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## **County Approves Erosion Study**

The County Commissioners about faced in the Erosion Control Study for Captiva on Wednesday when a large group of islanders appeared at the Commissioners meeting rrom in the Courthouse to speak for the study. On Oct. 19, a group of 13 residents went to the Commissioners to protest the Erosion Control Study, saying that it was a use of public funds for erosion studies of private beach properties, and at that time, the Commissioners indicated they would not match funds with the Captiva Erosion Control Board's funds, but when they received a petition signed by 146 residents of Captiva, and a good number of them showed up to argue the points of whether money could be used for the beach erosion study, the Commissioners agreed that it should appropriate \$25,000 for the study with matching monies contributed by the Captiva Erosion Control Board.

Paul Stahlin spoke for the group. It is a pre-designed study which may well prevent the island from not only eroding at the beach levels, but eventually breaking

into the interior of Captiva.

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# Packed House Hears Planning Board

The Sanibel Community Hall was packed with an overflowing crowd on Nov. 30 when President of the Planning Board, Dr. Vernon MacKenzie, presented the "Master Plan" to interested Sanibel and Captiva residents. Commissioner Walter Shirey and many others were present to hear about the plan that the committee worked a year to formulate. The committee was composed of the Sanibel-Captiva Planning Board, the Community Association, the Chamber of Commerce and the Ding Darling Wildlife Refuge personnel. Walter Shirey acted as chairman for the open meeting, and on Wednesday the same plan was presented to County Commissioners at the Courthouse by Dr. MacKenzie.

Under the revised land use program, the number of acres zoned for multi-unit development would be cut from 960 to 472 acres with a maximum density of 8 units per acre instead of the 18 apartment units and 22 motel units now allowed by the county.

The number of acres zoned for single family residences would be increased to over 3,000 with the half an acre the minimum lot size for newly platted areas. The multi-unit and duplex zoning on the southern part of Captiva would be replaced by planned unit development or "cluster housing" with a maximum density of six units per acre.

The plan necessarily calls for many growth limiting restrictions in order to preserve the intrinsic values of the islands and maps out given areas of expansion and zoning. Population of Sanibel would be limited to 36,000 instead of 92,000 as is now planned.



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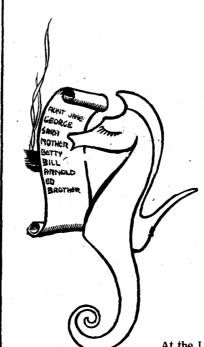
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Sanibel COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, Inc., Sanibel Community House, 1st Tuesday, 6:30 p.m.

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BOY SCOUTS meet 7:30 p.m., Saturday nights at the School.

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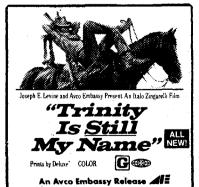
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DONALD CARPENTER, a guest at Shell Harbor Inn found a hairy triton (Cynatuim Pileare). This is only the fourth known speciman found on

Gulf from all angles.

Another guest of Shell Harbor, Mrs. KENNETH SNOW has found two golden olives to add to his collection. He now has a total of 5.

KAY CASPARIS of Blind Pass is back with us after a bad scene in the hospital in Ohio. She is on the rapid road to recovery we are happy to report. And by the way, Blind Pass is no longer blind, you know, since "Agnes" opened it up, and now people are wondering how long the bridge between Sanibel and Captiva will withstand the rushing tides that tear under the bridge.

Mrs. DAVID JORGENSON (Helene) and Son, JON, are visiting her parents, Mr. & Mrs. WILLIAM SUCH on East Gulf Drive. Helene is a student of Marine Science, also a very avid sheller. Mr. & Mrs. William Such are spendin g a few days in Nassau, Bahamas.

Mrs. WILLIAM S. DENNIS, Jr. of Atlanta, is back on Captiva for the season, too.

### THE COLONY GUESTS

Guests at The Colony are Mr. & Mrs. Walton Marsh of Miami; Mr. & Mrs. M. O'Toole and family of Maumee, Ohio; the J. S. Fentresses of Chevy Chase, Md.; Dr. Warren and Dr. Ruth Morris of Toledo, Ohio; the Thomas Daffron party of Suffern, N.Y.; Mr. & Mrs. Maurice Ernsberger of Wilmington, Del.; Mrs. & Mrs. Robert Ross and family of Troy, N.Y., and Dr. & Mrs. L. . Magre of Ithaca, N

### ISLAND INN

Guests at Island Inn include Mr. & Mrs. Herman Seid of New York City: Mrs. Claude Dixon, Rochester, Minn.; Miss Naomi Picquet, Kirkwood, Mo.; Mrs. Peter Bohan of Kansas City, Mo.; Mr. & Mrs. Lee Brown, Dade City, Fla.; Dr. & Mrs. Philip Pfalzerat, Batavia, Ohio; Mrs. Wallace C. Dayton of Excelsior, Minn., the George Cooley of Renssaelville, N.Y.; and from Atlanta, Ga., Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Sierer.

From Windemere, Fla., come Mr. & Mrs. C. W. Margetts and Mrs. H. Donovan; Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Chapman Radnor, Pa.; and Mrs. Charles Weichert of Cincinnati, Ohio.

#### THANK YOU

The Ladies Guild of the Sanibel Community Church wishes to thank everyone who helped to make its recent Bazaar a great success.

