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A short course on "Conservation of Natural Resources" can be conducted on the islands if there is sufficient interest. Mr. Joseph L. Carter, Information Specialist with the Lee County Environmental Education Program, directed by William Hammond, has suggested the possibility.

Mr. Carter is now teaching a course on this subject at Edison Junior College, Monday nights from 7 to 10 p.m. It includes all components of our environment, basic to the understanding of ecological and environmental problems.

Islanders who may be interested please notify the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation, attention Roy Bazire, Executive Director, P.O. Box 25, Sanibel (33957). If there are enough prospective students, arrangements can be made to provide a special course on the Islands.

SANIBEL SHELL FAIR ON MARCH 2, 3 & 4

The Sanibel Shell Fair is March 2, 3 and 4 this year, and it is called the Sanibel Shell Fair because it is held on Sanibel at the Community House, but it includes Captiva, too, as both islands have long been known as the greatest in shell collection areas. And all people involved with the Shell Fair, which is practically everyone around the islands, has been busy for months getting things ready for what promises to be the biggest and best ever. Ladies and men have been meeting on Monday mornings to clean, polish and generally get driftwood ready for sale, and others have been readying their shell collections for display and sale, while others have been making plans for the refreshment booth and all the other displays.

The beautiful shell table has been on display for some time and tickets have been sold, and continue to be sold, as some lucky winner will be announced at the Fair. Collectors will be entering their collections to compete for cups and ribbons. They will be for island shells collected locally, the large Shell of the Show, Foreign Shells, Miniatures, Florida Shells and others.

Sanibel's Shell Fair is now world renowned, having humble beginnings in 1928 as a sort of country fair with many shells from local gatherers, and homemade gifts, pies and goodies being offered.

This year, the theme of the Fair will be to save our vanishing shells from extinction, by limiting the number of live shells taken to two only, since extensive shelling has depleted the source of shells, and conservation is the theme.

Those directly concerned with the Fair have been the Sanibel Community Association officers and include: President, Marshall Holtz, Jr., Vice President, C. D. White, Secretary, Arthur Arnold, and Treasurer, Paul H. Mamet.

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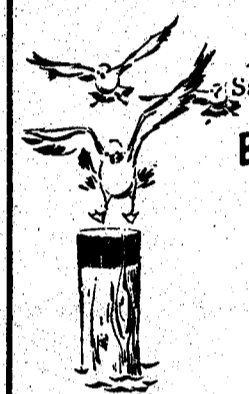
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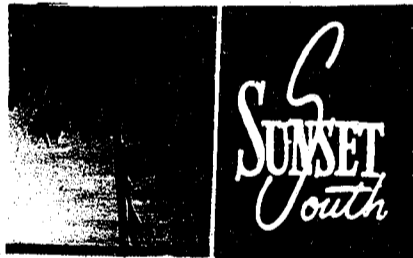
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WHO'S WHO AND WHY

Mrs. PRISCILLA MURPHY'S sister, Mrs. THERESA M. McQUOY from Detroit, Mich., is visiting her.

Mrs. Murphy is the proud owner of a lovely picture "The Yellow Umbrella" painted by Anne J. Stephens of Naples. It is on display in the main office of the Priscilla Murphy Real Estate at the present time.

The HAL IRWINS will be entertaining guests for the next few months. Joyce's aunt, TINA LAWRY, who is 89, will fly down from Lake Orion, Mich., to Tampa, where she will be met by the Irwins, and then she will stay for the rest of the winter. She is characterized by Hal as a "spunky little Scotswoman," and we know she will get around to enjoy all the winter activities. Then Joyce's sorority sister and her husband, the PAUL THOMASSONS of Detroit, Mich., will visit on March 3, in time to see the Shell Fair.

Visiting the RICHARD W. JONES on Rue Bel Mer are his brother and wife, GORDON and GRACE JONES from Marine, St. Croix, Minn. The G. JONES have been visiting their daughter in Denver and are driving down here for a respite from the winter cold, and they hope to take in the Shell Fair and do some canoeing too.

Mr. & Mrs. G. LOUIS KELSH of Coconut Ave. are having a wonderful visit from relatives. Mrs. Kelsh's brother and family, the FRED MILLERS, who are wintering in Panama City, drove down to enjoy a week or so of island living and visiting with the family, and they were joined by Mrs. Kelsh's nephew and family from Detroit, Mich., the DONALD MILLERS.

Mr. & Mrs. WILLIAM H. KILDOW, Jr. of Angel Drive have been enjoying a winter visit from son, WILLIAM H. KILDOW, III, of Bloomfield Hills, Mich., but he will return home next week.

Mr. & Mrs. E. G. KONRAD entertained again with a cocktail buffet for friends on Saturday evening, and they have been having a series of these soirees so that they can get to see all of their friends and visit with them during the season when many of them gather on the islands.

Mr. & Mrs. GEORGE N. KUECHLER of Jewel Drive have been enjoying a visit from son BOB and family from St. Louis County, Mo. The girls, LOU ANN, CHERYL and ROBERTA have been having a wonderful time on the beach, even though it has not been the best fishing weather. Sunday, they all drove across Alligator Alley to visit Mrs. Kuechler's sister and family, the WALLACE BRAUSS' of Fort Lauderdale, who were celebrating their 25th anniversary, and they had a family reunion with the addition of a niece or so. And now back to school and winter weather for the girls, who have really enjoyed this mid-winter break.

Mrs. JEAN OAKLEY of Pompano Beach, who has had a running love affair with the islands for the past ten years, is planning to move over to Sanibel as soon as she can find space for her mobile home. Meanwhile she will be visiting with Mrs. DELIA KYLE on Captiva, and these dear old friends will be visiting the Shell Fair together.

Mr. ARTHUR LEE of Lighthouse Way was surprised by a visit from friends from his home town, Mr. & Mrs. CHARLES KNOENER of Red Rock, N.Y., and the CHARLES CONTINIS of Northvale, N.J., and Fort Myers.

Miss DOROTHY P. MATCHETT of Chicago, Ill., who is a visitor on the Island at High Tide Motel, found a lovely junonia on the beach, one of which is perfect. Lucky lady!

Mrs. RICHARD HOZIAN from Maywood, Ill., has been visiting the EUGENE LANCE family on Lighthouse Way, and brought her four month old son, CHRISTOPHER with her to visit the grandparents. She is reluctant to leave for the north, but of course must.

