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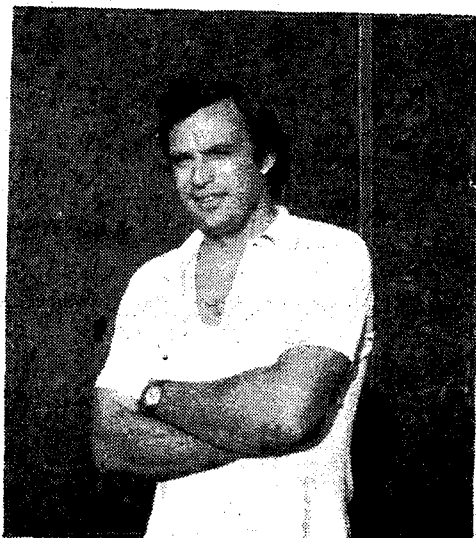
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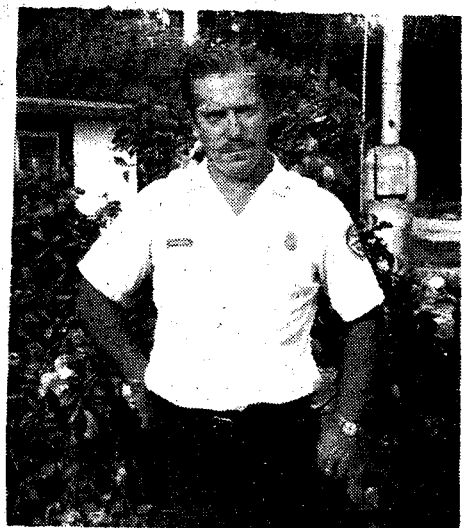
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ASTROLOGICAL HINTS FROM THE ZODIAC
by Madam Dorinda

ARIES: You could be making travel plans this week, and if so will run into some delays or problems. Accept the chance to be of service and do remain calm and optimistic.

TAURUS: Keep valuable ideas to yourself or you may find them stolen. Quarrels this week are likely with a partner over financial matters. Really listen to one who needs your attention and affection.

GEMINI: This is a good time for happiness in a love relationship, also publicity or selling. Don't interfere in others' arguments, pay more attention to organizing your own affairs.

CANCER: Your mate will have a problem that calls for caution and planning well. Be aware of things around you, especially in business. Try not to be petty or listen to gossip.

LEO: Travel opportunities possible for you and you will finish a project to beautify your home or office. Be sure you really want it before you sign that contract.

VIRGO: Take the one you need to impress to outdoor recreation. Don't make changes that will disrupt your regular routine. Take care of insurance, or matters relating to property.

LIBRA: There will be some difficulty relating to your work this week, but it will be of short duration. You will receive more mail and phone calls and likely draw premature conclusions because of haste. Tell the persistent one no.

SCORPIO: You will have ideas that can increase your finances which will work well. Be practical and don't downgrade your abilities, and you will be able to make things move faster.

SAGITTARIUS: Curb extravagance or you will be in strong disagreement with your family. Listen to seniors, or your reputation will be in danger. Pay attention to your premonitions for best results.

CAPRICORN: Pay close attention to matters relating to your health. Good news this week in regard to a legal matter. A good friend will be helpful in a financial matter.

AQUARIUS: More than usual social activity for you this week, careful not to overdo it. Don't neglect routine matters in work. Sidestep disagreements with co-workers.

PISCES: Temporary difficulties with a partner or love interest is likely. Use tact when dealing with people who are important to you, and you can accomplish what's needed with young people or children.

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Wanderin This Way . . .

by Jeanne Soper

Impressed with the bird sanctuary in Periwinkle Park are Lois & Dorman Ross & their children, Cindy, Dale, & Jenny Post. They are from Hamilton, Ohio.

Lester & Emma Ahrens from McFarland, Wis. came down to Sanibel way back in the fifties when the ferry was running. Now they are sorry to see that trees have been uprooted to make way for big buildings on the beach.

They left five inches of snow back home. So say John & Nancy Hayden and their children, Gail & Brian, from Livonia, Mich. They are glad to be here fishing & swimming.

To Periwinkle Park came a party of 39. There are 16 girl scouts, teenagers, 6 leaders and 1 bus driver. They are camping here purely to enjoy shelling and hiking and to work on merit badges. They found the camp management accomodating.

Frank & Ruthe Wilson and their daughter, Jackie, are from Syracuse, N.Y. It is snowing up there. They are glad to be here.