To all the ladies who worked so hard, many, throughout the year, the husbands who helped at Bazaar time, and of course, to our many patrons we extend a sincere thanks!

## WHO'S WHO AND WHY

Thanksgiving at the PURDYS was like old home week. Seventeen family members and family friends sat down to enjoy turkey and all, including daughter SUE and RICHARD FRIDAY and their young 'un LAURA LEE, and the ROBERT HAFFS. Then after getting all settled down from that, old friends, the PETER VANDERLEES, came to delight them from Amityville, N.Y., and Punta Gorda, where they have just purchased a

Mr. & Mrs. W. F. DEKNATEL from Traverse City, Mich., are staying at the MICHAEL REDDY home on Captiva for December. Mrs. Deknatel is the daughter of Mrs. GEORGE EAGER, long time resident of Captiva. The Deknatels will be joined shortly by their children and grandchildren for the Christmas holdiays.

Mr. & Mrs. HARRISON P. EDDY. Jr. who were here for Thanksgiving will be returning to Captiva in early spring to be joined by her daughter and husband.

Mr. & Mrs. HERVEY ROBERTS of Sherwood Forest, N.C., and former residents of Captiva will be coming back to the island soon and they will stay at the WILLIS COMBS' guest house. Mr. Roberts is well known as an island botanist, and Mrs. Roberts is well known in weaving and contributed many hours to the Captiva Library.

JOHN G. and HELENE SPARKS are here on Captiva. She is a noted artist who will be resuming her art classes and instruction after the first of the year.

Another artist of note is Mrs. HAROLD B. ROBINSON. Both she and Mr. Robinson are down from their Annapolis, Md., home for the winter.

Mr. & Mrs. CARROLL SUDLER have just arrived after spending Thanksgiving in their Jamaica home. They will be here for the season and before returning to their Lake Forest, Ill., home, Mrs. J. BEACH CLOUGH will be a guest over the holidays with the Sudlers at their Captiva home.

### SEGUNDA APARTMENTS

Carefree vacationers at the Segund this week include Prof. & Mrs. John Wolf, long time friends of Sanibel. I Wolf is a specialist in 17th Centu European history and the author of number of works in his field now i print worldwide. He is currently on the faculty of the University of Illinois. Mrs. Wolf, a professional psychologist, is utilizing a portion of her stay to proofread the text of a new book on the history of psychology that she has recently authored.

Also with us this week are Ralph and Mary Bodnarczuk, returning from Clifton, N.J. Among other diversions, conducting an informal study of the habits of our local alligator population. Mr. & Mrs. Shradha Nand and their two daughters, down from Elkhart, Ind., have diligently amassed an enviable shell collection. Mr. Nand wins this year's honors as the Segunda guest hailing from the most distant point. He

comes originally from the Fiji Islands. Of the many inveterate fisherman who regularly visit the Segunda, none is more dedicated (or knowledgeable) than Bill Kuenstle, back again this week from Philadelphia, for his sixth visit of the year. Bill is easily maintaining his title as compleat angler, but is giving the fish a little vacation by spending some of his time planting trees on his property in Sanibel Lake Estates.

Along with us this week are Mr. & Mrs. James H. Grissom of Florissant, Mo. They are finding our islands captivating, and the pace just right for excellent loafing.

Joining us shortly are Mr. & Mrs. Edward R. Olsson, first time visitors from Shaker Heights, Ohio, and Mr. & Mrs. John Minarcin, coming from Rossford, Ohio. We also look forward to another visit in the near future from Bill and Bea Stoneburner, our good friends and perennial guests from Fort Lauderdale.

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Sanibel group at the Parthenon in Athens, and getting seated for a lecture. Marn Carnahan is dusting off her seat and being watched by Freda Iurka, Nippi Long, Margaret Walters. Also shown are Jim and Ruby Elliott, Leigh and Jean Bair, Cornelia Hallowell, and Lucy Beplat.

#### TOUR TO GREECE (PART II) by Winifred Iurka

Saturday, Sept. 9, we drove by bus to Piraeus where we embarked on a small ship which was to take us to the Island of Hydra, most atmospheric with its quaint shops, tavernas and gaily painted fishing boats. We stopped also at Aegina, another of the Saronic Islands, famous for its temple of Athena Aphaea of about 500 BC.

On Sunday we left Athens at 8 a.m. by motor coach to Corinth, Mycenae and Nauplia, where we stopped for lunch and a lovely swim in the crystal clear waters of the Argolis Gulf. The beach was thick with beautifully colored strange-patterned stones. The roadside was bright with wild flowers, bougainvillea, mimosa, and the abundant jasmine which filled the air with its sweet scent. We also visited the Epidaurus, one of the most accomplishments of · Nauplia

On the way we paid a visit to the monastery at Mystra. Besides the beautiful view from the top of the hill Mystra will be remembered for the torturous climb to the top and down again. Olympia was a different story. It was moving to stand in the Olympic Stadium just when the awful tragedy was taking place in Munich. Here the Olympic games were first held in 776 BC where they were repeated every four years until the Roman Emperor Theodosius banned them in 394 AD as a pagan festival. We visited the Temple of Zeus Olympius, the world's first hall of

Our hotel, Zenious Zeus was charmingly rural and we were awakened in the morning to a chorus of farm animals and the ringing of bells on goats grazing in a nearby field. I think we were all a bit sorry to leave Olympia. The trip from there by way of Patras to Delphi was interesting and we reached Delphi by way of Aegion car ferry. Delphi, 2000 ft. up on Mt. Parnassus, "the navel of the world." At the lovely hotel Amalia we had little balconies adjacent to our rooms overlooking the Ionion Sea. The town all up and down hill produced many interesting and expensive little shops.