THE MOORINGS

Last week there was a director's meeting of the Mariner Group on Sanibel at Sanibel Moorings. Mr. Robert Taylor presided over the group and others attending the meeting were directors, James Streicher and his wife from Cleveland, Ohio; Mr. & Mrs. William Parkhurst from Stuart, Fla.; Bob and Marge Anderson from Rocky River, Ohio; and Norm and Mary Patton of Cleveland, Ohio.

Guests this week at Sanibel Moorings are Mr. & Mrs. Allen Tenbroeck of Westfield, N.J., who have their darling daughters, Laurie and Ginny with them, but who must return to school next week. And then this group will be followed by Stan and Gay Johnson of Mt. Vernon, Ohio, and they will be entertained by Bob and Linda Taylor, who live in Fort Myers but like to spend the weekends at the Sanibel Moorings house.

ISLAND INN GUESTS

Guests at the Island Inn include Mrs. Dorothy R. Miller of West Hartford, Conn.; Mrs. Richard Cavett, New York City (wife of TV Dick Cavett, late ABC Talk Show); the Daniel R. Johnson, Englewood Cliffs, N.J.; Mr. & Mrs. Robert A. Greiling, Centerport, N.Y.; Mr. & Mrs. Sidney G. Haskins of Lake Forest, Ill.; Mr. & Mrs. Roy Deng; Mr. & Mrs. Marshall H. Montgomery, New Canaan, Conn.; Mr. & Mrs. Lehmburg; the L. W. Graaskamps of Irvington, N.Y., and Mr. & Mrs. G. Keith Funston from Greenwich, Conn.

Also at Island Inn are Mr. & Mrs. H. C. Mackall and daughter from Minneapolis, Minn.; the Howard Ives, Cincinnati, Ohio; Mrs. F. Hunter Hackett and two daughters, Mrs. Blackhurst, Mrs. Bruch of Cleveland, Ohio; Dr. & Mrs. David Williams, Springfield, Mass.; Mr. & Mrs. R. Stanley Aitken, Bath, Maine; the Francis P. Shannons, Louisville, Ky.; Mr. George A. McLaughlin, St. Paul, Minn.; the J. H. Krallmans, Short Hills, N.J.; Mrs. Robert T. Willcox, Mrs. Polly A. Ferguson, Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.; Mr. & Mrs. John E. Stromenger of Delray Beach, Fla.; and Mr. & Mrs. Margrett.

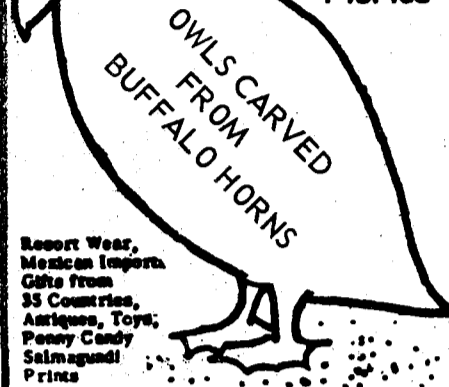


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If this picture looks like Ruth Hunter and Dorothy Stickney are on cloud nine, it is probably so for they met at Song of the Sea last week after 30 years. The two actresses had roles in the same play "The Up and Up" which launched Pat O'Brien on a movie career.

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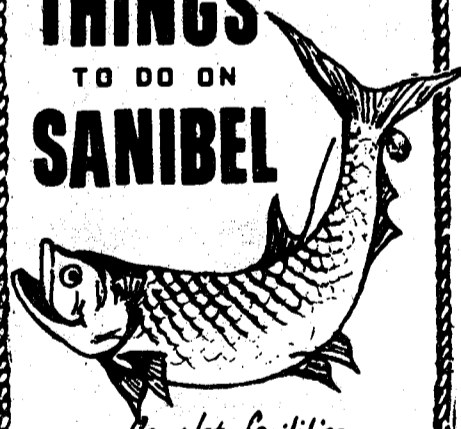
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**LETTERS TO
 THE EDITOR**

TO THE ISLANDER:

Is anything going to be done about the unsightly and often malodorous weed which is disfiguring the Gulf beaches from the lighthouse to past Sunset Condominium?

We have been coming to Sanibel for seven years for three or four months a year but have never seen it this bad.

/s/ Worried Visitor.

TO THE ISLANDER:

In both last Sunday's News-Press and this week's Islander an excellent article appeared promoting the Thomas A. Madden Educational Fund for needy students. This is indeed noteworthy and should be commended to all who are fortunate enough to know Father Madden.

I would, however, like to bring out one very important aspect of this man's character. While his concern and love for the children, his genuine affection and champion for the rights of the colored people (long, long before it was a popular pastime) were major channels of his ministry; he was also available at all times to everyone regardless of age, problem, religion, or their need. How much more appropriate it would have been to name the Fund as the Thomas A. Madden Fund in grateful recognition of the great contribution he has made to the Island in general. I have known Father Madden for many years through his kindness for me and my family, we know only a small part of what he has done and continues to do.

On second thought, perhaps the officials of the Church considered all of us "Young People" of the Island -- if so, well and good, but let us not forget the all around influence and contribution of Father Madden.

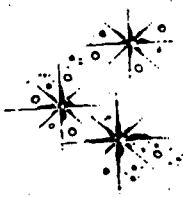
/s/ Martha (Mrs. J. H.) Harris
 Sanibel, Florida

**SURF 'N SAND
 COTTAGES**

Mrs. Willard Curtin found a lovely scallop and a beautiful newly dead Sunrise Tellin. She also found a nice Banded Tulip, still alive, but returned it to the water. We should all practice conservation if we are to enjoy shelling in coming years.

The guests all joined in a farewell coffee hour on the patio last Sunday as a send-off for Mae and Bill McNamara and Lil Lownes and Pretzel. A cake, appropriately decorated with a tiny model of a mobile home, surrounded with palms, was the centerpiece. They promise to come over to Sanibel real often as they have enjoyed their two winters here.

Mrs. Coralyn Ver Meer really hit the jackpot at the Wednesday Murex games. She won the last game of the evening and took home \$50.00.




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Volunteer workers are sought to assist in the programs of the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation. A "Workers Pool" of island residents who have expressed their willingness to assist is available to the Foundation, but the many and varied tasks to be done require its expansion.

Jobs done by volunteers in recent months include work on the Membership and Fund Raising Committee, hostessing at the ECOSWF conference, acting as interrogators for a survey of the uses of the three areas of the J. N. Ding Darling National Wildlife Refuge, telephoning islanders to urge their attendance at critical meets before County officials. Other jobs which arise from time to time include help for Caretta Research (mostly summertime), assisting in putting together and mailing membership reports, typing and secretarial, letter writing and telephone campaigns on critical legislation (this will be important during the next couple of months and volunteers are urgently needed), working with students in the Lee County Environmental Education program.

