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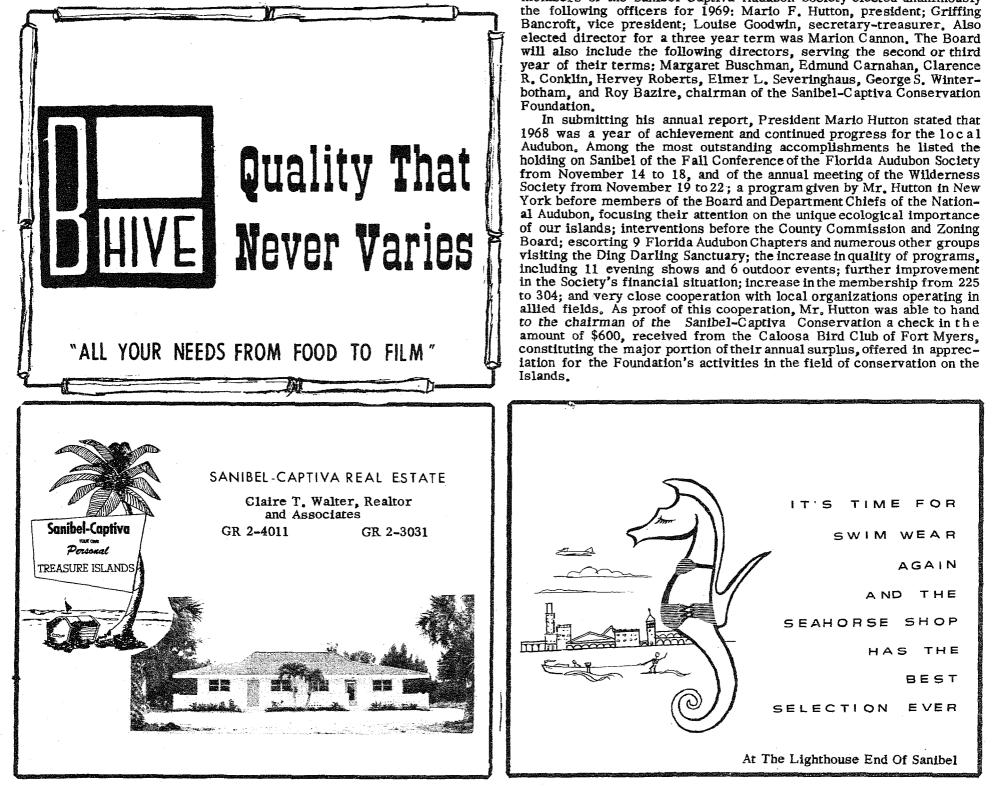
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DEATH AT SEA

The first fatality in the local population of loggerhead sea turtles directly caused by shrimping operations in water adjacent to the Island since 1967 happened recently when a dead mature female loggerhead turtle washed ashore on Sanibel Island.

With the closing of the Tortugas shrimping grounds there has been excelerated shrimping activity five to ten miles off Sanibel and Captiva in the past few weeks. The large loggerhead becomes entangled in the nets of the shrimp boats and drowns. It is most likely that other dead turtles will be found along the Island beaches as the Spring progresses.

On Friday Charles LeBuff received a message that a sea turtle was foundering 200 yards off shore from the Trade Winds Motel, LeBuff and Phil Hollembeak of Buffalo, N.Y., who reported the turtle, put to sea in a small skiff and managed to grab a float attached to the turtle by a connecting line, and brought it to the beach. With the turtle came the float, the line and a stone crabtrap. The line encircled the turtle's neck, twisted and the poor creature was held fast anchored by the crab trap. The line was removed and the turtle loaded (with the help of several onlookers, including Sid Collacott of Sanibel) and taken to the Sanibel Lighthouse where on Saturday it was measured, tagged and released. Many photographers were present and photographs were taken in quantities. The most amazing thing about the entire incident was that the turtle was a male. It's weight was estimated at 300 lbs. and aged approximately 15 years. Without a doubt this was the first time since this turtle hatched



years before that it had touched ground, for the male never leaves the sea; only the female come to the beaches for egg laying.

Anyone observing the sea turtles, dead or alive, is asked to contact LeBuff and the Ding Darling Refuge headquarters, GR 2-2251, or Chuck Holloway, GR 2-6411.