The museum was impressive with many carefully and painstakingly restored artifacts. We were told that nothing can be restored in Greece unless 75% of the object had been recovered. Of course, the real pride of the museum was the bronze statue of the Charioteer. His wide open eyes of enamel, the pupils of onyx, eyelashes, spikes of thin bronze and the teeth represented by a strip of silver. (To be continued)

At the book again impressed by the sculptures of Scopas, 4th Centruy BC. But Sparta was Sparta and it was hard to believe that the Spartans had once overcome the Athenians. Shops and people were sparse and somewhat drab. Our hotel was nice enough and very clean and the food Greek and delicious.

We shall remember Sparta also for the earthquake. Wednesday, Sept. 13, as we were about to arise, the building suddenly began to shake, furniture to move about and chandeliers to swing wildly. In the street a few natives knelt to pray and make the sign of the cross. Those of us oblivious as to what was really happening felt we must prepare for something. We dressed hurriedly and made for the hall only to find that some of the doors had jammed. It was all over, thankfully, in a few minutes. Later we found that it was one of the worst quakes that had occurred in recent years but no damage was reported. We left later in the morning and proceeded to Olympia.

#### DING DARLING REFUGE **NEWS**

Robert L. Barber, manager of the J. Ding Darling Refuge, Sanibel, presented a \$13,564.72 check to County Commissioner Walter Shirey on Nove. 28, 1972. This money represents the annual payment from the U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife to Lee County under the Revenue Sharing Act. This year's check is an increase of \$3,851.11 over the 1971 payment.

Public law 88-523 provides for payments to counties in which National Wildlife Refuges are located. The funds are computed on the basis of 3/4 of 1% of the adjusted cost of all lands which have been purchased in the county for the J. N. Ding Darling National Wildlife Refuge. The county is to use the money for schools and roads.

The December meeting of COPE, Community Organization for Patients with Emphysema, will be held on Tuesday, Dec. 12, 1972 at the TB and Respiratory Disease Association of Southwest Florida, 3643 Palm Beach Blvd. in Fort Myers. The meeting will begin at 7:30 p.m.

Mr. Carl Hess, head of the Inhalation Therapy Dept. at Lee Memorial Hospital will be the guest speaker.

COPE is open to anyone interested in learning more about emphysema and its accompanying problems. Family and friends are invited and refreshments will be served.

#### CORPORATION FORMED

Secretary of State Richard (Dick) Stone today announced the chartering of the following corporations:

Latham Corporation (4-11831) Periwinkle Way and Casa Ybel Rd., Sanibel Island, Fla. (Lee Co.) Auth St: 25,000 shs com @ \$1. Filed: Oct. 31, 1972. Dealing in: Any lawful business. Incorporators: Ronald W. Smalley, Fort Myers, Fla. Filed by: Ronald W. Smalley, Esq., P.O. Box 280, Fort Myers, Fla.

#### PEBBLES

Thoughts and quotations from a poet's journal:

"Thoughts are timid things. They are frightened away by noise and they make none themselves. They flutter as silently as do owls on soft-edged wings. So fragile a thing as a thought must be pursued with gentleness, and every man should have a sanctuary to which he can flee when needful of composure, a place for meditation, for contemplation on the universe and his place in it."

- Dale Rex Coman, "The Endless Adventuré," p. 176, Regnery, 1972. Copyright (c)

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

TO THE ISLANDER:

I see on the masthead of your paper the following words: "Devoted to the interests of Sanibel and Captiva Islands."

This leads me to writing to you in the hope that you will publicise the article by Rice Odell which appeared in the August 15, 1972 issue of WORLD Magazine and which vitally affects the residents of Sanibel-Captiva, since I assume that the islands receive their water supply from Fort Myers.

I spent some weeks on Sanibel during 1972 and was appalled by the bad taste of the drinking water there. So I was not particularly surprised when I read in the article that Fort Myers belonged to one of the communities that have not met U. S. Drinking Water Standards.

My interest is not purely theoretic?' since I intend to live on Sanibel in th near future and I would like something to be done about this grave shortcoming before I settle there. As I believe in community action in a democratic society, your paper will live up to your proud statement on your cover by informing your readers of the dangers inherent in drinking the island water. I feel sure that only an informed public can do something to change the status

Thank you for your attention to this serious matter.

