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ARTISTIC ISLANDERS DO IT AGAIN

The Islands' artists kept up their winning streak in the latest art show, the Fifth Annual Exhibit of the Art Council of Southwest Florida. Hugo Asbach of Captiva, who also took "Best of Show" in the recent Sears exhibit as well as in the Cape Coral show, again walked off with top honors when he was awarded "Best of Show" for his oil entitled "Macoa."

Jane Bancroft, also of Captiva, won the First Award in mixed media for her collage, "School Is Out."

Leon Levy of Sanibel Island took Second Award in the same division for his "Kaleidoscope."

Other Islanders whose works were picked to hang in the show (and the competition was rough---only 74 pictures were picked from over 300 submitted) were Bob Haynie of Sanibel and Will Snyder, also of Sanibel.

Gale D. Bennett's "Asia Minor" won the Judge's Choice Award given by the Sanibel Captiva Art League. Miss Bennett is from Fort Myers. Lriscilla Murphy of Sanibel awarded the oil Still Life prize of \$100 to Jean Dean of Cape Coral.

Pat Doshier of Fort Myers won the Sea Horse Shop's prize for Best Watercolor of Florida Scene.



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The party was held in the afternoon of Saturday, April 6, and it was attended by several hundred Captiva and Sanibel friends of the Speers, who came to say what they hoped would be only a temporary goodbye, and to wish them well.

Dr. and Mrs. Speers will leave on April 21st and will travel first to Baltimore, which was their home for many years, and then to California for a short stay, after which they will take up residence in their Center Sandwich, N.H., home.

In their comparatively short stay on Captiva, they have made a host of close friends, and the turnout to honor them was a small indication of the love and esteem in which they are held. The Islands will miss them, and it is hoped by all who know them that they will be drawn back before too long.

As a parting gift Dr. and Mrs. Speers were presented with a beautifully bound red leather album in which had been

assembled page after page of color photographs of the Islands and of the Island people, as a memento of their stay here. It is a symbol of so many things that their friends think about the Speers that it was given with a hope that it would, for them, recall visually the beauty of our land, and the love and warmth of affection that will surround them, wherever they may be.

MEALS FOR MILLIONS BENEFIT APRIL 19

Tickets for the second T.N.T. Talent Night to benefit Meals For Millions are on sale for the performance of April 19 at the Pirate Playhouse. New acts which have been added to the bill include Janet Anderson in delightful pantomime, Elaine Patton with some Chaucer, and Ed Legel and his bass viol. Call Box Office, GR 2-3943, for tickets which will benefit the hungry to help themselves!

ART LEAGUE ONE MAN SHOW

On Monday, April 15, Mario Hutton will hold a one man, one day show sponsored by the Sanibel-Captiva Art League at its stand next to the Captiva Post Office. On exhibit will be a number of wildlife color photos and views of many picturesque Island spots.

THE ISLANDER'S ISLANDERS
by e.c. bailey

Had a look at my first live golden olive last week. It had been found by Mr. J.R. Yankee that same day, April 3, on the beach from Tulipa Way. This is his second golden olive of the season. How lucky can we get? The Yankees are staying at La Hacienda for their seventh winter.

The house tour for the benefit of Saint Michael and All Angels' Episcopal Church was a huge success. Although I do not have any exact figures, the Islands were swarming with visitors for the tour of the lovely homes on Sanibel and Captiva.

Was eagerly looking forward to seeing the play, "Pagan In The Parlor," last Saturday and did you know that Monday, April 15, will be the last performance of the season? Don't forget Talent Night for Tourists at the Theatre April 19. I'm sure that this will be quite exciting and the proceeds are for a worthy cause, "Meals For Millions."