John & Sherry Roesch, from Cincinnati, Ohio, say that Sanibel is their favorite spot in Florida. "It is still primitive. There are no highrises."

"There are better shells here in Sanibel than anywhere in Florida." So say Shirley & Frank Kisner, & their daughters, Janice & Joyce, from Baltimore, Md.

Paul & Jean Johnson, from Madison, Wis., find Sanibel ideal and Periwinkle Park charming and the most relaxing place ever.

In their travels, Joan & Charles Miller, from Cleveland, Ohio, find that Sanibel Island is their favorite.

Peter & Sue Low and their children, Nadine & Chrissy are from New Orleans. They regret seeing condominiums on the shore line. They feel that the fishing & sea life will be adversely affected.

They always like Florida say Ray & Elizabeth Myers from York, Pa.

Sharon & William Sprott & their children, Alan & Kenneth are natives of Florida and they love it. They now live in Albany, Ga. They said, "Periwinkle Park is the nicest camp we've ever been in. It is beautifully clean."

Charles & Charlotte Downen are from Eatontown, N.J. They have come to Sanibel for four years.

David & Lida Spofford, from Leno, Mass., have been here before. They love Sanibel, but dont like seeing it being built up.

From Maumee, Ohio, come Cathy & Jay Ferguson, & their children, Kim & J.J. They have been here before and they really want to explore the islands this time.

Enjoying their stay are Richard & Doris McLaughlin, from Fairfax, Va.

Traveling together are John &

Betty Specker and Erma & Luis Valdez, from Anna Maris Island, Va. They said, "We love Periwinkle Park. It has natural beautiful landscaping."

Patrick & Cyndee & son & Jan Wyllie from Indianapolis, find the shelling great.

"We like it here. Sanibel has a quieter atmosphere than back home and Periwinkle Park is real fine; one of the best." So say William & Norma Preston, from Kissimmee, Fl.

Lucy & Bob Brown, from Westchester, Pa., have had "terrific luck" shelling. They call Sanibel "Paradise."

Gene & Virginia Lake, from Toledo, Ohio, agree. They exclaim, "Sanibel Island is the closest thing to heaven we've ever seen. Fishing is great."

From Sri Lanka, south of India comes Thea Schokman. She is with her brother and sister in-law, Larry & Colleen Schokman. Covering everything she's seen here, she said, "Fabulous!"

Jules & Gina Weatherlow come from Lancaster, Pa. They are here for a month or two. "It's good to be back," they say.

Back in Idaho Falls, Idaho, there is snow. That's where Robert & Clara Swanson come from: They appreciate the weather here and are impressed by the number of shells.

Sheryl & Jody Weingarten come from New York. They are newlyweds taking an exploratory adventure trip cross country to Arizona, where they plan to settle.

Staying at By the Sea Motel are Robert & Madeline Zumstein, from Pompano Beach. About Sanibel & everything here: "We're crazy about the whole place."

THE COLONY GUESTS

Out of state guests this week include: Mr. & Mrs. Ed Stone of Salisbury, N.C.; Mr. & Mrs. Robert Somers also of Salisbury, N.C.; Mrs. Bertha Greenspan of Wilton, Ct.; Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Muller of Nashville, Tn.; Mr. & Mrs. James Andersen of Willoughby, Oh.; Mr. & Mrs. Henry E. Spire of Hummelstown, Pa.; Mr. & Mrs. C. Connolly and Family of Rochester, Mi.; Mr. Robert E. Holmes and Family of Warren, Mi.; Mr. & Mrs. Glen Shaw of Lyndhurst, Oh.; Mrs. Henry M. Wilson and Shelly, of Peoria, Il.

Our Florida guests this week include: Mr. & Mrs. Posetti of Lakeland; Mr. & Mrs. Roach & family also of Lakeland; Dr. John P. Graham and party of Fort Lauderdale.

Mr. & Mrs. DAVID M. RHODES of Live Oak Drive are the proud parents of a baby boy, DAVID MICHAEL, who was born in Lee Memorial Hospital on Nov. 24. David weighed in at 14-3/4 lbs. and mother, child and father are all doing well. Mrs. GRACE RHODES is the secretary of Mr. FRANCIS BAILEY at Bailey's General Store.

Dr. WOOD SMETHURST, wife LUCY, and children from Atlanta, guests at the Castaways this week for the first time, were "absolutely delighted" with Sanibel. As one would expect of interesting people, he, a lecturer-author at Emory University, and she, the vice chairman of Georgia Conservance got "involved" while here. Mrs. Smethurst, a lay botanist, collected plants including a wild poinsettia from the Castaways. Dr. Smethurst reported a sick Cormorant to C.R.O.W.