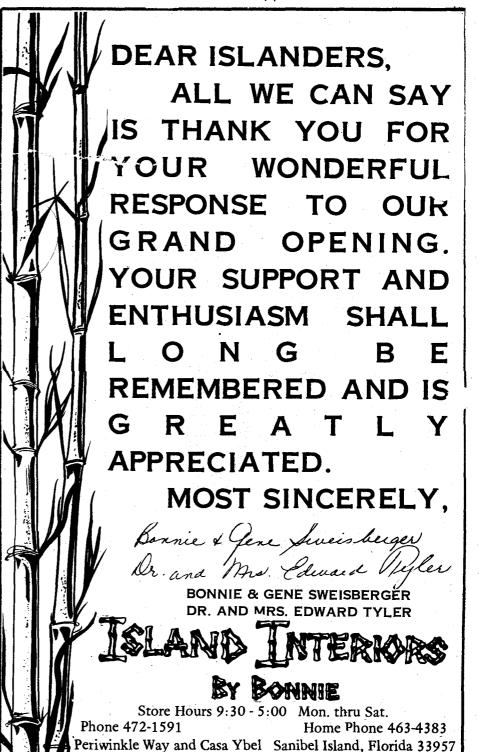
/s/ Mrs. Hilda Rush

Ridgefield Park, N.J. Ed note: The Island Water Association, which receives its water from the Pine Island Water Association supplies the Islands, not Fort Myers. We assume Mrs. Rush ran into some sulphur water.

#### TO THE ISLANDER:

I think our Planning Board sure worked hard, however, I missed \*- 9 touch of a woman's hand in the w. set up, so I suggested we do something pretty soon about a cemetery on Sanibel Island. Ye good old Planning Board wanted us to sing out, so here's my song, Let us Plan for a Cemetery.

/s/ Ruth Hunter





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Many area residents from Fort Myers, Fort Myers Beach and Naples attended as well as a large turn out from the Islands. Also their were guests from as far away as Sarasota and Tampa. Among special guests were Mr. Traverse Cundiff, sculptor, and wife of Sarasota. Mr. Cundiff did most of the wall and table sculpture featured at Island Interiors.

Winners of the door prizes Friday night included LeeRoy Friday of Sanibel who won a \$25 gift certificate and Nelda Cheatham who won a \$10.00 gift certificate.

Saturday's Open House was also a great success. A heavy flow of Islanders continued through the day. Guests enjoyed viewing the traditional, tropical and contemporary furniture groupings and accessories and object d'art from around the world. A collection of watercolors by Don balke was of special interest to the Islanders. Visitors found Mr. Balkes exotic birds and lush foliage very exciting as well as a very colorful painting of the Sanibel Lighthouse.

Winners of the door prizes Saturday included John T. Butler of the Island Inn who won a \$50 gift certificate and Mrs. R. L. Ordeman of Sanibel Moorings who won a \$25 gift certificate.

Bonnie and Gene Sweisberger invites everyone to stop by and say hello. Browsers are always welcome.

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Children of the Sanibel Elementary School will have an art exhibit on Dec. 9. Their paintings, through the cooperation of Principal George L. Dissette, will be a part of the Conservation Celebration to be held that day at the Sanibel Community

There will be no admission charge at the affair arranged by the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation and free coffee and doughnuts will be served from 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. And don't forget there will be music with Scotty and Dwight Wilson and their guitars.

The Lions Club and Girl Scouts will have a container for your aluminum cans which will be used for re-cycling. Bring them in and bring your questions. They will be answered by experts in all phases of conservation and civic affairs.

You will enjoy the displays of plants, shells and animal life. Local artists have donated door prizes to be drawn every half hour.

Watch for posters on both islands to remind you of the time and place.

The annual meeting for members of the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation

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For those who like to walk and investigate the Florida ecosystems more closely a conducted tour over the Bailey tract foot-trails is scheduled for Thursdays at 10 a.m.,

starting from the Bailey tract parking lot.

The following is the December schedule of refuge tours: Thursday, Dec. 7, 1972, Wildlands Hike, 10 a.m. Bailey Tract. Monday, Dec. 11, 1972, Wildlife Drive, 9:30 a.m., Lighthouse.

Thursday, Dec. 14, 1972, Wildlands Hike, 10 a.m., Bailey Tract.

Monday, Dec. 18, 1972, Wildlife Drive, 9:30 a.m., Lighthouse. Thursday, Dec. 21, 1972, Wildlands Hike, 10 a.m., Bailey Tract. Thursday, Dec. 28, 1972, Wildlands Hike, 10 a.m., Bailey Tract.

Friday, Dec. 29, 1972, Wildlife Drive, 9:30 a.m., Lighthouse.

There will be no tour on Christmas and New Year's days. These tours will take place on the following Fridays.

For reservations and information, call the refuge office (472-1100).

A list of scheduled tours will be printed at the beginning of every month so we suggest, if you are interested, to clip above for your use.

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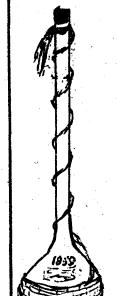
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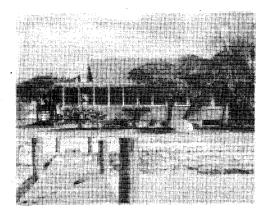
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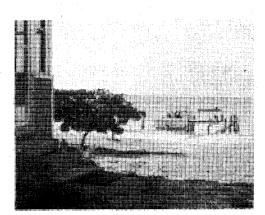
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Readers noted that the Darling tract is a nursery for marine life. This fact has

several economic implications. Were such estuaries and mangrove swamps destroyed by draining and filling, a significant decline in our national commercial fisheries would appear, due to the fact that many commercial species are dependent on salt water wetlands for reproduction. The destruction of some of our New England wetlands has already resulted in the extinction of certain food fishes. Sportsmen too contribute economically for the products of the salt water swamp-estuary, fish, waterfowl, game mammals. Millions of dollars are poured into national coffers via game licenses and stamps, ammunition, bait, tackle, guns, sports clothing, camping equipment, supplies and food by these hunters and fishermen. Much of this money. in turn, is spent to secure, restore, or encourage wetland protection.