If you'd like to help, send a card with your name, address, and telephone number, job preference if any, to Mrs. Herbert Lewis, 3759 Gulf Drive, Sanibel.

WILDLIFE NOTES by griffing bancroft

It is now well established that man's poisons, insecticides, mercury and other pollutants, inhibit the proper hormonal development in birds.

This causes various abnormalities in breeding procedures, such as thinning egg shells, sterility and other aberrations. It all varies with different species, and even with different individuals within the same species.

The fish eating birds have been most noticeably effected, although surprisingly some groups, for example the herons and their relatives, so far do not seem to have suffered.

Most of the eagles in Florida, including the pair with a nest on Captiva, have been having sterile eggs. But the brown pelicans have been hardest hit. In the big rookeries in California and elsewhere eggs are being laid with shells so thin that they break when the birds attempt to incubate.

While pelicans in south Florida are still reproducing, the egg shells here are getting steadily thinner year by year. And now another apparent aberration has been detected.

Ralph Schreiber, a graduate student at the University of South Florida who is working on a doctor's thesis on brown pelicans, discovered some of the birds laying eggs in Tampa Bay in January -- fully three months earlier than normal.

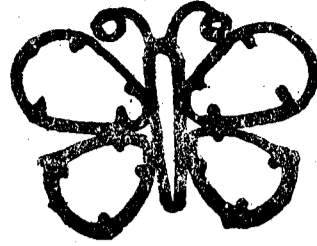
As it turned out, only a few birds did this and it is hoped the rest will nest as usual in April. Schreiber, however, wanted a check made to see if early nesting had also taken place elsewhere. So a trip was made to a nesting rookery on a mangrove island here in Pine Island Sound. We discovered no evidence of any pelicans nesting this early, but we did count, out of a hundred birds, four which were in full breeding plumage, with white heads, bright brown along the back of the neck, and pink on the bills.

Further checks will be needed to determine if these early pre-nuptial changes result in pre-season nest building and egg laying.

Incidentally we did find cormorants incubating eggs already in the Pine Island Sound rookery, but they usually nest well ahead of the pelicans.

Great blue herons, normal early nesters, also had eggs and we found again a breeding great white heron. But more on that in a later column.

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"Why leave heaven?" was the straightforward answer I received when I asked Dr. Ingalls Simmons if he and his wife Patsy ever left Sanibel for a vacation elsewhere. Feeling that I have my own little corner on heaven right here too, I wanted to find out what theirs looked like, so I called on the Simmonses and had to admit that what I saw was indeed charming.

I was soon to find out that, although they had lived all over the world, this was their first real home and their very first garden. They find the thrill of growing things is surpassed only by the thrill of looking out through the porch to the Gulf of Mexico.

"If someone tells me that a certain plant won't grow here, I immediately plant it, like that violet over there," he said, pointing to lovely purple blossoms blooming under a shady tree. In this same shady arbor are varieties of orchids and other exotic plants that reflect the doctor's thoughtful attention and care. Around the house and throughout the yard bloom 70 varieties of hibiscus to which I was proudly "introduced." I then learned that Dr. Simmons is vice president of the south eastern Hibiscus Club that meets once a month in Fort Myers. "I used to think that flower clubs were for little old ladies, never dreaming that one day I would be on the board of one," he said laughing, as he showed me a particularly lovely blossom of pale pink and yellow.

When you step into their home, you see evidences of their travels abroad, for they have collected objets d'art from France to the Orient. Now they are collecting from Sanibel.

Dr. Simmons was born in Worcester, Mass. As a young man he financed his Tufts medical studies by working as a carnival side show barker. "For learning about people, it was an experience that was better than any course I've ever had in psychology or psychiatry."

It was in one of the courses in psychiatry that he met a young psychiatric social worker, Patricia Robbins, whom he married. As Mrs. Simmons, she would share his long career in the military world.

His career started in the Army in World War II as commander of a hospital train transporting the wounded to specialty hospitals. He became interested in preventative medicine at Henry Barracks in Puerto Rico where he was post surgeon. From there the Army sent him to Harvard for a Master's Degree in public health. He was sent to Tokyo as the first preventive medicine officer ever assigned to an Army medical general laboratory and later to Okinawa for environmental clean-up operations. In the field of preventive medicine he was to work with Dr. Jonas Salk (developer of the polio vaccine) in influenza research at Ft. Dix, N.J.; at Ft. Sam Houston as a full time member of the faculty; in Orleans, France, as Chief of Preventive Medicine; and as Deputy Surgeon for the Communications Zone in Europe. Many assignments for the U.S. Army followed until his retirement as Colonel in 1969.

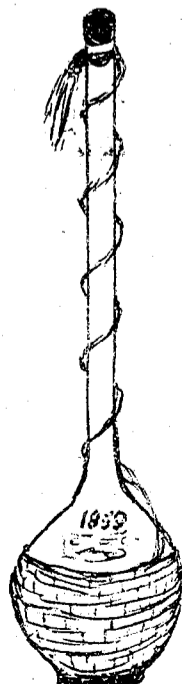
"Sim" Simmons calls this his retirement home, although "retirement" (the rocking chair variety) is an ugly word to him. He now holds two part time positions; he is acting as a consultant for ARA Services (a food service management firm dealing with food for hospitals and colleges) and is a District Director of mid-Florida Area Regional Medical Program.

Having spent his life in public health, he is now working for the good of our own community by fighting to preserve the islands' natural beauty and ecology as vice chairman of the Sanibel Island Planning Board and as a member of the Board of the Sanibel Community Association.