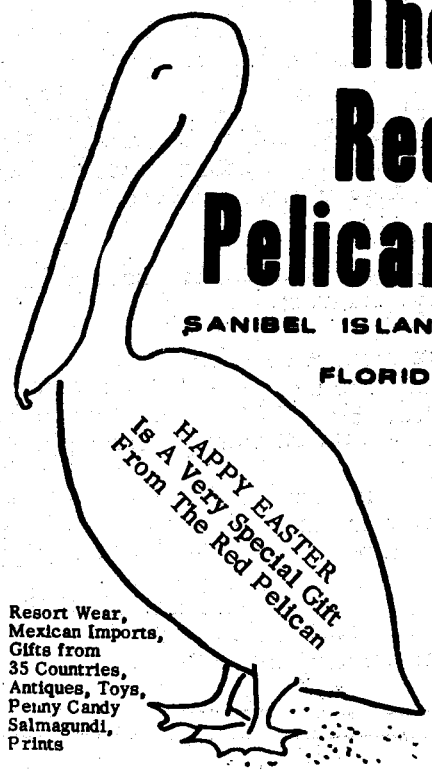
Thank you, kind friends, for the warm reception given me last Friday, April 5, at Open House, 7-10 p.m., for Erin's Blue Shamrock Floral Shop. My apologies for the non-appearance of the Cashon Clan; they all had commitments which prohibited them from appearing. I feel very foolish, not being able to keep my promise, but they are all so far away that I couldn't possibly rope and corral them. Needless to say I was very disappointed by this turn of events.

Would like to say I've not been available much this past week due to a health problem. I have chronic phlebitis and the same leg was infected with poison oak, necessitating a little siege in an outstretched position.

May I wish for each and everyone a blessed Easter season. Please all attend the church of your choice.

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DEMOCRATIC CLUB PICNIC


There will be a Club picnic on Sunday, April 21. All members of the Sanibel-Captiva Democratic Club are invited, together with their families and guests.

More details will be in the next issue of the Islander.

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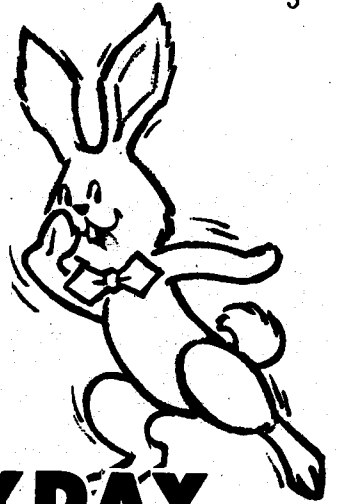


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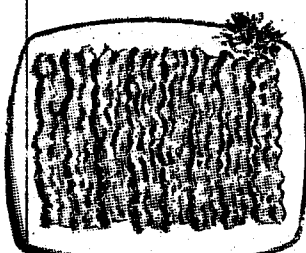
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Sanibel, Captiva and the chain of islands of which they form a part are still relatively undeveloped. They offer one of the last opportunities to preserve the rich treasury of wildlife and vegetation which flourish in a semi-tropical wilderness.

Time is short, as bitter lessons learned too late in other parts of the country have shown. But the Foundation believes these assets can be preserved by orderly development rather than exploitation. To this end the Foundation, working closely with other conservation groups and continually soliciting the opinions of others, sets forth the following goals. Their achievement will require the support of all interested people.

1. Land Acquisition. The Foundation, as successor to the Ding Darling Memorial Committee, is proud to have taken the lead in the creation of the Ding Darling sanctuary. We believe other areas can similarly be set aside. And we feel land developers can be shown the financial rewards for preserving portions of their holding

in a natural state.

2. Wildlife Protection. Wildlife cannot flourish isolated even in a sanctuary. Surrounding estuarine areas with the basic nourishment for birds, fish, shellfish and other life must be preserved, unpolluted. And there must be areas for unmolested feeding and breeding. This requires eternal vigilance against the march of industrialization and of campers, picnickers and other invaders. Our islands are as rich in plant as in animal life and this, too, can be preserved. Much can be accomplished by encouraging the retention and planting of native vegetation.

3. Orderly Development. In all cases we will seek to cooperate with developers and to provide technical and scientific studies which may point the way to the types of development that can benefit both the developer and the conservationist. As one point, there should be access roads to Upper Captiva and LeCosta Islands but this should not include a highway running directly through the Island chain.

