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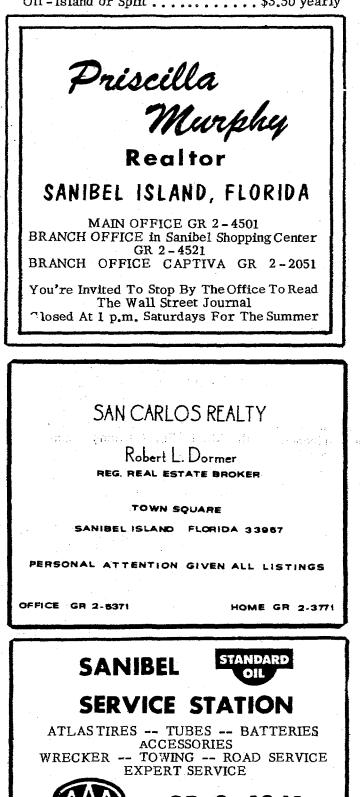
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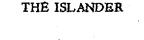
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SUBSCRIPTIONS







ST. MICHAEL'S AND ALL ANGELS EPISCOPAL CHURCH The Rev. T.A. Madden, Vicar SUNDAY:

SANIBEL COMMUNITY CHURCH 50th Anniversary Year Dr. H.E. Sheely Morning Worship. ..11:00 a.m. Sunday School.9:30 a.m.

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FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH The Rev. Arthur Sims, Pastor SUNDAY: Sunday School 10 a.m. Morning Worship . . . 11 a.m. Training Union . . . 6:30 p.m. Evening Worship . . . 7:30 p.m. WEDNESDAY: Prayer Meeting & Bible Study

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CAPTIVA The Rev. T. Guthrie Speers SUNDAY:

Worship 11:00 a.m.

A.A. MEETING

An open 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 2-3121.

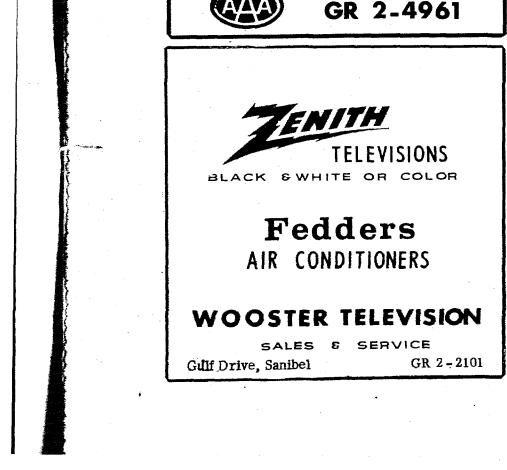


ISLAND ACTIVITIES

Sanibel Community Association, Inc., Sanibel Community House -- 1st Tuesday, 6:30 p.m.

Sanibel-Captiva Teen Club, Sanibel Community House -- Saturday, 8 p.m.





Game Night, Sanibel Community House -- Fridays, 8 p.m.

American Legion Post 123, American Legion Home -- 2nd Tuesday, 8 p.m.

American Legion Auxiliary, Members Homes -- 2nd Mondays, 8 p.m. Bingo Murex, American Legion Home -- Wednesdays, 8:30 p.m. (No Minors)

Ladies' Guild, Sanibel Community Church, Members Homes --3rd Thursday, 8 p.m.

There may be others that we have missed. If so please let us know.

The Episcopal Church women of St. Michael's will meet the third Thursday in the church school room at 8 p.m. BRUNCH - LUNCH HOT PLATTERS - TAKE - OUT S GR 2 - 3321 DAILY 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. EXCEPT TUESDAY SUNDAY 1 to 7 GR 2 - 2751 GR 2 - 2751 COCODULT Restaurant OPEN: 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. 7 DAYS A WEEK Corner of Tarpon Bay Rd. & Sanibel Blvd.

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WHO'S WHO AND WH

Visiting in their new home on Gulf Drive are Mr. and Mrs. GEORGE CANTOR of Stamford, Conn. A report from Mr. and Mrs. B.K. TREMAINE of Westtown, Conn., advises they are going to Bermuda for the holidays and hope to be in residence heir new gulf front home on Gulf Drive about April 1.

Mrs. E.M. DURSTINE flew in from Tampa last Sunday to get the Durstine's new home on Sanibel's gulf front ready for an invasion by the entire family for the Christmas holidays. Boxes of Christmas gifts have been pouring into the Sanibel postoffice for the family's first holiday get-together on the Island.