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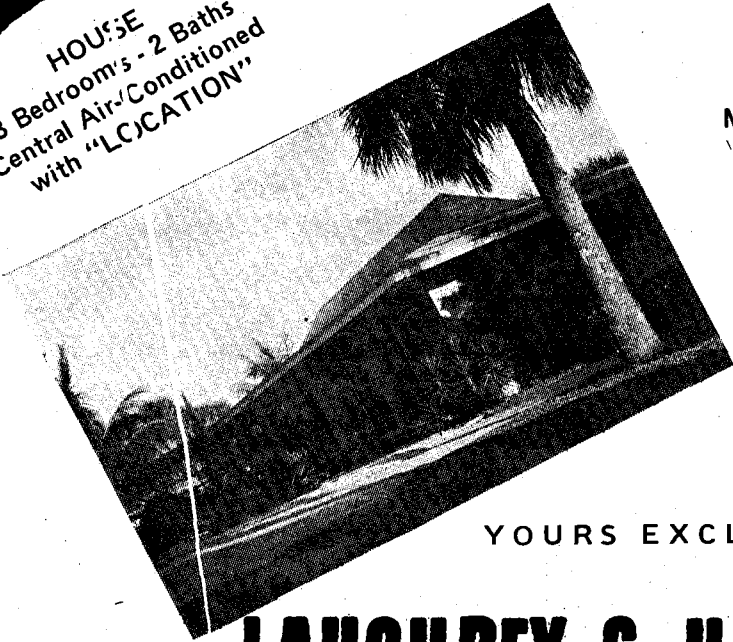
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**MRS. TENNEY CHOSEN
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Mrs. George C. Tenney of Jewel Box Road, Sanibel, was selected to represent Sanibel and Captiva on the Board of the American Cancer Society at their last meeting in Fort Myers. She will be ably assisted by Mrs. Frank M. Sulpepper of Sanibel Isles.

LIONS CLUB NEWS

The Lions Club of Sanibel-Captiva has continued to seek and accept orders for redwood signs. Prices are 60 cents a letter for signs four inches high and 80 cents a letter for signs six inches high. Advance orders for these attractive handmade signs are being accepted by Mr. Robert W. Haff, 472-1453 and by Dr. John H. Willard, 472-1632.

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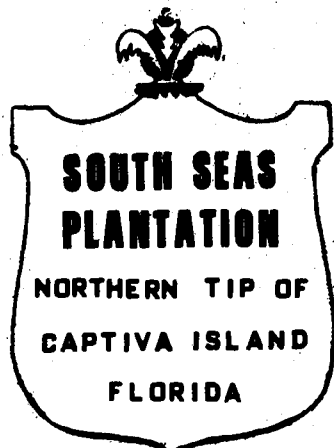
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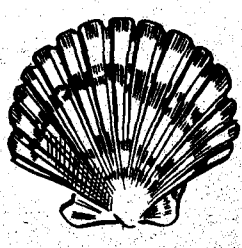


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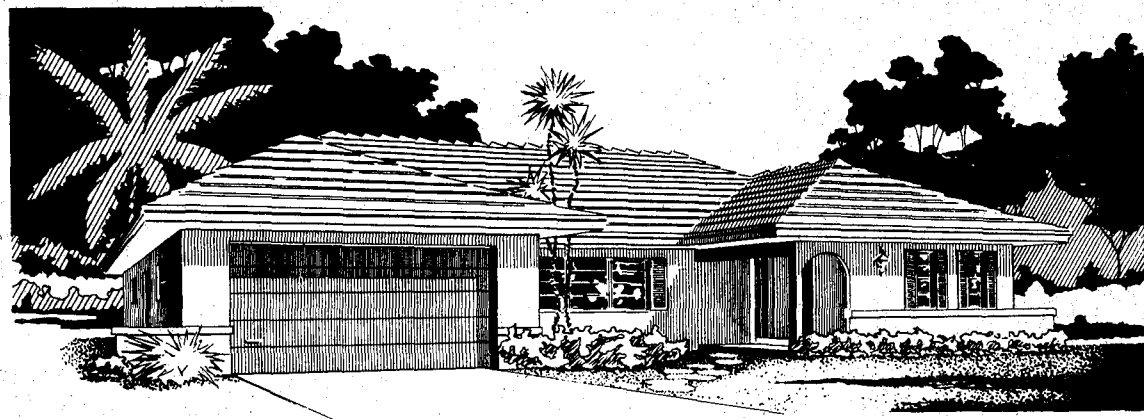
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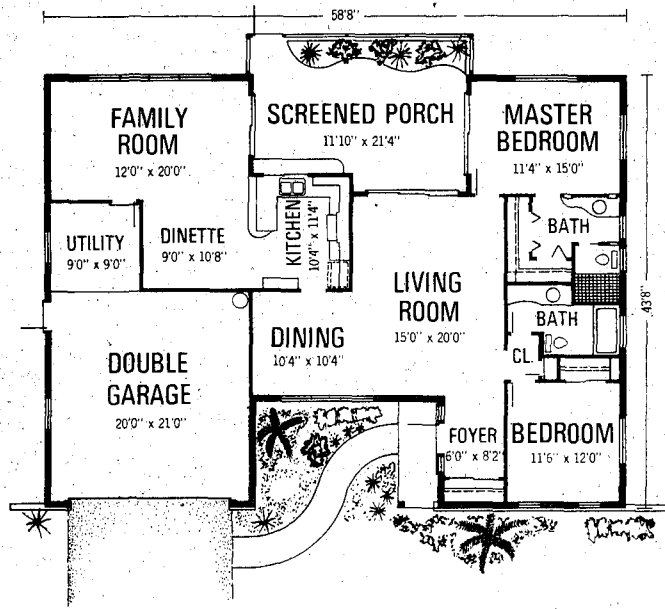


