors and it would be a happier life."

Mr. Robert Chaplin, Sanibel and Lexington, Kentucky: "No, I'm a great believer in people having memories to reflect on, but I feel that the most important time in a person's life is the next moment and what you do with it is what counts."

Mrs. Gertrude Webb, Sanibel: "I think so, yes, I think I'd like to relive the experiences I've had, even the difficult parts."

Mr. George Winterbotham, Chamber, Sanibel: "Hell no!"

Mrs. Aquila Hendry, Waitress, Sanibel: "Yes, even though I've had trials and tribulations life has had its rewards and as I see it we were not put in this world with the promise of anything more than food and enjoyment. So I would want to do it all over again if I could."

Mr. Ray Kennett, S. Louis Missouri, Lab Technician: "Sure I would, I have no regrets and I'd be glad to live my life over again as it has been in the past—especially since I'd get the same lovely wife."

(Interviewer's note and Mrs. Kennett wasn't even present.)

Mr. Bart Stiffler, Melody Apartments & McLane, Va., Ret. Sales Mgr.: "No, I say no because I think with age you gain a different viewpoint on things through experience."

Mr. Arthur Brewer, Glenwood, Illinois, Ret. Accountant: "I'd be up to now a fine life but I really would not choose to do it over again even if I could. I've lived this one and I would be interested when the time comes to see what the next one is like."

Mrs. Roy Peppers, Elmhurst, Illinois: "I guess it would not be too bad to do it all over again. I've had some pretty wonderful times."

REMINDER

The Blue Circle bandage rolling group will meet at The Barnacle, Mrs. Parker Mills house on Captiva, Monday, Feb. 6, from 2:30 to 4:30. Why not stop by? Bring an old sheet if you have one.

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Mrs. LESTER JONES of Woodring Point has returned to Sanibel from Lee Memorial Hospital and is doing nicely.

CAPTIVA CIVIC ASSOCIATION

The Captiva Civic Association held a general meeting on Thurs., Jan. 19, 1967, to vote for new members to the Board of Governors to replace outgoing members. They were: Mrs. William S. Dennis, Mrs. Maxwell Havford, Mr. Donald Reese, and Mr. Earl Lillie.

The election of officers were, Mr. Paul Everett, president, Mr. Hervey Roberts, vice-president, Mr. Earl Lillie, treasurer, and Miss Josephine Reddy, secretary.

RACOONS

by Ethel Snyder

The racoon has a curious habit of washing its food before eating it. A thickly built animal with a ten inch bushy tail which is white ringed, its coat is long coarse grayish brown hair, and it has short ears.

They are omnivorous and feed upon mice, small birds, bird eggs, frogs, fish, etc. They also love ripe fruit. They are (cont'd next column)



THE LATE CHRISTOPHER BEAN

When "The Late Christopher Bean" opens at The Pirate Playhouse next Saturday night, art critics, art forgers, art dealers and artists, good and bad will be among the interesting characters under the lights.

"The Late Christopher Bean" will introduce four actors and one technician from Fort Myers Beach Melanie Noden in the demanding role of Mrs. Haggert, Jolly Hollingsworth as her daughter Ada, Haggert Brinkworth as The New York Times art critic, Arthur Johnson as the aspiring young artist, and June Brinkworth as stage manager. Sanibelites, familiar to Pirate Playhouse opening night audiences, in the play are Roy Bazire and Scotty Gale. A newcomer is Kenan Fishburne. It is a splendid cast and provides excellent support for the Hunters, Ruth and Philip.

"The Late Christopher Bean" by Sidney Howard, based on "Pierrot Lunaire" by Rene Fauchois, will play February 11 and Feb. 19, Box office GR 2-3943.

ART SHOW WINNERS

Yesterday the awards in the third Annual Festival of Art in Fort Myers were announced and two Sanibel residents were among the winners. Leon Levy took first in Mixed Media with his "Autumn Woods" while Gardner Willman won the third award in oils for his "Purman's Cove." The Festival opened yesterday and runs till Feb. 11 in the Edison Mall where the winning paintings are displayed. It's sponsored by the Art Council of Southwest Florida, Sears Roebuck and local Art Leagues.

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strictly nocturnal. They haunt the banks of streams and ponds. They are good swimmers but cannot swim under water. From four to six babies are born at a time, and the young stay under the mother's care for a year. Racoons live all over the United States.

There used to be many racoons on Sanibel and one wonders how they got over here in the first place. They loved fruit, at least ripe papayas. They sampled the fruit when it started to turn ripe. If you were growing papayas it was a race to see who got them. Since they came in at night after you had gone to bed they had the jump on the papayas!

For the last two or three years there haven't been any racoons around. Where have they gone? Some ripe papayas have been hanging safely on trees in my yard until they are ripe enough to eat with not a nibble from a racoon. Of course it wouldn't be a nibble! They ate the entire melon and left a stem hanging on the tree!

It is sad to have a species just disappear from our midst. The forests and woods are being cleared rapidly. One hopes they are finding suitable homes in the reserves set aside for them. Just how could one send an invitation to a family of racoons to come and eat some luscious ripe papayas ready to eat, hanging on my tree? I have a vivid memory of a family of them who came years ago without any invitation and ate the fruit, ripe on the trees, and all came up on the back porch and looked us over when the door was opened, letting the light shine on them. My brother visiting from Miami Beach would not believe that racoons came up on the porch, but there they were!

SPECIAL PAINTINGS FOR "THE LATE CHRISTOPHER BEAN"

Dodi Booth, prize winner in the Cape Coral Art Show has made a special painting for this charming play, "The Late Christopher Bean," now at The Pirate Playhouse on Sanibel Island, "The Hill Pasture." It will be used along with a portrait by the late famous Austrian sculptor-painter, Mme. Lilly Pona. Prop pictures for this comedy were made by Scotty Gale, Ed Legel and Priscilla Murphy.

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Mr. Robert Taylor of Flint, Michigan, had good luck fishing with Bob Sabatino, Taylor is staying at the Shell Basket Cottage.

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SHELL TABLE SCHEDULE

Just in case you haven't had a chance to see the beautiful shell table that will go to some lucky person at the 1967 Sanibel Shell Fair, here's a schedule of places that will have it on display for the coming weeks

- Feb 9,10 Island Bakery, Sanibel
- Feb. 11, Dotti's, Sanibel
- Feb 12 Bailey's Store, Sanibel
- Feb 13,13 Seahorae Shop, Sanibel
- Feb. 15,16,17,18, Bailey's Store, Sanibel
- Feb. 19 B-Hive, Sanibel
- Feb. 20, Glory-of-the-Sea, Sanibel
- Feb. 21,22 Friday's House of Treasures, Sanibel



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