ONE WAY TO RETIRE

Last week was a typical one for Mario Hutton, the "retired" Islander. On five successive days he: attended the opening of the Art League Exhibit on Captiva, featuring some of his color photos; gave a "photoverse" show attended by over 300 people at the Women's Club in Naples; conducted a slide program for the Science Club of Lake Cypress High; presided at the first meeting of the Sanibel-Captiva Audubon; wrote his December quota of five monthly scripts for the Voice of America. On the sixth day, as has become a habit (or "a disease," he puts it), he got away it all, to go fishing on the Blue Heron. He told us with a straight face that in order to enjoy a day of complete relaxation he managed NOT to win the jackpot.

Mr. and Mrs. HENRY PETERS of Higgins Lake, Mich., have returned to Beachview for their 7th year and have with them for six weeks their daughter, Mrs. EDWARD KOZ-LOWSKI, and young daughter, ANN. They are all looking forward to their cousins, Mr. and Mrs. DONALD MENGE of Warren, Mich., arriving this week as they are all planning some extensive fishing and shelling trips with guide Belton Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. SPENCER HARRIS of Atlanta, Ga., also are spending their annual visit and have their daughter and sonin-law and family, Mr. and Mrs. SYDNEY E. SMITH and SUSAN, WADE and PEGGY LYNN visiting for a short stay.

ing for a short stay. Mr. and Mrs. RALPH C. LEE of Carmel, Ind., spending their annual three week vacation were quite pleased to find three bumperless whelks.

Mr. and Mrs. PASI J. RU-TANEN and two sons now living in McLean, Virginia, and who is a Finnish news Correspondent with Finnish Television and Radio Broadcasting Co., have thoroughly enjoyed two weeks on our Islands.

"NOAH'S ARK"

The Thrift Shop of St. Michael's and All Angels Church will be open for business on Thursday, Dec. 21, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The shop is in the new building beside the church and will be known as Noah's Ark.

Come by and do your last minute Christmas shopping. There are many exciting bargains.

LIBRARY TO SELL DUPLICATE BOOKS

Readers old and young will have an opportunity to buy books from the Sanibel Public Library, and for the support of the library. The sale will be held in front of Bailey's General Store in the Shopping Center from 9:00 a.m. to noon on Saturday, December 16.

The books to be put on sale are duplicates of books already on the shelves. Friends who donate books to the library frequently duplicate those already on hand, and these are being sold to provide money for new titles. Library officials report that the budget for new books is so thin as to be practically invisible. The sale is being held to nourish that budget. The Date: Saturday, Dec. 16

The Time: 9 a.m. to Noon The Place: Bailey's Store.

Priscilla Murphy Realtor reports the sale of a parcel of land in Section 20-46-22 by Mr. and Mrs. A.E. Roberts and Mr. and Mrs. C.H. Roberts of Philadelphia, Penna., to Jamestown Beachview, Inc., of Jamestown, New York.

NORM and ROSE CHAM-BERS and ROY BAZIRE drove to Boca Raton last week to visit FRANK and SHIRLEY JURISCH and inspect their new Winterhalter Inn. Opening January 15, the seven story luxury apartment building has 70 units, all with private balconies.

The 11/4 million dollar resort includes private gulf beach, frontage on the Intracoastal Waterway as well with 200 feet of dockage, fresh water pool, putting green, patio, shuffleboard, recreation room, barbecue facilities. Restaurant is to be added later. The Jurisches had spent 10 months on Sanibel in 1965-66 researching a planned motel complex with golf course.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH PARTY

The Episcopal Church women of St. Michael's will hold their annual Christmas party on December 21, Thursday, at 8 p.m. in the Sunday School room.



NEW FLAG AT PIRATE PLAYHOUSE

Susan Karr presented the Pirate Playhouse with a beautiful new Old Glory which will fly from the schoolhouse flagpole for the opening of My Three Angels on Dec. 22.

This charming comedy by the Spewaks boasts a fine cast: Jim Maguire, Kenan Fishburne, Timothy Gault, Arthur Orloff, Robert Dormer, Roy Bazire, Ruth and Philip Hunter who also directs and a new actor and actress this season, Gene Karr and Gale Maguire. Molly Orloff is stage manager.

The gift of the flag to the Pirate Playhouse will mean that all "Rent" collected for the new poster advertising wall will go to feed the hungry through the Meals For Millions Foundation, Santa Monica, California.

"My Three Angels" will have an 8:15 Curtain, Box Office GR 2-3943.



CANOEING ON THE ISLANDS by rainer esslen

If you know how to handle a canoe, you can discover two worlds that are completely different from the shelling-beach scenery of Sanibel-Captiva and far less well known.