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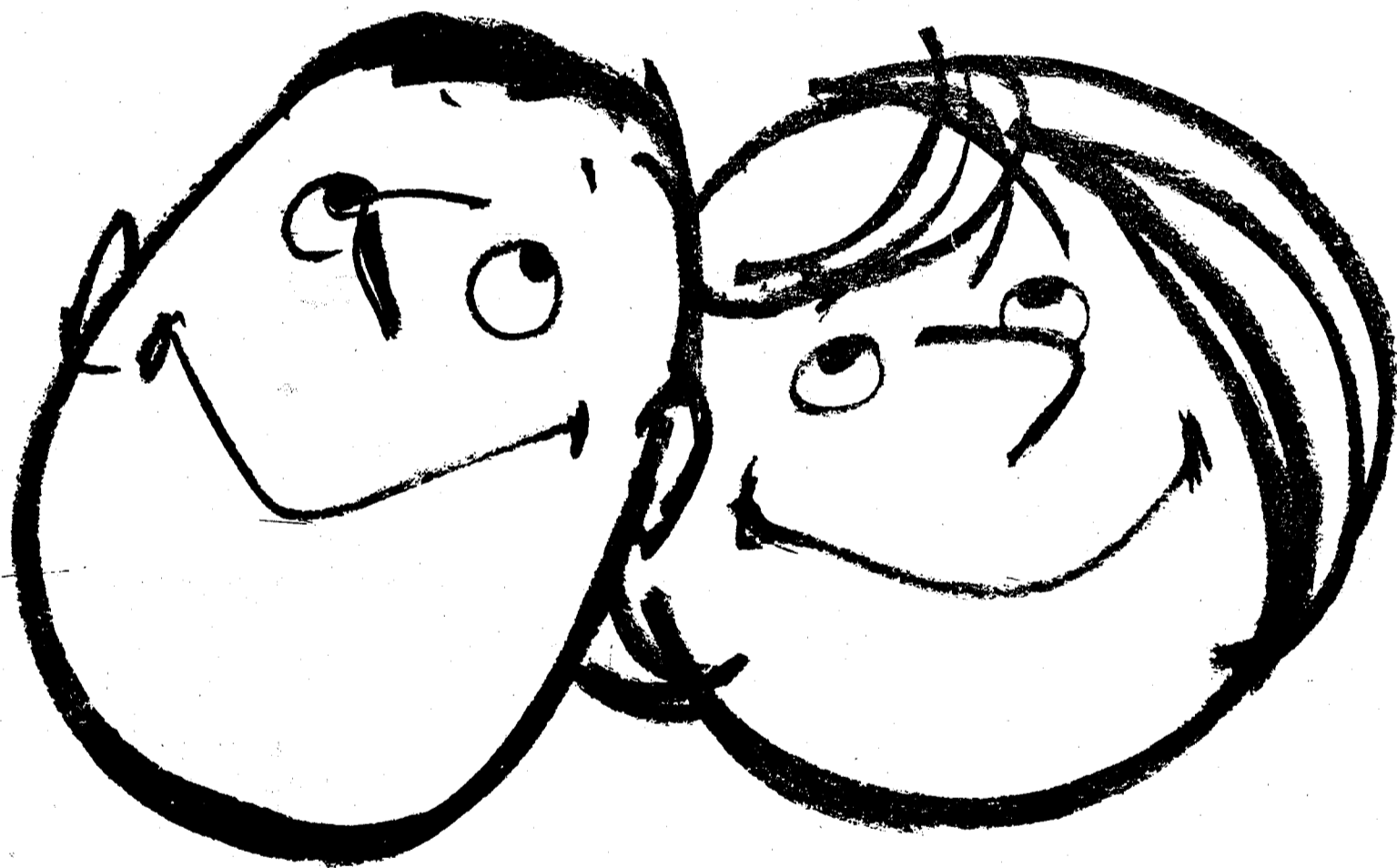
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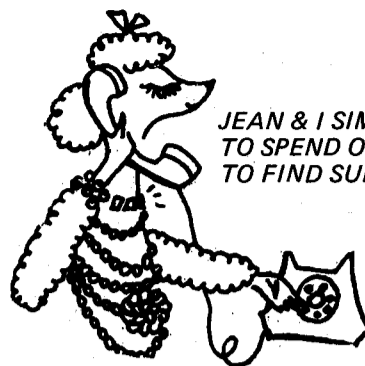
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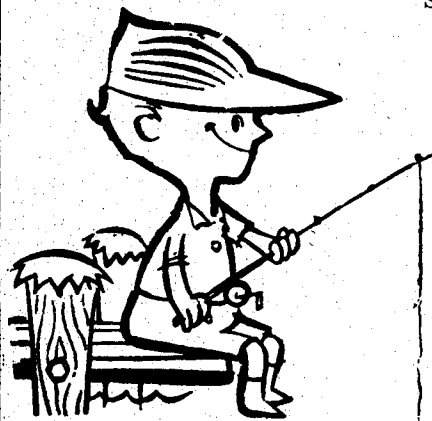
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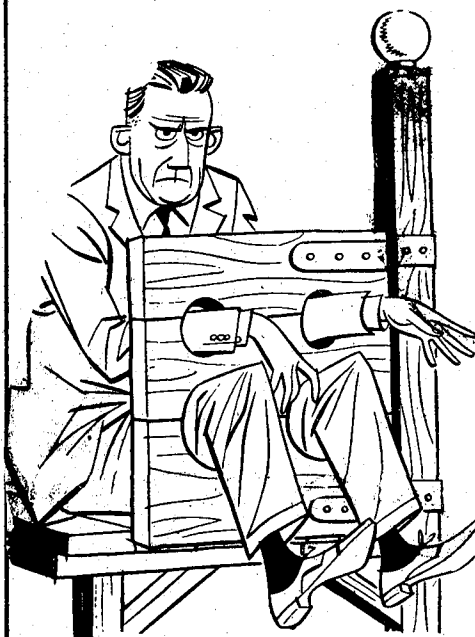
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We had the pleasure of meeting and talking with two lovely ladies, one of whom was one of the first children born on Sanibel, Mrs. William Muir, who was the former Genevieve Cooper, and daughter of Capt. George M. Cooper, and Miss Anne Geraty, Mrs. Muir's niece. Both ladies are guests of Mrs. Gerald T. Martin at the historic Grey Gables home on the Gulf, which once housed the girls' school operated in the 90's by the Misses Lettie, Cordie and Minnie Nutt.

Mrs. Muir was the daughter of a pioneer family on Sanibel. Her father homesteaded property on the island in the Tarpon Bay area, and claimed about 160 acres, all of which is included in the wetlands incorporated into U.S. Government property now. Capt. Cooper was instrumental in the building of Tarpon Bay Road and he was the first Justice of the Peace on Sanibel. Daughter Genevieve was born in a house near the Lighthouse site in 1891. Her father had a fleet of several schooners which operated out of Sanibel Wharf going to Key West and Tampa to the Honduras Islands even. He also brought the mail by boat from St. James City and distributed it from his home as the first Post Office on the islands, in the house next to the present Post Office building.

Genevieve grew up on the islands and attended schools here, and she has some particularly fond memories of Grey Gables, as she met the man she was later to marry, William Muir, at the beautiful old house. He was a Canadian soldier on leave and they were married in Tampa. Then she moved to Paris, Ont., Canada, with her new husband in 1921, but through the years she has returned to visit on the islands, always loving Sanibel as home. In her new role in Canada, she learned to be a librarian and for 22 years worked in the Public Library in Paris, Ontario, retiring from this post in 1966. She still has her home in Paris.

Meanwhile, on one of her visits home, she helped organize and begin the Sanibel Library by cataloguing books and putting them on the shelves. She has some delightful stories to tell of her life on the islands as a girl growing up here, and she is engaged in writing a book on her youthful recollections, and we so hope she will continue with it.