4. Education. Children and adults, laymen and experts all have much to learn about the other forms of life which share this planet with us. The Foundation will sponsor general educational programs as well as special ecological research. From this we expect to gain knowledge to provide the basis for further steps to conserve the environment cherished by us all.



BAKE SALE TO BE REPEATED

The Bake Sale, sponsored by the Sanibel-Captiva P.T.A., will be repeated again this Saturday as the P.T.A. needs more money for playground equipment at the school. The sale will start at 10 a.m. and continue on into the afternoon. The cost of the equipment will be posted at Bailey's Store, the site of the sale, for all to see what is planned and how much is needed. Those wishing to bake "goodies" and donate them to the P.T.A. are asked to call GR 2-3091 before 3 p.m. Friday. This is a very worthy cause and all persons are urged to stop by the shopping center and pick up some of the many wonderfully baked items that will be offered.

APRIL CLUB AT BEACHVIEW

The April Club at Beachview welcomes Warren and Harriet Williamson (former managers of Beachview) as guests this year. The Williamsons had the unfortunate experience of being shipwrecked before arriving here. The April Club, which has been meeting for several years, is composed of Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Skillman (who celebrate their anniversary April 30), Mr. and Mrs. H. Bickstaff of Look-Out Mt., Tenn., Mr. and Mrs. J.H. Eaches of Pa., and Mrs. Margaret West (who has been here since Feb. first and plans to stay at least the first two weeks of May).

Mr. and Mrs. James Bone have returned to Beachview bringing with them his brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Bone, Jr., also their friends, Mr. and Mrs. A.L. Vockel and sons, and Mr. and Mrs. W.R.

Thomas and son.

A pleasant surprise was the return of Joe and Nita Ward who usually spend the month of Oct. at Beachview will be on the Islands for three weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Jasper DuBose were fortunate in finding a beautiful golden olive the day before their departure to Washington, D.C.



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SANIBEL-CAPTIVA ART LEAGUE

There will be another showing of films by Eliot O'Hara, the eminent American watercolorist, on Friday, April 19, at the Captiva Community Center at 8 p.m. The Sanibel-Captiva Art League is sponsoring the movies and invites all interested artists to attend.

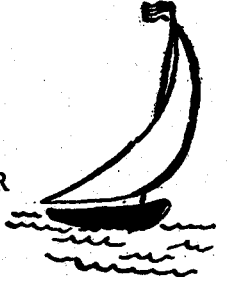
The three films, which are narrated by Mr. O'Hara and which demonstrate his painting techniques, will be "Painting Abstracts," "Painting Clouds," and "Painting Reflections of Water."

The previous showing of Mr. O'Hara's films, earlier in March, was attended by both artists and non-artists from the Islands and also by a group from Cape Coral, and a general invitation to all area artists has been extended by the League. There is no charge, but a free-will offering, to help defray the expense of renting the films will be accepted.

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PIRATE PLAYHOUSE NOTES

Audiences at "Pagan In The Parlor" which plays for the last time Easter Monday, April 15, at the Pirate Playhouse on Sanibel, may expect to see ingenue Holly Hollingsworth at the Asolo Theater this summer. She leaves for Sarasota in June and will be there for the entire summer.

The handsome gentleman in the portrait which hangs over the mantel on the set of Pagan In The Parlor at the Pirate Playhouse is actually an original photograph of Ruth Hunter's paternal grandfather, Neil McMullen. For the play, however, he is "Jonas Camelon," father of the Camelon sisters in "Pagan In The Parlor" which has played to capacity houses at the Pirate Playhouse throughout the season.

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The painting has been on display in local shops, April 3, 4, and 5 it was shown in Priscilla Murphy's office. On Saturday and Sunday, April 6 and 7, it was shown at South Seas Plantation, and on Monday, April 8, it was at the Captiva Post Office. Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, April 9, 10, and 11, the painting is being displayed at Dotti's boutique.