Dr. Smethurst is the author of a book about to be published by McGraw Hill, "Teaching Young Children to Read." A primary reading series will be available from Houghton Mifflin next summer.

Mrs. Smethurst says the Georgia Conservancy is similar to Audobon and the eighteen chapters in Georgia are involved in land use planning and environmental education.

The J. R. SWALLEYS of Ft. Lauderdale, regulars at the Castaways, visited over the holidays and as usual brought a host of friends, including a famous one, RANDY JOHNSON. Randy is the quarterback of the Hawaiians Football Team of the World Football League.

A NEW ARRIVAL

Mr. & Mrs. Gene Karr (he was former manager of Sanibel Island's delightful B-Hive) are the proud parents of a son born November 19. Master Adam Gardner Karr weighed in at 9 lbs. 7 oz. The Karrs have one other son, Hunter Matthew Karr, age 2.

RECEPTION FOR DR. LITTLE

Dr. Hervey Ganse Little will be honored at a reception given by the Board of Captiva Chapel-by-the Sea on Wednesday, December 11 at 5 p.m. at 5 p.m. at the Captiva Community House.

Dr. & Mrs. Little are now residents in the Manse near the Chapel.

Everyone is invited to come and spend a social hour with the Littles.

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The Creative Arts

AUDUBON OPENS SEASON DECEMBER 19

The Sanibel-Captiva Audubon Society opens the 1974-1975 season Thursday at 8 p.m. on December 9. The first show will be a combination slide and commentary on "The Wood Stork - A Battle For Survival" given by James L. Hansen.

All programs are held at the Sanibel Community House on Thursdays at 8 p.m. All are open to the public and donations are gratefully accepted.

This year, Charles and Ella Newell are conducting an island bird identification course. There will be indoor classes on Tuesdays and outdoor field trips on Thursdays during the month of January and first week of February. The meeting place will be at the Island Cinema.

The registration fee is \$3. For more information and advance registration, please call 472-1406.

A complete list of the Sanibel-Captiva Audubon society's schedule will be printed in full in the December 19th edition of the ISLANDER.

THEATRICAL COURSES OFFERED

As of December 7, area residents will have a chance to learn and practice the art of the theatre. Patricia Phares, resident actress at the Barn Theatre, Iona Road and Thornton, is offering two twelve week courses, meeting every Saturday morning.

One course is an acting workshop for students grades 9 through 12. The workshop will meet from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. Saturdays. This call will give high school students the chance to learn the basics of acting as they are taught by many of the New York schools.

The other class is a mime workshop for adults 16 years of age or older. Mime, or panimime, as it is commonly called, is the art of creating illusion with the body. Marcel Marceau has made mime popular in America and the approach in the Barn's workshop will be the same as is taught in Marceau's school in Paris. Mime is a great way to stay trim. It combines acting with dance but adults need not have had formal training in either to take the course. This class will meet from 11:30 to 12:30 a.m., Saturdays.

Miss Phares has studied with the National Shakespeare Company and received her teaching degree from Indiana University. She appeared as Charlie in the Barn's last production, "Goodbye Charlie," and will play the mute in the upcoming show, "The Fantasticks," which opens December 4.

The cost of both workshops is \$3, per class. There will not be a class on December 28, so that families can share the Christmas vacation. Both workshops will meet at the Barn Theatre. Those interested should call 481-1972. To reserve a spot before classes begin on December 7.

CERAMIC LEAGUE TO HOLD DINNER-MEETING & CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Ceramic League of Fort Myers, Inc., membership will enjoy a dinner-meeting and Christmas party on Friday, December 6 at 7:30 p.m. This meeting will be held in the Apollo Room of the Sheraton Motor Inn, Cleveland Ave., Fort Myers.

Fellowship, entertainment and gift exchange, along with seasonal ceramic table decorations and candle lights --- all planned to make this Christmas a memorable one.

SHELL CLUB NEWS

The Shell Club held its first meeting of the new season on Wednesday, November 20, at the Community House on Sanibel. All the new officers were in attendance together with approximately 50 members and guests.

At the suggestion of president, Fae Muller, it was moved and passed to donate \$200. to the building fund for the new community house.

The guest speaker, Mrs. Helen Denny of Sanibel Isles gave a most interesting and information talk on how to hunt and clean shells; and in general, how to appreciate the bounty that is ours on Sanibel and Captiva. Mrs. Denny has donated her fabulous shell museum to her alma mater, Duke University.