Miss Helen Anne Geraty was born on Sanibel in 1901. Her father, John William Geraty, came to Sanibel from Yonges Island, S.C., to establish a connection with the farming operations on the islands, which were beginning to produce many kinds of farm produce. Due to the fresh water supply available from the Sanibel River, Mr. Geraty sold seeds, fertilizer and other necessities from Matthews Wharf, which later was purchased by Mr. Frank Baily and became the Sanibel Packing Co., and thereby lies another tale for the telling at another time.

Miss Geraty's mother was Helen Cooper, and they only lived on Sanibel for a year after their marriage, moving back to Yonge's Island in South Carolina where Miss Geraty still lives, and where she has been the Postmistress for 22 years, having just recently retired from this position.

Miss Geraty has not returned to Sanibel, her birthplace, since leaving here at age one and of course is charmed with the islands. Both ladies must return to their respective homes in the near future but we hope they will continue to come back to visit, and we particularly hope that Mrs. Muir will continue working on her book of memories, for we are sure it will strike a happy cord for many oldtimers and also bring back some of the forgotten history of the islands. Mrs. Muir was particularly struck by the many changes in the island that have occurred since her last visit five years ago.

Then traveling on up Captiva way, we were shown the new autographed copy of William Damroth's book, "Passport to Nature." The book will not be on the book stands until March 15; but the author gave this autographed copy to David Roughhead, as he had been a guest at Castaways and photographed many of the

beautiful nature pictures on Sanibel and Captiva. Others in the book were taken in Africa and New Zealand, and they are all beautifully detailed in black and white. The book contains an introduction by Arthur Godfrey. On the cover of the book, it explains that Mr. Damroth has set up trust funds; one for conservation purposes and has made two donations of sizeable amounts to Island Conservation groups. He is also the author of the book "How to Win Success Before Forty" (we wish we had been able to read it years ago) and he is planning to retire to Captiva soon.

DONATIONS NEEDED

Donations of boats, motors, canoes and trailers are solicited by the Lee County Environmental Education Project, to enable it to conduct its environmental studies with students in the Lee County School system.

Owners of boats who would be willing to take students out on field trips are asked to volunteer their services.

Photographers who could help take slides of field trips, and artists who could make drawings for field guides are needed.

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Participants entering exhibits will not be asked to donate one piece of art to the Shell Fair as in past years, but will be required to contribute a nominal commission for any works sold. Commissions will be used for the benefit of the Sanibel Community Association and the Sanibel-Captiva Art League. The added space plus the new financial arrangement will undoubtedly attract a large number of entrants.

Although the art department of the Fair is under the direction of Mada Harrison, president of the Sanibel-Captiva Art League, the event is open to all Sanibel-Captiva artists or visitors who are staying on the islands. Mrs. Harrison, Mrs. Harold Robinson and J. W. Snyder will hang the entries in the enlarged outdoor space allocated for this purpose.

All entries for the Fair Art Exhibit must be presented at the Community Center between 2 and 5 p.m., Tuesday, Feb. 29. Artists are asked to observe this deadline for no entries can be accepted after that time. Pictures should be ready to hang when presented as no provisions will be made for this work at the Community Center. The receiving committee on Tuesday afternoon will be Mrs. Joseph Woods, Mrs. John Shepherd, Mrs. Wm. R. Rekshan, Mrs. Robert Haynie, and Mrs. Griffing Bancroft.

Pictures that are for sale will be given preference in hanging. Pictures not for sale will be hung if available space permits. The exhibit will not be a juried show with prizes awarded, but visitors will be asked to vote on "the most popular picture."

Among the well-known island artists who will participate in the show will be Leon Levy, Ann Winterbotham, Jane Bancroft, Dorothy Robinson, Wilb Snyder, Mada Harrison, Grace Shepherd, Helene Sparkes and others.

During the three-day show, various attendants will be on hand at the Art Exhibit to greet visitors and handle sales.

TICKETS ON SALE FOR LIBRARY BENEFIT

Tickets are now on sale for Mario Hutton's Photo-Verse program which is scheduled for March 10 and 11 in the auditorium of the Island Beach Club. This is the second event planned for the benefit of the Library Building Fund.

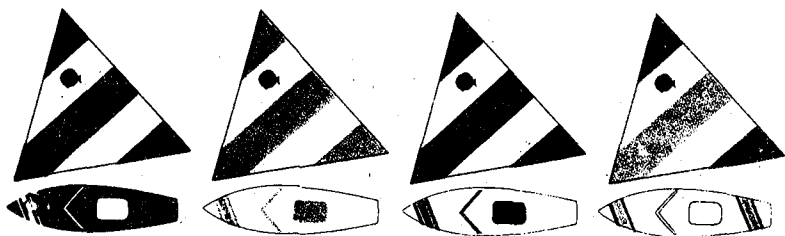
Mary Siegenthaler, who has charge of tickets for this benefit, reports that the Island has been divided into sections and that she has appointed the following captains: Mrs. Howard Yule; Mrs. Leigh J. Bair; Mrs. William Sur; Mrs. George Zajicek; Mrs. John Lawrence; Mrs. Charles Perkins; Mrs. J. F. Kirkpatrick; Mrs. Vernon MacKenzie; and Mrs. Donald Simonds.

Mrs. Leon Levy has charge of door prizes, and Robert C. Haynie, president of the Trustees of the Sanibel Public Library is in charge of seating arrangements and will act as Master of Ceremonies.

Mario Hutton, whose Photo-Verse programs have been known on the Island for several years, has offered his new program, "Vintage 1971" for the benefit of the Building Fund. Mr. Hutton has recently returned from the 72nd Annual Convention of the Florida Audubon Society where he was given a standing ovation upon the presentation of one of his photo-verse programs, and the Trustees of the Library are indeed fortunate in the opportunity to benefit from the premiere presentation of "Vintage 1971."

Among the several parts of "Vintage 1971" is an excerpt entitled, "Red Tide."

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Thumb nail reviews of other parts of "Vintage 1971" and further details about this Library benefit will appear in future issues of the Islander.

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Above the roar of the dozer
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As the jungle he loves is
torn apart,
and with it his source of game.

From this small thickness of jungle
he fed his mate and young.
The skinks and the hoppers are
gone now,
and desolation remains.

He gazes in sadness from one
lone pine.
At the ugly bleakness below.

And his cries are also of sorrow,
for the creatures who made it so.

Where the tall trees cast their
shadows
on the lush green growth below,
A square of concrete houses,
large creatures who are his foe.