Future showings of the picture will take place at Bailey's General Store on Saturday, April 13; at South Seas Plantation on Sunday, April 14; and at Mary Aleck's Sanibel Beauty Salon in the shopping center on Monday and Tuesday, April 15 and 16.

The drawing for this colorful oil painting will be held during library hours on Saturday, April 20, in the library building next to Sanibel-Captiva Real Estate office.

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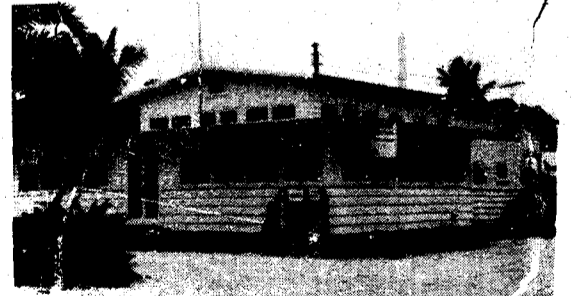
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SEA CHEST
By RAY SOREL

When a boat owner pays \$20 in labor charges for an oil change, you're likely to get the idea that boatyards are in the habit of gouging the owners of boats. This is an almost universal notion, but not necessarily true.

The man who paid \$20 for an oil change had two engines in his boat. They were V-8's. They had been adapted to marine use from a popular automobile engine.

As you know, you drain the oil out of an automobile engine through a drain plug in the bottom of the crankcase. But you can't drain the oil this way when the engine is put into a boat because there's no way to get at the underside of the engine to remove the plug.

Even if you could get at the plug, you could only let the oil drain into the bilge (messy, messy) because there isn't room to get a pan under the engine to catch the drainings. Usually, you suck the oil out through the dip-stick hole with a thin tube...or through the filler pipe if it doesn't have baffles

But these V-8 engines had baffles in the filler pipes and the dipstick was a long flexible flat spring that had to wend its way through a tube that curved around the block before entering the crankcase. You could suck the oil out through the dipstick deal.

The instruction book for this engine suggested that when it was time to change the oil, you disconnect one of the oil lines, start the engine, and let it pump itself dry of oil. Not many people with any sense relish the thought of running an engine without oil, even for a minute or so.

It cost the boat owner \$20 because a machanic had to dismantle part of the engine so that he could stick a tube into the crankcase and pump out the oil.

Another characteristic of automobile "marine" engines that cost a boat owner money is the placement of accessories. It's a convenience in an automobile to mount the oil filter under the engine so that it can be changed while the car is up on the rack draining the crankcase. But this location for the filter on a boat is almost inaccessible. The boat owner will pay for the time it takes a mechanic to worm his way into a space that would be crowded for an undernourished child and try to find some way to reach the filter. He will also pay for the time the mechanic uses trying to seat a new gasket and holding the filter cover in place while screwing in the mounting bolt ... all with one hand.

Some manufacturers mount the distributor on the forward part of the engine. If the builder of the boat hasn't provided an access door in the forward engine room bulkhead, it will cost the boat owner as much to change the distributor contacts as it did to change the oil.

The belts that drive the water pump and generator on some engines are located behind a cast iron shroud which is part of the engine mount. You can't remove this shroud to get at the belts without removing the engine. So you have to do the best you can to get

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the belts off and on with the shroud in place...which the boat owner pays for of course.

Boat builders share some of the responsibility for the high labor costs in boat maintenance. This is because they will stuff a couple of big engines in the smallest possible space in order to leave more living room. They don't leave enough room to get at the engines for maintenance.

I saw an air conditioning system installation in a large yacht which was obviously not planned for proper maintenance. Some of the components had built into a locker space with wood trim around it which had been nailed and glued in place. It would have been just as easy to use screws on the wood trim so that it could have been removed without damaging the woodwork.

These are the real reasons why it costs so much to maintain a boat these days. It's unlikely that the craftsmen who work on your boat are paid any more money than the ones who work on your car or home.