One is the Sanibel River, a meandering waterway which, with a few interruptions, runs the full length of the Island from the area behind the American Legion building to the tip near the lighthouse, where it has been widened and deepened for sea going boats. The other world consists of the bayous and mudflats on the bayside of the Islands. While the world of the bayous has received some long-range protection through the creation of the Ding Darling sanctuary, the land



along the Sanibel River is privately owned, and may one day be "developed," as in fact it has been along the lower end of the river. Yet in its best sections the Sanibel River offers a scenery as mysterious as a distant jungle stream in Africa, with impenetrable vegetation bordering the banks, alligator eyes staring at you from black unfathomable waters, and nosey herons with raucous shrieks alerting the animal world to your coming.

There are three sections of the river worth exploring. One stretches from the Tarpon Bay Road to the Casa Ybel Road, and it can be entered from either side. It is distinguished by centipeded mangrove thickets, some decorated with beards of Spanish moss, innumerable anhingas perching on swaying branches to dry their wings, and probably the

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exposed parts of your body with insect repellent, you may be rewarded by seeing them all come back one by one.

The third section of the river is best entered at Rabbit Road, heading northwest. You may have to fight your way through a lot of cattails at first, but you will encounter worthwhile new vistas at every bend of the river. Formerly, it was possible to paddle a canoe without obstacle as far as the road leading to the Chateau sur Mer development, close to which there is another shallow pond full of bird life. Presently, however, several dirt roads stop your progress about a mile downriver---unless you want to portage the canoe. According to Charles Le Buff, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Officer for Sanibel, the roads are put in only temporarily to allow the Mosquito Control Department to dig some more drainage ditches. When the work is finished, the plugged waterways will be "unplugged" again. Incidentally, Mr. Le Buff also points out that the work of the Mosquito Control Department has resulted in a higher and more stable water level throughout the Sanibe. River water system, greatly enhancing fish and bird life.

On the bayside, some excellent canoe trips can be started from the road running through the Ding Darling sanctuary. In fact, an "official" canoeing route is staked out by markers with a white pelican whose one wing points in the direction the about six-mile circular course runs. However, according to Mr. Le Buff, the route may be changed in the future. At the moment, it takes you for quite a distance through the ditch running alongside the road and then it turns off through the mangrove-lined bayous, where you will encounter pelicans, cormorants, wood storks, herons, ibises and dozens of other water birds. Once you get away from the road, you may be better off with the official Nautical Chart 856 SC, which can be purchased in Fort Myers. Some of the markers have lost their pointing pelican, and the mangrove





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SHELL CLUB MEETING

The Sanibel-Captiva Shell Club will meet at the Sanibel Community House Dec. 18 at 8 p.m. The program will be "Batangas Bonanza" slides and comments by Jane Cate on Philippine shelling. As fun part of the evening there will be a shell exchange. Shell value if bought to be \$1.00 value.

Visitors welcome.

The Sanibel and Captiva Shell Club as well as many residents of the Islands have long been concerned about the quantity of live shells that are being taken, and it has always been "Take all the dead shells you want, but leave the live ones to reproduce." Our live shells are being taken at an alarming rate. If this continues our beds of live shells will become depleted. As many of our "Guests" come to the Islands because they are they best in the Western Hemisphere we in time will lose this distinction. The Sanibel-Captiva Shell Club has had 50,000 fliers printed of the Conservation Poster in the Chamber of Commerce Building. We ask the cooperation of all businesses on the Islands to help distribute them. If motels will post one in each unit, and give one to each guest as they register; if the stores and shops will place them so customers can pick them up and if the Chamber of Commerce will give them out to transients we should cover about every one who comes to the Islands to shell. These fliers will be available at the Chamber of Commerce, Mary Aleck's Beauty Shop, Bernice McCaul's Driftwood Shop, the Harvey Meyers and Glory of the Sea. Any Shell Club member will be blad to deliver them to any business if they cannot arrange to pick them up.

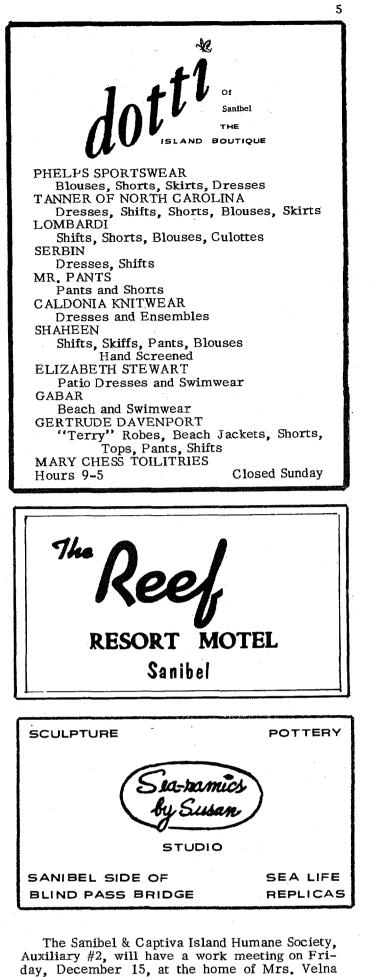
We have Fish and Game laws to protect our Wildlife, let's all get together Conservationwise and save our shells.