From the wash of the Gulf to
the sparkling bay
He cries for attention on high.
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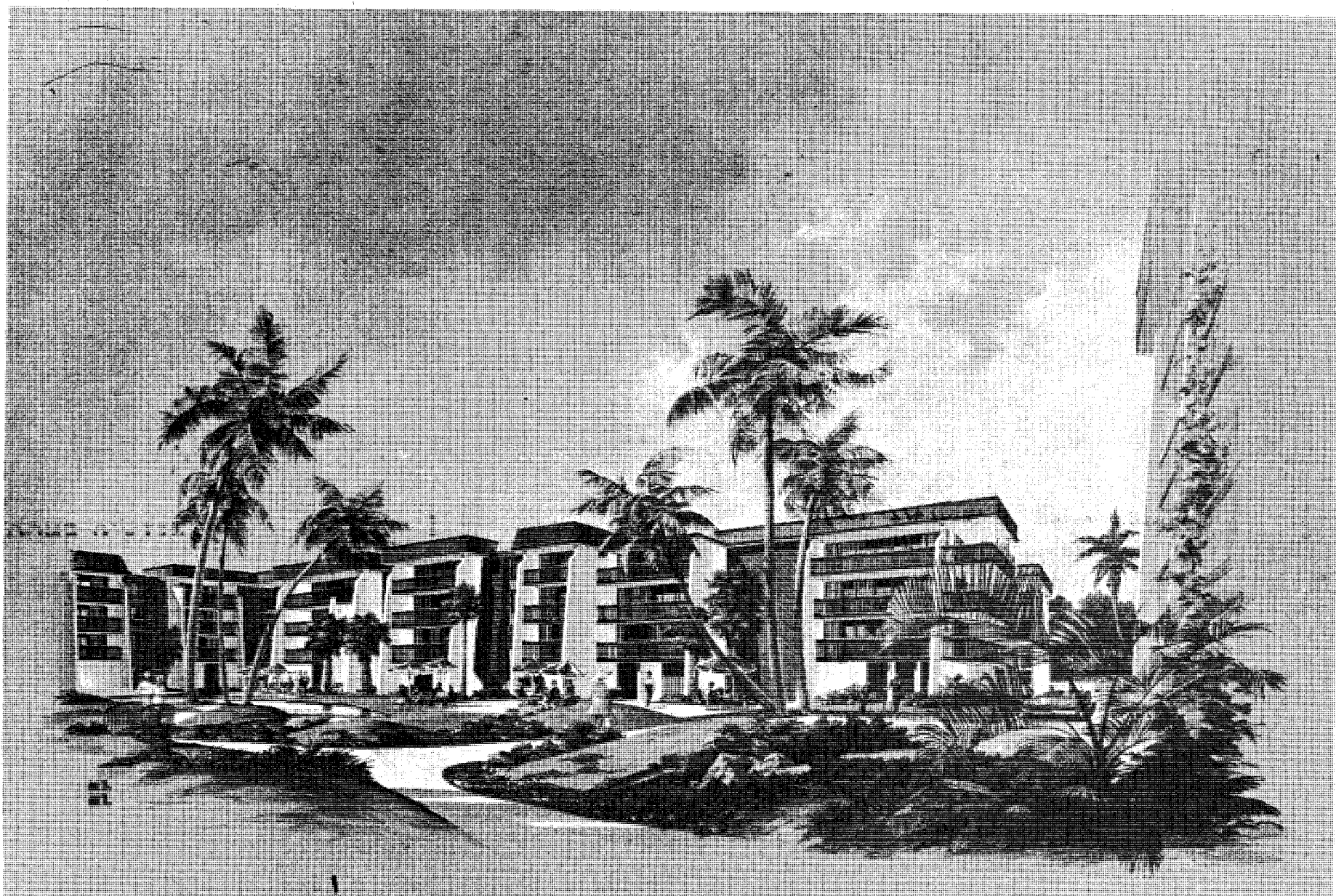
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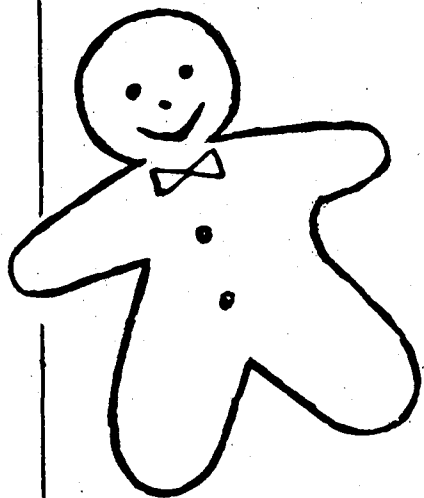
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Mrs. Scribner won a blue ribbon for her collection of world-wide shells. Her collection is very complete with a large and varied selection, beautifully displayed in plexiglass boxes.

Miss Elaine Eker won a blue ribbon with her varied displays of one-family Mitras. Her collection consisted of ten boxes of Mitra shells collected from all over the globe. Mr. Russ Jensen, one of the official judges from the Delaware museum, proclaimed her collection one of the most complete he had viewed throughout the world.

Miss Eugenia Wright won her blue ribbon for her entry of the Murex Genus. Her lovely display of the particular genus with spectacular purple fronds won first place.

All of the above winners will be displaying their collections at the Sanibel Shell Fair scheduled for March 2, 3, and 4 at the Community House.

SENIOR CITIZENS SERVICE CENTER

A comparatively new function in the County is the Senior Citizens' Service Center. It is a non-profit, non-partisan organization for all races and creeds and for people age sixty and up. The director is Rev. Raymond Schember. The Center is located at 1800 Colonial Blvd., just behind the Ford Agency. Program coordinator is Robert O'Callaghan.

The purposes of the Center are to promote the well being of the older person; to anticipate senior needs; to encourage the creative use of abilities of older people; to help them find new roles in life, and to organize, supervise and direct projects and community facilities and services to meet their needs.

During the first year, the plan is for referral, information and counseling to meet individual and family needs of senior citizens, to provide opportunities for volunteers through a time, talent and resource bank and to match these with community needs.

A volunteer workshop with weekly opportunities for volunteers is offered at the Center where the senior volunteers meet other seniors and have a choice of programs. Also there are employment referrals to supplement personal incomes. Adult education classes and seminars are available for the senior citizen to help broaden and enrich his skills, knowledge and leisure.

Adult volunteers are needed to help with home-making, emergency transportation, home visits to shut ins, etc.

The Center is funded in part by the U. S. Administration of Aging through the Florida Bureau on Aging and the United Presbyterian Presbytery of West Florida. The present facilities are provided by the Mount Hope Presbyterian Church, but the Center is non-denominational. Hours of operation are currently 9 to 5 Monday through Friday but closed Wednesday afternoon.