The next meeting of the Shell Club will be held on Wednesday, December 18, at the community house, featuring the annual Christmas shell gift swap.

ISLAND ARTS

The unrelenting downpour of last Saturday afternoon succeeded in putting a damper on the Island Arts' scheduled sidewalk show. Due to the inclemency of the weather, the sidewalk show was abandoned for the most part, although demonstrations in macrame and decoupage were conducted within the portals of the Island Arts' showroom.

On Saturday, December 7, from 2 to 4 p.m., Island Arts on Periwinkle Way will present a demonstration by Martha Fiedler Medina for the public's visual delectation. Mrs. Medina has studied at the Rhode Island School of Design, the Vesper George School of Art, and has shown her work in juried shows in New England, Massachusetts, Connecticut, and Florida. According to the "Millford Citizen," 1970: "The paintings of Mrs. Martha Fiedler are those of a seasoned artist who has worked in many media. Having lived several years in Japan, she is accomplished in several Japanese art forms, such as Japanese watercolor, Sumi brush painting, Japanese flower arranging, Bonkei and Bonseki."

At the present time, Mrs. Medina is residing and conducting classes in Oriental Brush Painting in Lehigh Acres, Florida.

The show will be held inside, safe from any malignity of the elements whatsoever.

POWER SQUADRON TO HOLD DINNER-DANCE PARTY

Celebrating the grant of the Squadron's charter in December 1968, San Carlos Bay Power Squadron will hold a dinner-dance party on Tuesday, December 10.

The party will be held at St. Raphael's hall on Randy Lane, Fort Myers Beach, starting at 6:30 p.m. In addition to an excellent dinner-dance, door prizes and favors for the ladies will be given away. Past Commander Edwin H. Richards, in charge of entertainment, has promised some real surprises, surpassing the entertainment of last year's celebration.

Guest of honor will be District Commander Frank Parker who, accompanied by his wife, will come from Sarasota. Since this will be a fun party no uniforms will be worn by Squadron members.

Any visiting members of the USPS are welcome to attend, and all Squadron members are urged to bring guests. For more information call Lt. Cdr. Clark Ash at 463-2336 or Past Commander John Des Reis at 463-9107.

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Community Center Christmas Show



Bob Dugger shows Barbara Humphreys some new steps for the dance number she and a few other island girls will be doing at the Community association's Christmas program on Dec. 17. (photo-sanibel, inc.)

HOLDEN F. HILLS

Holden F. Hills, 63, of Sanibel Island died Nov. 26. He was a retired insurance agent for Massachusetts Life Insurance Company.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Anina Hills of Sanibel; one daughter, Mrs. John Hodge of DeWitt, NY; two sons, Peyton Hills of Syracuse, NY, and Holden F. Hills Jr. of Springfield, MA; one brother, a sister, and five grandchildren.

The body was sent to Fairchild-Meech, DeWitt Chapel, DeWitt, NY, for service and burial.

ROBERT S. BRAY

Robert S. Bray, of 1121 Skiff Place, Sanibel, who served for 15 years as director of the Division for the Blind and Physically Handicapped of the U.S. Library of Congress, died last Tuesday. He was 59.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Virginia Bray of Sanibel; four sons, Robert S. Bray, James Bray, Paul C. Bray and Philip Bray, and two grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Friday at the St. Michael's and All Angels Episcopal Church, Sanibel, with the Rev. James Hubbs officiating. Pallbearers were William Morton, Samuel Berney, Donald Modrall, Harley Woods, James Archer and Richard Workman. Burial was in Fort Myers Memorial Gardens Cemetery.

This year's Community Center Christmas Show has been tentatively slated for the night of December 17 at 8 p.m. Robert and Cookie Duggers will be producing and directing this season's musical offering.

Bob Duggers is presently rehearsing a group of Island girls for the chorus line. According to Mr. Duggers, Lee Roy Friday, an excellent tenor, will be only one of the singing attractions featured in the show. Many of the numbers in the show, including the "Christmas Polka," are original compositions by Marian Chaplin. Mr. Duggers hinted that the grand finale of the show will be centered around a small group of dancers from the Island Square Dance Club.

The Christmas Show will follow the Community Association's monthly banquet at the Sanibel Community Center. Following the meal, the doors will be opened to the general public, who are warmly invited to attend the show free of charge.

ROYAL PALM NOVELTY BAND AT TOURIST CENTER

Life truly begins at 60 if you want to be a member of the Royal Palm Novelty Band which will be giving a free performance at the Tourist Center Hall of 50 States, Wednesday, December 11, 1974, at 7:30 p.m.