Mr. LeBuff, executive director of Caretta Research, announced this week the resignation of Cliff Grimard of Sanibel from the Board of Directors of Caretta, Mr. Grimard served on the Propagation Division since the creation of the project to restore the sea turtle colony of Sanibel and Captiva Islands and contributed valuable time and effort in the establishment of many of objectives of this group, His cooperation will certainly be missed. For the outstanding contribution he made the restoration of the loggerhead turtle on island beaches. Mr. Grimard receiva life-sponsor membership in Caretta Research.

To fill the vacancy Chuck Holloway was appointed to serve. Chuck is an outdoor man, conservationist and assistant scout master of Boy Scout Troop 88 of Sanibel and Captiva and very interested in fulfilling the objectives of Caretta Research.

AUDUBON ELECTION

At the closing meeting of the 1968-69 season, held on April 10, the members of the Sanibel-Captiva Audubon Society elected unanimously

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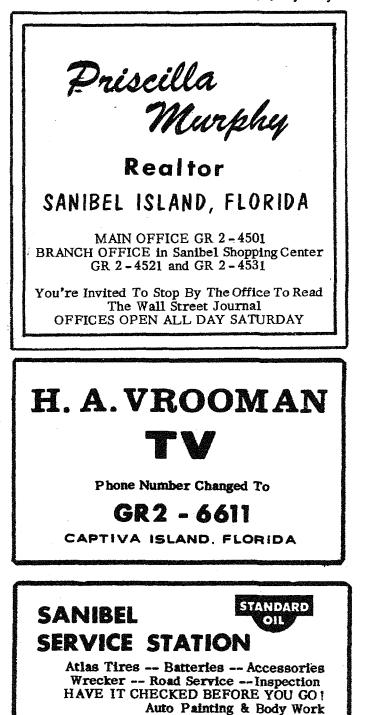
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CAPTIVA LIBRARY MOVES

The Captiva Library has moved its books into the new library building adjoining the Captiva Community Center, and will function from there hereafter, but because many of the winter residents have already left for the north the new building will not be formally dedicated until next season. It had been hoped that the library could be dedicated while the winter residents were still on the Island, but unavoidable delays made this impossible.

The books were moved last Friday by Ballinger's Captiva Services, under the supervision of Librarian Hazel Roberts and Associate Librarian Pintard Mills. Thanks to a careful flow plan worked out in advance by Mrs. Roberts and Mrs. Mills, and an excellent job by Ted Walden and George Mahone of Captiva Services, the physical part of the move was accomplished in one afternoon. About 3,000 hardback books were moved, plus paperbacks, magazines, and files, as well as the book stacks and other furniture. Not one book was misplaced --- something of a record.

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Hours for the library will be the same in the new building as in the old; from 9 to 12:30 on Tuesday and Friday mornings.

An important reason for holding the formal dedication of the new library until the winter people return is the fact that in every way the building is the Islanders. It was built entirely by Island contributions, and is probably one of the few libraries in the country in recent years to be constructed without any money from Federal, State, or County governments. It is therefore planned to hold a celebration ceremony to which all Islanders will be invited. Invitations will also be sent to the County Commissioners, the County Library Board, the Lee County Library, and the local libraries in the county.

The building will be known as the Captiva Memorial Library in honor of former residents who have passed on. A plaque to this effect will be installed at the dedication. The plaque will also contain individual names of former Captivaites who were specified by donors, with room left for the addition of other names that may be specified by donors in the future.

In addition to its own books and books obtained through the Lee County Library system, Captiva recently subscribed to the American Lending Library Service. This service makes it possible to obtain new books, mostly new fiction, almost as soon as these are published. The books are retained as long as there is a demand for them, and are then returned.

To make it even more of an Island building, the library was constructed by Karl Wightman, one of the few native-born Captivaites.

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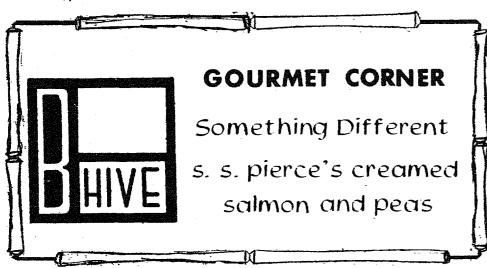
BAKE SALE On behalf of the members of the Sanibel-Captiva P.T.A. Bake Sale Committee, the chairman, Mrs. Ralph Woodring, wishes to thank all those who gave so generously of their time and talent to make the sale an outstanding success.