TURN SIGNAL USE URGED

TALLAHASSEE -- In response to many inquiries still being received about the use of turn signals, Colonel H.N. Kirkman, Director of the Department of Public Safety, said today, "We encourage all drivers to signal every time they change lanes or pull out to pass another vehicle.

The veteran Florida Highway Patrol Commander said many people are still uncertain about the present law, but he pointed to the recent ruling by Attorney General Earl Faircloth that the use of turn signals for changing lanes is legal.

Kirkman concluded, "Such a signal to let other drivers your intentions is good defensive driving, but be sure to turn off your signal when you have completed the maneuver.'



Ridge to get ready for the Christmas sale for the benefit of the animals. All members are urged to come and bring with them their suggestions and models for articles to be made, as well as the articles they have already made. Any non-members who have anything that they would like to contribute, call either Velna Ridge or Peggy Maloney.

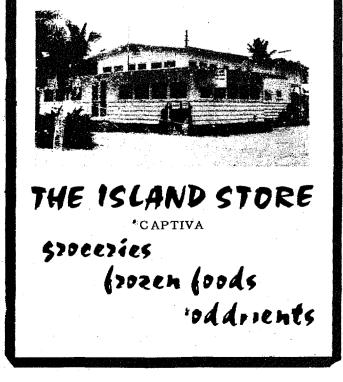
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SANIBEL POST OFFICE

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JOHN E. SEMMES

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John Semmes brought his wife, his daughter and her three children, his daughter-in-law and her child and her father to Tween Waters Inn the last winter of World War II.

He bought property the next winter in the Turner Estate and built one of the first cottages there. He and his wife lived there ten or twelve years and he certainly left a notable mark on the Islands. He was largely responsible for the paved road from Ferry Dock to Captiva's store. He, by inviting Bishop and Mrs. Wm. Remington to spend a winter with him and his wife, was responsible for reopening and rejuvenating our Chapel by the Sea and getting the Islanders interested again. I am quite sure he had a great deal to do with the organization of the Captiva Civic Association. In fact there was no civic effort in which he was not helpful and interested. He was much loved, admired and respected by all who ever knew him. After several years of retirement he returned to Baltimore and to a semi-active life of an attorney and Counsel,

He also was very active in his northern home in community service and in his lifetime left a notable mark on the history of Baltimore and of Maryland in this century. He was particularly influential in education, as chairman of a committee that

arranged negotiations for Morgan College to become part of the State system, as chairman of a commission reporting to the Legislature on higher education in Maryland and for many years as a member of the board of regents of the University of Maryland. In another field, he was head of the board that planned the establishment of what is now Friendship International Airport, and maintained an intense concern over the progress of that enterprise; and this by no means completes the list of his interests. He was, of course, long a leader of the bar. He was a member of the board of The A.S. Abell Company, and was known for his unfailing good humor, infinite courtesy and persistent independence of thought.



Among guests staying at Sanibel Cottages are LLOYD WRIGHT and JOHN BRUMMER of Rochester, New York; Mrs. "JIMMIE" WALKER and her mother-in-law from New Port Richey, Fla.; Mr. and Mrs. ROBERT LEWIS TAYLOR, Sharon, Conn.; Mrs. JEANNE LIVESAY, Chicago, Ill.; Mr. and Mrs. CHESTER R. SMITH, Smyrna, Ga.; Mr. and Mrs. ALBERT STEFFEN of Indiana found two golden olives on the beach in front of Sanibel Cot-tages, and Mr. CHARLES V. VIGGEN found his first golden olive in the same area. Back at Sanibel Cottages for their winter stay are Lt. Col. and Mrs. EARL CHRISTIAN, Athens, Vermont, and Mr. and Mrs. CLARY WAHLBURG of Minneapolis, Minn., are due in soon for the winter.

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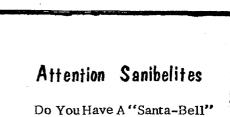
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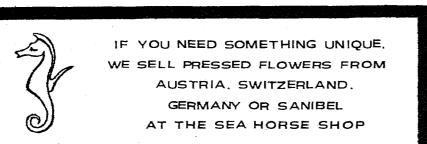
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