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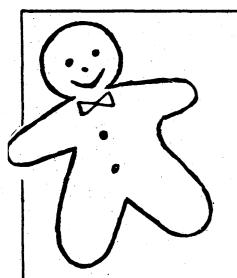
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#### SCHOOL NEWS

The Chrismas program which all the children of Sanibel and Captiva have been preparing for will take place on Thursday, Dec. 14, in Mrs. Winan's room in the evening. Parents and friends of the school are invited to attend the gala. Children will exchange Christmas gifts at the party following the musical program, which has been under the direction of Mrs. Dorothy Norris, music teacher at the school.

Then the next day, children will be out of school until Jan. 2, 1973 for the Christmas vacation.

#### **GUILD CHRISTMAS MEETING**

The Ladies Guild of the Sanibel Community Church will hold its December meeting on Thursday afternoon, Dec. 14, at one o'clock, at the home of Mrs. Hal Irwin.

The co-hostess will be her sister-in-law, Mrs. Elliot Irwin.

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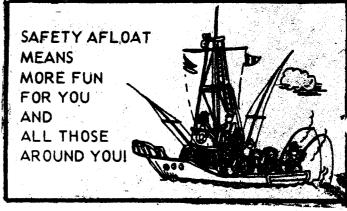
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#### WILDLIFE NOTES by griffing bancroft

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Or why, when you pass a dead animal along side the road, there are often not one or two but a dozen or more vultures feeding on the carcass?

The answers are that this is all part of the complex but little understood (by man) systems of communication which birds have developed.

The vulture you see lazily soaring in the sky is doing more than just watching for food on the ground below, which he does almost entirely by sight. He does have olfactory organs that can smell, or detect odors, but they are rudimentary in all

His eyesight, however, is vastly superior to that of man, and while he is searching the earth below him, he also has an eye on other vultures searing in the sky in the distance.

If one of these starts downward, indicating he has sighted something edible, our vulture will speed over to his area and come down along side of him. Other birds have seen this and they, too, join the parade. So it is not by accident that there will be a whole flock of these carion eaters assembled whenever one of them finds food.

The gulls also assemble when they see one of their kind getting food, but in their case there are a couple of refinements that have been developed in their evolutionary history, refinements that benefit the species if not the individual.

Detailed studies have been made of these birds and ornithologists have discovered the following:

If a gull in his scavenging finds just a little food he gulps it down silently. But if he finds a large amount, more than he alone can eat, he utters a special "food finding" call that other gulls as far away as two or three miles can hear. They lose no

If the gull is in the air when he spots food, for example you with a loaf of bread, he has a special figure-eight pattern of descending flight which tells other gulls he is not going down just to rest or preen, but to eat. And they are invited to join the

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The United Way in Lee County is still underway for the yearly financing of 14 charitable organizations, including many that help not only children who are in need, but those with mental and physical disabilities, and their families. Sanibel has made a greater showing in their financial aid to these unfortunates by contributing \$7,062, but more is still needed. Captiva, too, has contributed a large amount for the needy of the county. They have given \$3,050, under the leadership of Mrs. Max Hayford. Norman Chambers heads the Sanibel

collection, and he resides at West Wind. Anyone who has not been contacted to contribute to the United Way may contact these chairmen and someone will hurry to you for your donation.

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#### A WINDOW WITH CHARACTER

There's a new window at the Pirate Playhouse. It is really a handsome frame which once graced the prize winning painting "The Clam Dinner" from the collection of Ralph Salerno of Port Washington. The curtains of gold are from Virginia Marshall of the advertising agency on Fifth Avenue, known as Cunningham and Walsh, The tassel and

cord which are in the center once held up the drapes in the library of the J. P. Morgan Mansion at Glen Cove, Long Island. They were a gift to the Hunters from Mrs. Paul Pennoyer of Locust Valley, the daughter of the financier, J. P. Morgan.

It all adds up to a look in to the box office at the Pirate Playhouse and a look out to the beautiful Australian pines and moon flowers which adorn the other side of Periwinkle Way. How lucky can you get?

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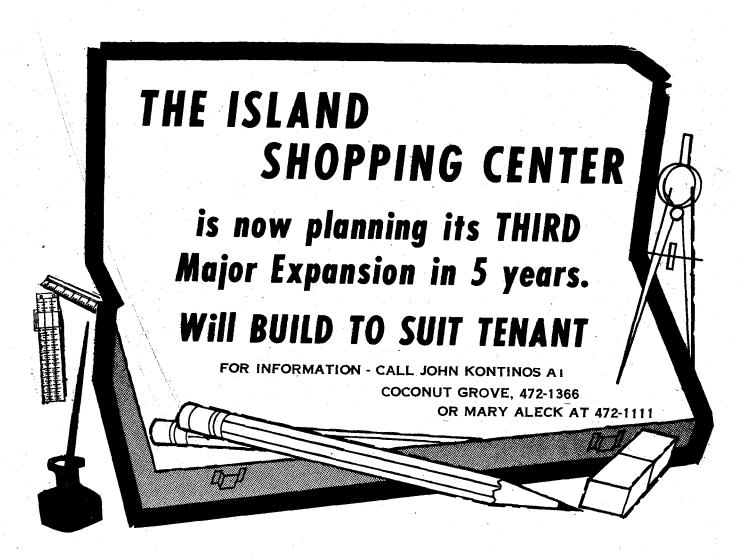
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A group has formed to try and push forward the proposed Master Plan's recommendation for bicycle paths on Sanibel.