Special thanks go to those contributors who are non members of the P.T.A.

SANIBEL PUBLIC LIBRARY

A new experiment in open hours will be tried by the Sanibel Public Library during the months of May and June. The Library will be open Wednesday evenings be-tween the hours of 7:30 and 9:00 p.m. If these new hours are popular further extension of them will be considered, See you Wednesday nights, 7:30 to 9 at the Sanibel Library.

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To Sanibel & Captiva residents, property owners and visitors: From the Sanibel Planning and Zoning Study Committee,

Lee County is engaged in the preparation of a new zoning ordinance, and in a county-wide planning survey. The Sanibel Planning and Zon-

ing Study Committee was formed last fall by these Civic organizations: The Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation, Inc., The Sanibel Community Association, The Sanibel-Captiva Chamber of Commerce, The Audubon Society, The Interested Citizens Committee, The Captiva Civic Association, The Rocks Association and The Palm Lake Association.

The Committee was authorized to work with the County's Planning Consultants, to the end that a revised and improved Island zoning plan be submitted to the Consultants, and after their review, to the County Commissioners,

First by individual residents, and later by this Committee, certain desireable restrictions have been submitted to the Consultants. These restrictions include setback lines, building height limitations, lot sizes, a new sign ordinance, and other items.

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At an early December meeting, County zoning officials and the consultants gave us encouragement in our requests, subject, of course, to the public hearings that will be held this year.

The Committee has so far successfully opposed one application for Industrial Zoning and two other down-grading applications. It is currently directing its effort into a limitation of building heights to two stories. It is too early to say whether we shall be successful.

We are also working on a new zoning map, with the general intent of up-grading zoned areas wherever desireable and practical.

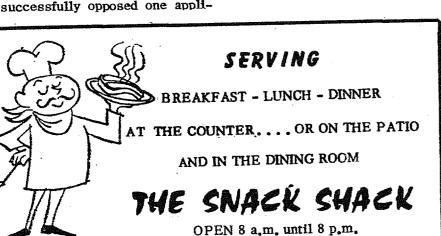
It is expected that the Committee will be needed for an indefinite period, and that it will continue to promote improvements in Island zoning, roads, and other matters. It will also serve as watchdog for undesirable projects.

The Committee has incurred some considerable expense in these pursuits, principally for attorney fees, surveys, etc. The Committee members are volunteers

We invite your contributions to this effort. When the trailer court project was opposed and defeated in 1967, contributions of \$10 were solicited by the Interested Citizens Committee. The work of that committee has been taken over by this one, which will operate generally by the By-Laws of the former.

Contributions may be sent to the Chairman, Mr. M. B. Beattie, Palm Lake Drive, Sanibel, F1a, 33957.

We hope that we will be able to give you your money's worth. /s/ M. B. Beattle, Chairman



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ANSWER TO SUZI'S Q'S

What is the speed limit on S-867 between Tarpon Bay Road and West Sanibel?

Answer: 60 mph by day and 55 mph by night; however, slow down to a "creep" at the "S" turns and at Trade Winds.

Vintage of school bus?

Answer: There were no busses when Francis Bailey went to school. He rode a trained alligator.

Information on golf course: Opening of bids on the Sanibel-Captiva Gold & Country Club's golf course is expected by April 15. The project went out for bids late in March and several firms in the golf course construction business are known to be planning to enter bids.

It has been a long time since we wrote to you regarding your Sanibel-Captiva Golf & Country Club, but we did not want to give any "iffy" information in view of the lengthy delay in finalizing These have now been plans. accepted by the Farmers Home Administration, enabling the Board to invite bids. Golf course plans and specifications are available for inspection by any member of the Chamber of Commerce building.

Closing on the FHA guaran-teed loan of \$174,500 is anticipated soon. It is also anticipated that FGA will ask that we have the full initiation fee for all members on deposit as part of the requirements for closing. For that reason, we are asking you to please send check for balance due, made out to Sanibel-Captiva Golf and Country Club, to us promptly. With but a few exceptions, this will be \$50,00 for each membership, almost all members having paid \$50.00 (or one-half initiation fee of \$100,00) on signing the agreement. If you cannot find your receipt, and think you paid \$100.00, please contact any member of the Board of Directors for verification.

Since the golf course architect's fee does not include bringing in the course, the Board ex-pects to hire Mr. Bob Ford, Jr., for that job. Funds will also be needed to employ him, probably as soon as clearing is completed.