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Back for a return visit from Washington, D.C., are Mrs. A. Lubin and her mother, Mrs. S. Sharpe. Enjoying Sanibel for the first time and planning to return are Mr. & Mrs. Jack Chenery of Grafton, Wis.

Other guests enjoying their stay are Mr. & Mrs. W. Schwengel of Champaign, Ill., Mr. & Mrs. Virgil Sandstrom from Minneapolis, Minn., and from Richmond, Ind., Mr. & Mrs. John Hill and Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Livingston.

SURFRIDER MOTEL
by Kathy bunnell

We welcome Mr. & Mrs. Van Shappard of Columbia, Tenn.; they are trying the fishing and enjoying the sun. Mr. & Mrs. Bickerstaff, Jr. of Chattanooga, Tenn., are enjoying the month here with our nice weather. Mr. J. Avallon and his family are from Swamscott, Mass., and the children are having a ball in the pool.

Mr. & Mrs. Roy Simmons of New York are really doing well with the shell collecting and the Charles Halsey and daughter are enjoying the sun and visits from friends. The Harne Dennis' of Nashville love the beach and sun and have no desire to leave. Mr. John Prichard and family from Lyncroft, N.J., are friends of the owner, Mr. Such, and Mr. Prichard was a schoolmate of Mrs. David Jorgenson, the Suchs daughter. Mr. & Mrs. Nesbitt of Ottawa, Canada, are enthralled with the warmth and the Dale Rennebohns of

Minneapolis, Minn., are just delighted with Sanibel and our beautiful beach.

Mrs. Kenneth Turner from Tomkins Cove is here for a month. Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Taylor of Pickerington, Ohio, are relaxing as are Dr. & Mrs. Godfried who are here for some R&R. David and Frances Abel and daughter Bess are here for a much needed rest, and Mr. & Mrs. Fred Stendler of Lancaster, Pa., and Mr. & Mrs. Harnish of the same city are here to get away from the cold.

Mr. & Mrs. Pope of Wiscasset, Maine, are enjoying the green foliage and the warmth. The Cahills of Massachusetts are here with their family for a week's res. Mr. & Mrs. Dave Teicher of Dix Hills, N.Y., with their two children are here for a little holiday.

I would like to add that I have been in the Sarasota Hospital for surgery and while there I received some lovely cards and flowers and I wish to say thank you to everyone for your prayers and kind thoughts.

HARVEY

Harvey continues at the Pirate Playhouse playing to packed houses and sometimes it seems that the laughs can be heard as far away as Dixie Beach Road, or mixed up with the roar of the surf in the other direction.

The cast playing every role to the hilt is headed by Philip Hunter as Elwood P. Dowd. Joining him in this great comedy are Jean Bair, Pat Slater, Virginia and Don Bissell, Duane White, Ted Fonda, George Brinkworth, Bob Dormer, Ruth Hunter and Priscilla Murphy who plays "Pet" Doctor Chumley's wife.

Harvey, Feb. 27, curtain 8:15, Box Office, 471-1692.



HUNTERS THING

Hunters Thing playing again this Saturday, Feb. 26 is just that; Ruth and Philip Hunter "Doing Their Thing" which is acting.


In this venture they have chosen widely diversified theatrical fare "The Withering Look" by Harold Simpson which they got in London along with "Isle of Umbrellas" last summer, and two scenes from the play, Reluctant Debutante, which opened the Pirate Playhouse in 1965.

For the third presentation, the Hunters will perform "Please Call Me Sol" by Rena and Stanley Waxman which has delighted audiences wherever it is played, aboard ship on a world tour in 68, the Cape Coral Woman's Club, etc. Pat Slater, whom everyone remembers as Myrtle May in Harvey, appears for a brief moment as the Reluctant Debutante by William Douglas Home, (brother of England's once Prime Minister).

A timely treat for audiences will be Chinese records between the acts. Ruth and Philip brought these back with them from Taiwan.

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Sun.	Mar. 12	Harvey
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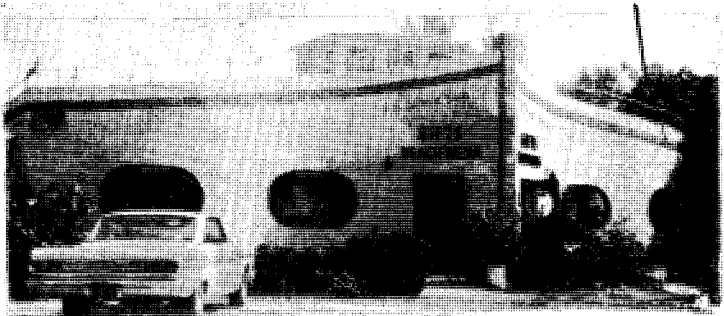
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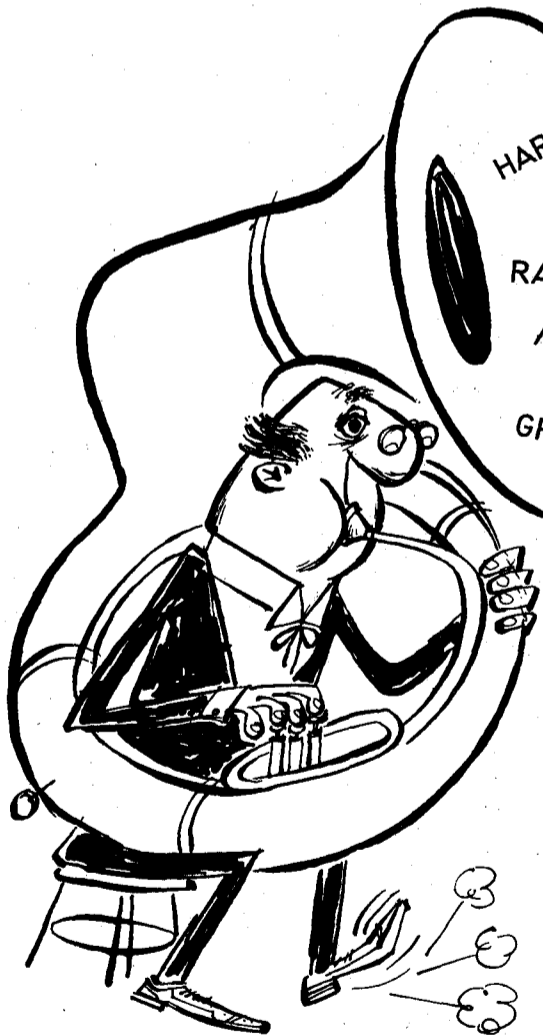
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