The group's initial plans call for a display at the Conservation Foundation's Celebration this Saturday and for a Hike & Bike Day on Saturday, Dec. 16. The latter will include a bicycle rodeo and bicycle races.

Watch next week's Islander for more details.

#### **BLUE GOOSE**

The third play to be presented at the Pirate Playhouse this seaon, The Blue Goose, is in rehearsal with a company of comedians everyone will enjoy. There's Don and Ginny Bissell. Elaine Patton, Don Modrall, Pat Slater, the Reynolds, John and Helma, joined by Earl Reynolds and the Hunters, Ruth

When a matron goes in for singing Gilbert and Sullivan, the fur flies along with a mayor who doesn't want to be mayor any more. It's a clever play, a wholesome play, and a play with a plot. For performance nights, see the Christmas issue of The Islander which will give every date for the 1972-73

#### SURFRIDER MOTEL

George & Wilma Widican from Okron, Ohio, are here for some much needed rest and relaxation. They and many of their friends here have noticed the great trend in building, so are very happy to be enjoying this beauty.

Bob and Jean Ost, along with daughter, Hillary, from Barrington, Ill., are enjoying the beach, pool, shelling and some of the many friends they have met over the years that they have been coming here. Charles and Barbara Harmon and son Charlie from Bloomfield Hills, Mich., are on a return visit. Mr. & Mrs. A. J. Sorensen are new visitors to the islands from South Point, Ohio. Mr. & Mrs. Harry A. Green of Dayton, Ohio, are returning visitors and are looking forward to much rest and shelling. Mr. & Mrs. Joe F. DeFoor and family are here shelling, swimming and enjoying long walks on the beach.

Other returning guests from the Buckeye State are Karl and Julia Reimold with children, Tracy and Marty, from Northfield. Mr. & Mrs. R. M. Cavauan from Rochester, N.Y. are newcomers and here from Hollyhill, Fla., are Mrs. Ethel Mary Elliot and Mrs. Sarah Jane Drake. Thomas and Anne Quinn from West Chicago, Ill., and children are here to enjoy beaching, swimming and sightseeing. Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth French and family are swimming, shelling and resting on Sanibel; they're from Harrison, Ohio.

Ray and Mildred Vogt and daughter Vicky of Naperville, Ill., have been enjoying fishing and resting at the Surfrider. Mr. & Mrs. C. E. Mitchell of Highlands, N.C., are vacationing away from their summer motel there and enjoying R&R as they do each winter here. Another motel owner and his wife are Mr. & Mrs. Glenn Rupp who are here for a winter vacation far from Pennsylvania's snows. Rev. Shelton and Helen Clarke of Richmond, Va., are on a winter vacation also and are enjoying a reunion with old friend, Rev. Adano Ley of Tyler, Texas. Mr. & Mrs. John J. Tenn of Darien, Conn., have been loving the swimming and shelling. Mr. & Mrs. R. E. Hock and friend, Mr. Alex Jovanozich, all of Dayton, Ohio, have been vacationing, and Mr. Jovanozich is house hunting.

Three couples who have been having a good time together are Mr. & Mrs. John Ogilby, Mr. & Mrs. C. J. Smith and Mr. & Mrs. Grant Hamilton, all of Ville de Lery, Quebec, Canada. Mr. & Mrs. James Cordray and children have been enjoying the pool and shelling on the beach. They are from Hamonet, Ill. Mr. & Mrs. Robert Horn of Grafton, Wis., are down to miss some snow and ice and also visit friends and relatives in the Fort Myers area. The Fred Weizmans and party of Beechwood, Ohio, are also resting and sunning on the beach.

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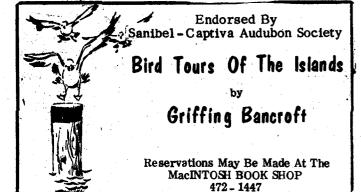
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Those wishing a hearing should write Commissioner Shirey and request a formal appointment.

#### LIONS CLUB NEWS

The Sanibel-Cativa Chapter of the Lions Club wined and dined their ladies royally at the Island Beach Club, Wednesday night, Nov. 29. Following an excellent dinner, a versatile and fast moving floor show was presented. Featured performers were dancers Diane Davis and Julie Woodring; singing stars LeeRoy Friday, Duane White and Robert Dormer; plus pianist, composer and vocalist par excellence, Marian Chaplin. The presentation was produced and directed by Bob and Cookie Dugger who also contributed a couple of sparkling tap dance numbers. A session of ballroom dancing concluded a wonderful evening.



Mr. Elgin Tom of Columbus, Ohio, showing his catch of snook and trout.