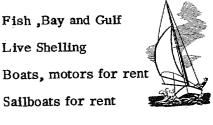
Bob and his wife are native Floridians, and he has had 24 years experience in the golf professional field. His experiences include building the Lawrenceburg County Club course at Law-renceburg, Tenn., pro-greens superintendent at clubs in Jef-



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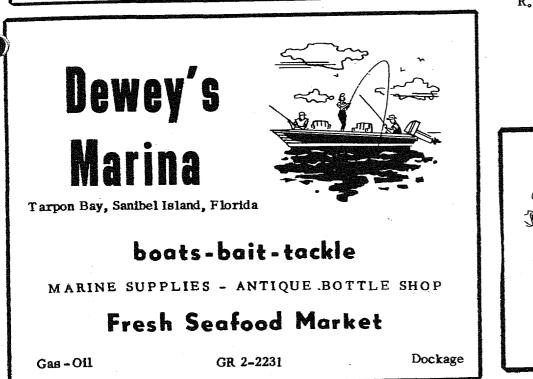
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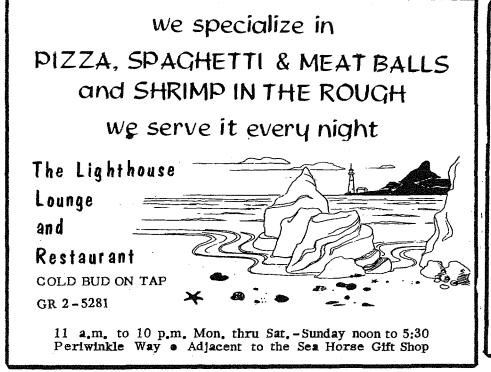












RUTH HUNTER enters Lee Memorial Hospital for eye surgery this week.

BILL FRIDAY, son of Mr. & Mrs. LEE ROY FRIDAY, owners of the House of Treasures on Sanibel, returned to his home at New Haven, Conn., Friday morning, Bill had flown down two weeks ago to be with his mother while Mr. Friday underwent major surgery.

Bill, with his wife Sandy, serve as directors for one of the International Houses on the Yale University campus, Bill is on the ministerial staff at Yale and Sandy also teaches in one of the New Haven High Schools.

THE COLONY GUESTS

Guests enjoying a vacation at The Colony are: Mr. & Mrs. John L. Rowe and family of Downers Grove, Ill.; Mr. & Mrs. C. G. Caldwell, Peoria, Ill.; Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Trawicki and family, Milwaukee, Wisc.; Mr. & Mrs. K. L. Johnson and family, Brookfield, Wisc.; Mr. & Mrs. Roger Patch and family, Long Lake, Minn.; Mr. & Mrs. John L. Sullivan, Elmhurst, Ill.; Mr. & Mrs. Frank Rau, Amityville, L. I., N.Y.; Dr. & Mrs. Richard Kelly and family, Maumee, Ohio; Dr. & Mrs. R. S. Cron, Milwaukee, Wisc.; Mr. & Mrs. Art Appl, La Grange, Ill., and Mr. & Mrs. Wm. Breitzke, Elmwood Park, Ill.

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It is with deepest gratitude that we wish to extend our sincere thanks to all those who remembered us in their thoughts and prayers before, during and since Lee Roy's recent surgery and hospitalization. We are, of course, particularly grateful to those who so quickly and willingly donated the blood that was so urgently needed. We are also very appreciative of the many gorgeous flowers, the books and cheery cards and greetings received.