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Or if you happen to be a busy person who does not have time or patience to grow plants from seed, you will find that your local FNGA Nurseryman carries plants in flats ready to plant out for almost an immediate show.

Summer flowering annuals were never so lovely as they will be this year, according to the Florida Nurserymen and Growers Association. There are new varieties that are most intriguing and unusual. For example, in Zinnias there is the big hybrid cactus flowering variety known as "Wild Cherry," along with many other varieties of Zinnias ranging from the tiny "Thumbalina" to the Giants that tower tall with flowers of six to eight inches across! Other interesting summer annuals include Marigolds, Tithonia, Gloriosa Daisies, Torenia, Gaillardia, Portulaca, Verbena, and others. Matter of fact, Salvia is another beautiful annual for summer plantings. These all are available in marvelous colors.

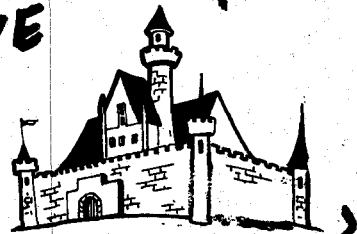
Annuals may be used in window boxes, hanging baskets, porch or wall boxes, in urns or tubs, for edging, mixed borders and terrace plantings. If you would like some annual planting suggestions that will be most helpful, send 25¢ in coin and a self addressed, large

stamped envelope to FNGA, P. O. Box 4, Leesburg. You will receive a book, ACCENT ON ANNUALS, and a list showing when annuals should be planted in Florida for best results.

Perennials, too, are fine additions to gardens. Geraniums, Impatiens, Begonias, Gerberas, Shasta Daisies, etc., are colorful and beautiful. Bulbous plants such as Caladiums, Crinum lilies, Calla lilies, Philippine lilies, etc., are also valuable additions.

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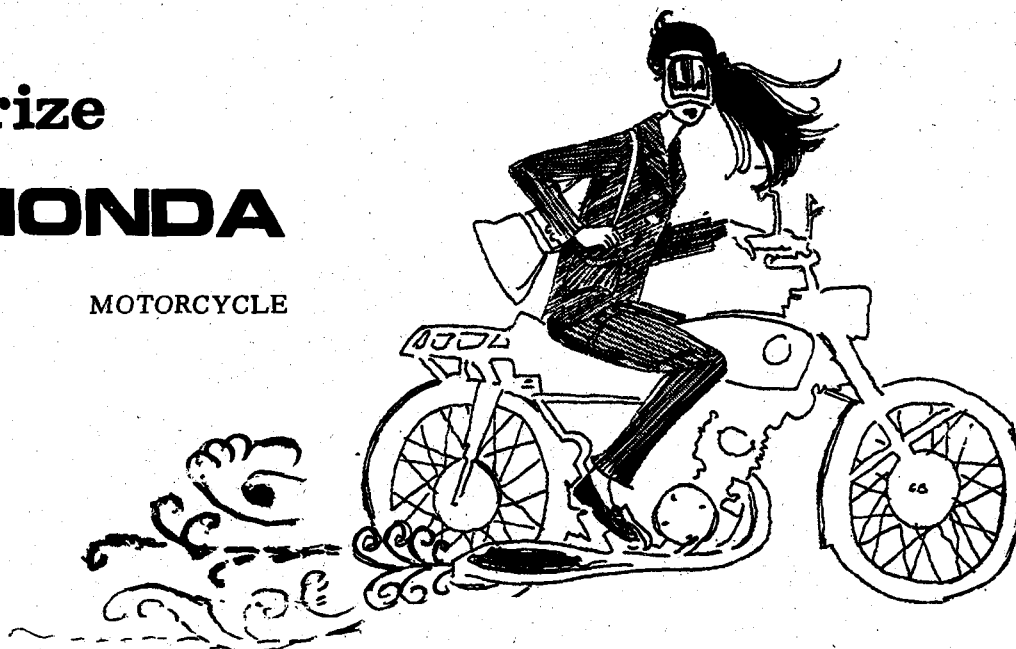
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