#### BEACHVIEW COTTAGES

Summer guests returning to the Beachview for the Thanksgiving Holiday were the J. D. Lynch family from Altamont Springs, Fla.; the Gerald Abbott family and Mrs. Abbott's parents, Mr. & Mrs. Putt from St. Petersburg, Fla.; the Berl Pitmans, Longwood, Fla. Other Florida guests were Keith Carlson, Miami; the R. Conners, Miami; the Kenneth Gerhardts of Ormond Beach; the William Beckers, Ft. Lauderdale; the George Leovys of Naples; and the Richard Gallaghers of Miami.

Out of state visitors included the T. E. Dorsts, Plymouth, Mich,. who purchased a home near Fort Myers; the Don Manchesters of Cincinnati, Ohio, who purchased a home on Sanibel; the A. G. Jehle family of Cincinnati, who are interested in buying a business on the island, and the N. C. Youngs of Windsor, Ont. Mrs. Young painted a number of pictures of the Beachview and other scenes on the beach. Mr. Young was an avid sheller and added greatly to his already large collection.

The Elgin Toms are here again from Columbus, Ohio; Mrs. Tom is finding a lot of new shells while Mr. Tom is landing snook every day. The Clyde Rainbolts of Odell, Ill., are great shellers and are waiting to see the next moon shot. Prof. Jim Wilson and his wife, Louise, have returned to the Beachview for the winter; he has had a new book published "The Ordeal of Mr. Pepys's Clerk." This adds to his other literary accomplishments. He is busy all the time but is glad to help the inexperienced sheller with names and cleaning suggestions, and always ready with a poem or limerick for the occasion. Louise is on the beach mornings and afternoons picking out the best of the shells. The A. H. Bickerstaffs of Chattanooga, have returned to greet all their Island friends and to see if the fishing is as good as it was last summer.

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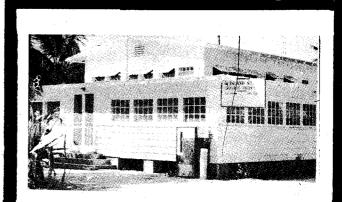
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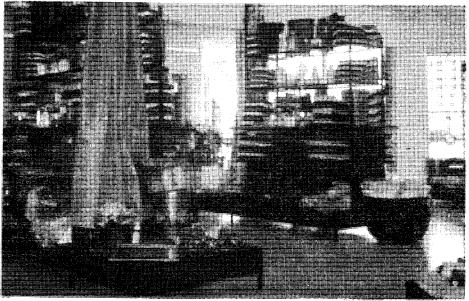


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The store is owned by Mercedies and Stan Overholser and June Nunnink. Mrs.

Nunnink will manage the store.

To celebrate the grand opening an Open House will be held Dec. 7, 8 and 9 from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. A beautiful finger tip towel, a \$2.50 value will be given free with each \$5.00 purchase or more. A free "Golden Dolphin" rose will be given to each



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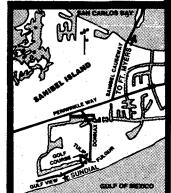
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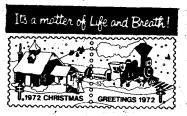






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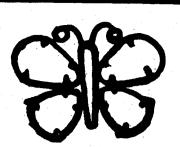
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If so, the Sanibel Public Library can help you. This Saturday, Dec. 9, at the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation's annual celebration in the Sanibel Community House from 10:30 to 3:00, the Library will have on display books on conservation that you may later borrow. The library staff has taken inventory of its entire stock of books to be sure that the most important ones dealing with conservation are brought to your attention.

There is not enough space here to list them all, but the exhibit undoubtedly includes many that you have heard about --- many that you have intended to read and never got around to.

For example, have you read Rachael Carson's great classic, "Silent Spring?" Yes, it was published 10 years ago, but its message is still new and sorely needed today. If the events that this book evoked (or failed to evoke) are of interest to you, then by all means read "Since Silent Spring" by Frank Graham, Jr. This is a guide for the embattled citizen and is filled with suggestions for doing things to change the situation.

Barry Commoner, often regarded as America's best informed and most articulate spokesman for the safeguarding of man's environment, will give you much to think about in "The Closing Circle." Thought provoking, too, is Walter Hickle's "Who Owns America?" You will recall that Hickle was President Nixon's first Secretary of the Interior, so he speaks with authority.

For Floridians I cannot recommend too highly a pair of books dealing with our local problems: "No Further Retreat" by Raymond Dasmann and "The Environmental Destruction of Southern Florida" by William Ross McCluney. Dasmann touches Sanibel Island in his message.

The Sanibel library offers so many more; "The Inland Island" by Josephine W. Johnston; "Wild Sanctuaries" by Robert Murphy (a big book beautifully illustrated); "The Eleventh Hour" by Alexander B. Adams; The National Georgraphic Society's new publication, "As we Live and Breathe" which is sub-titled "The Challenge to

Then there is the Milne's new offering, "The Cougar Doesn't Live Here Any More;" and several juveniles including George Laycock's "Animal Movers" and "The How and Why Wonderbook of Ecology" by Shirley and Mary Louise Grossman; and many, many more.