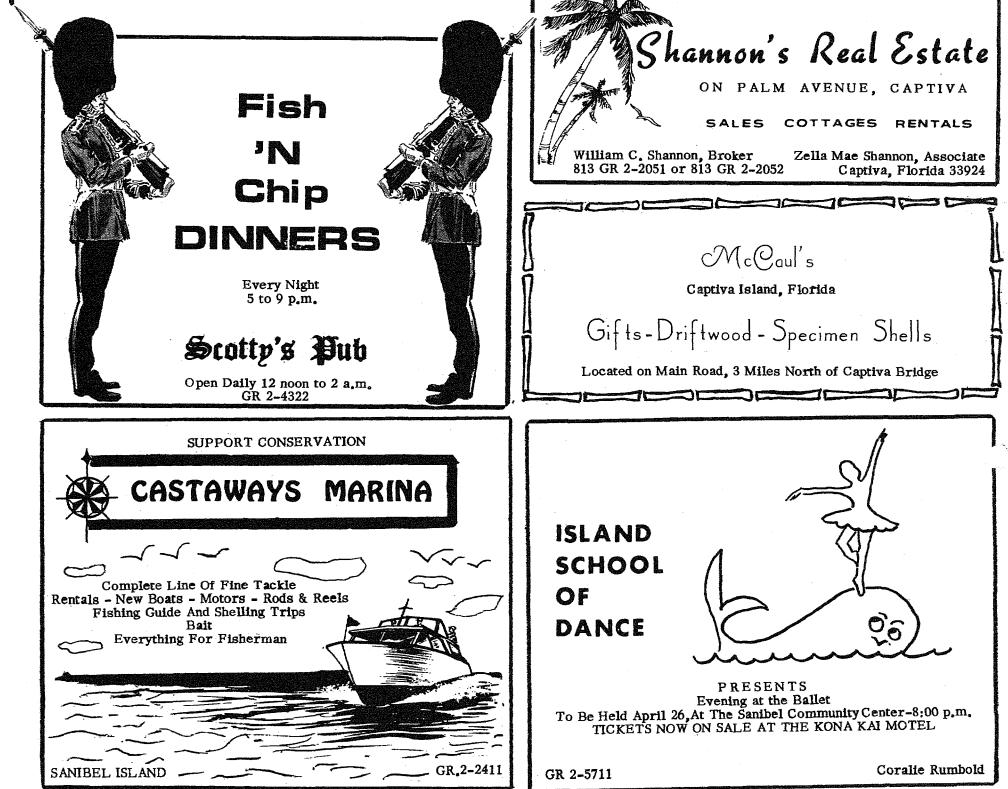
Our thanks would not be complete without making specific mention of the wonderful care given by Dr. Roger Scott and Dr. Robert Cushman and the entire

staff of the Lee Memorial Hospital. Every person went far beyond the "actual call of duty" in their efforts to be of service. We shall never cease being thankful that we have such a wonderful medical staff and such adequate facilities as a part of our community. /s/ Helen and Lee Roy Friday

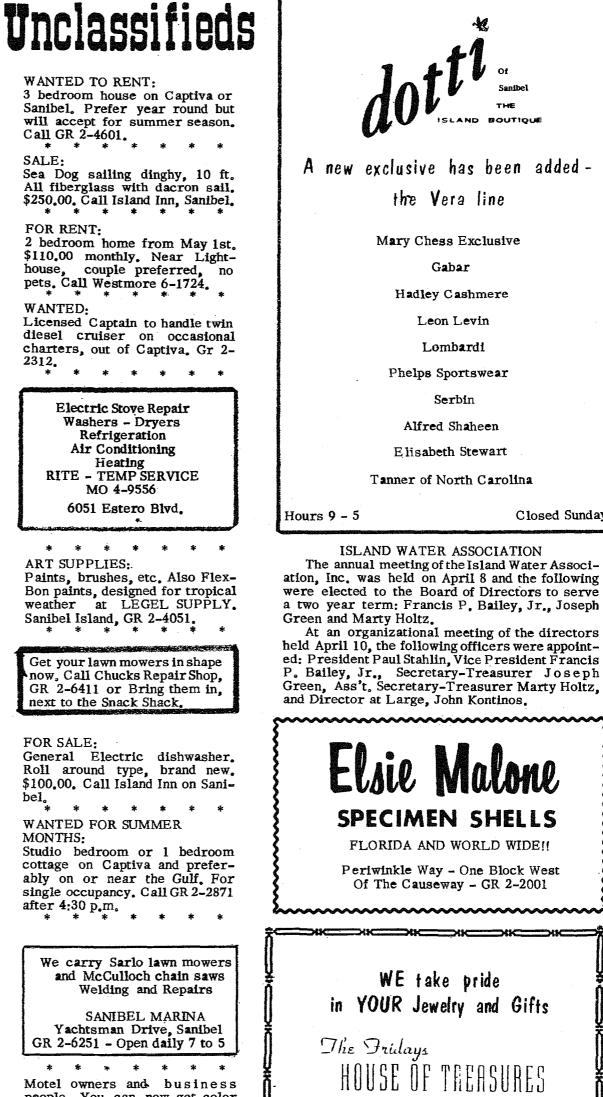


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