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When I first saw Elaine Patton acting in a Pirate Playhouse production I had an inkling right then and there that she had had professional experience, and I was so right! I soon learned that this talented and pretty actress had played in TV serials, off-Broadway plays and given innumerable radio commercials before moving to the islands nine year ago. Like so many others who have moved here to live, Elaine's life is far different from the grueling hours spent in front of TV cameras or behind footlights and, as she says, "much more pleasant."

Born in Evanston, Ill., where her father, W. W. Watts was then associated with Montgomery Ward and Co., she was to attend 21 schools in almost as many years. "We moved around so much that many times I went back to a school I had attended

a few years before.

Eventually, her father became vice president of RCA Victor and was one of the former owners of South Seas Plantation on Captiva.

Elaine Patton's love of the theater started when, as a child, she listened to her grandmother's accounts of theaters she had attended while living in London, England. "Grandmother would sit by my bed at night relating these experiences, often quoting Shakespeare and even Gilbert and Sullivan verbatim. I would listen starry eyed to these stories of a fairy-tale world."

It wasn't however, until she enrolled in Packer Collegiate Institute in Brooklyn that Elaine began the serious study of dramatics. After graduating from this Junior College, she enrolled in NYU and, later, Columbia, to continue this study, graduating

with a BS degree in Theater Arts.

Philadelphia and a secretarial job in the promotion department of TV station WCAU came soon after. It was here that she met a Hollywood director who had come to WCAU to direct the first TV western serial "Action in the Afternoon" and was offered the part of "Red Cotton," owner of "The Copper Cup Saloon." This five-day-a-week half hour serial ran for over a year emanating from Philadelphia over

"These were live shows," she explained, "and we had an indoor and an outdoor set. The outdoor set encompassing two acres complete with cattle and horses. Our day began at 8 a.m. which involved blocking and camera angles. After lunch we were back on the set for costuming and makeup; then four hours of rehearsal before air time from 4 to 4:30. Our day was by no means over after the show as we studied the next day's script until 6:30.'

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After the role of Red Cotton, pretty saloon keeper, came the off-Broadway plays, little theater work in and around Philadelphia, and radio commercials.

Now Elaine Patton keeps busy on Sanibel by selling real estate, but keeps her "finger in the pie" so to speak, by still appearing on-stage. Once again we'll have the fun of watching her in the forthcoming Pirate Playhouse production "The Blue Goose" as the eccentric Mrs. Pigot. The play opens January 14.

Whether it's off-Broadway or on-Periwinkle Way, Elaine is still bringing entertainment to theater goers and still receiving rave notices!





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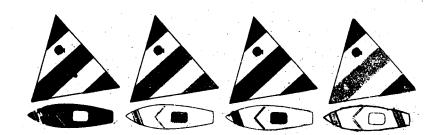
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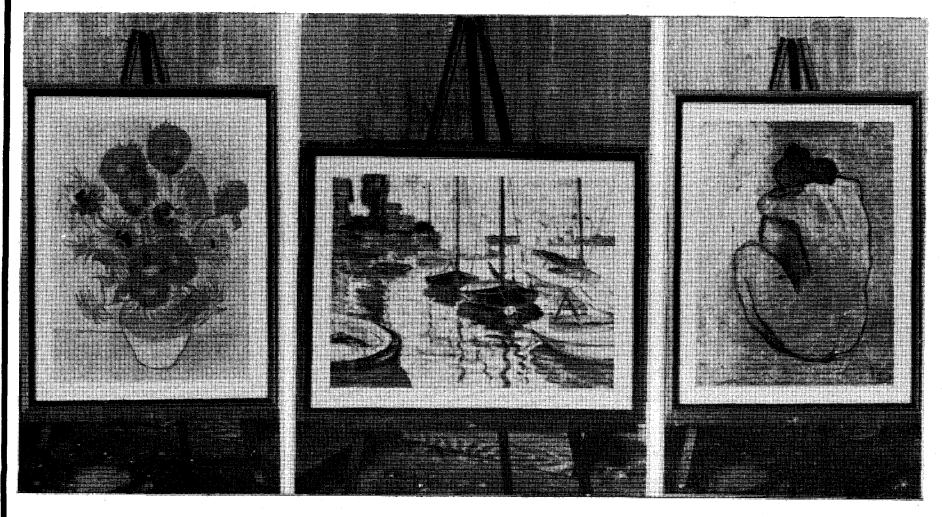
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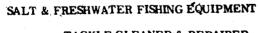
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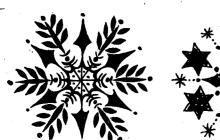
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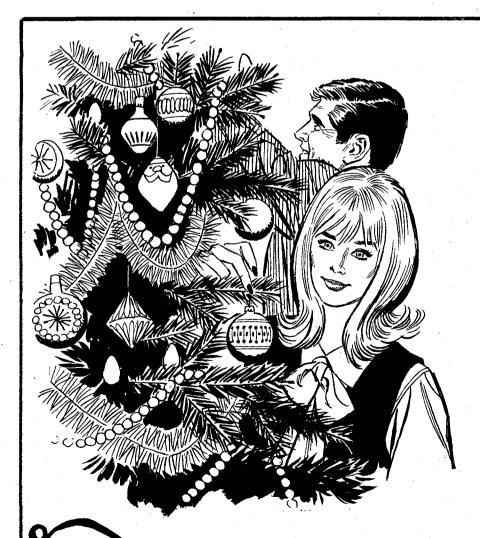
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