The group, whose ages range from 60 to something above 80—is led by Clarence Kistner. The 14 member band plays such diversified instruments as the Kazoo, Tambourine, piano, gut bucket, and drums, and other small instruments; while other members of the group do comedy acts and pantomimes to old favorite tunes.

All "Happy Wanderers" and residents are invited to "Tiptoe Through the Tulips", "March thru Georgia", or forsake "The Sidewalks of New York" to the Tourist Center for "A Hot Time in the Old Town Tonight". Listeners can be any age.

First U.S. study of Red Tide approved through Gunter Amendment

The 1975 appropriations for the Department of Health, Education and Welfare includes the first allocation of federal funds to study the potential health hazards posed by Red Tide.

The funds are contained in a \$34,949,000 appropriation for the National Institute of Environmental Health Services as one of a number of research programs to be pursued next year.

U.S. Rep. Bill Gunter (D-Fla.), with the support of 30 coastal state sponsors in the House, worked with Sen. Warren G. Magnuson in the Senate and Daniel J. Flood in the House to have the program added to the Labor-HEW Appropriations bill. Magnuson and Flood chair the subcommittees which allocated the funds. The exact amount to be applied to the Red Tide research effort will be determined by scientists and most likely directed from research labs at Triangle Park, North Carolina.

"It is important that this study get underway as rapidly as possible," Gunter

said, noting that there have been increasingly frequent and longer-lasting outbreaks along Florida's Gulf Coast and in New England.

"The scientific evidence suggests that Red Tide irritants to the human respiratory system and skin are carried in particulate rather than gaseous form raises serious new scientific questions about the possible human health hazards. Until now, almost all the research has focused on the natural phenomenon itself, rather than on the human effects."

What limited research in even this area has been undertaken by states and universities. Gunter credited Chairman Paul Rogers of the House Public Health and Environment Subcommittee and Interior Committee Chairman James Haley for strong support in having the item added. Both Floridians sponsored the effort as did Reps. Dante Fascell, Bill Chappell, Claude Pepper and L.A. "Skip" Bafalis.



Cleveland Amory as he spoke to Conservation

foundation members last Saturday on Sanibel.

by Richard Arthurs

Widely acclaimed columnist, critic, author, man of letters, Cleveland Amory spoke at the annual meeting of the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation at the Sanibel Community Center last Saturday night. Mr. Amory had spent the entire day on the Islands --- sightseeing, talking, furthering the cause of wildlife preservation. All in all, the 150 or so persons in attendance at the lecture were treated to a thoroughly enjoyable evening of levity.

Mr. Amory was preceded to the speaker's platform by Dick Workman, his guide around the Islands for the weekend, and by Bill Damroth who made the introductions.

Mr. Amory joked about his childhood in the Boston area and made light of his days at Harvard and of families that date back to the Mayflower crossing in his opening remarks. He spoke briefly of the bullfight he had seen in Mexico which converted him to the path of wildlife protection, but dwelled for some length upon the "Hunt-the-hunters Hunt Club," an idea which he hatched during the course of a "Today Show" interview ten years ago. This idea, he said, was spawned by his learning of an annual rabbit-beating festival held each year in Harmony, North Carolina, called the "Harmony Bunny Bop." He justified his proposed organization with the words, "Hunters are breeding like flies --- we're simply out

to trim the herd a little." Mr. Amory responded to the criticism that hunters might become an endangered species with a proposal to raise hunters in "National Hunter Refuges." All of the above ideas he has systematically developed to a much greater extent in his most recent book, "Man Kind?"

Mr. Amory was distributing buttons saying, "Support your right to arm bears!" the proceeds of which went to support wildlife preservation agencies.

The novelist cautioned the audience that it is going to be a hard fight against wildlife destroyers. He cited the case of the mustangs of the Western plains: too numerous to be considered an endangered species, they had to be declared "A National Reserve and National Heritage" to insure their protection. Said Amory, "What man has done with wild animals will be seen as on a par with negro slavery in the years to come."

With respect to his tour of the Islands, Mr. Amory called for a halt to "some of the damndest development here I ever saw." The renown writer ended his plea for wildlife protection with the words, "Conservationists are finally being heard, and on this beautiful Island you've got a chance to be a part of it."

At the conclusion of his talk, Mr. Amory was presented with a copy of William Damroth's latest wildlife poster.

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A Different Sort of Journey

[Continued]
By Ruth Hunter

The surroundings at Hilo, Hawaii challenges one for an accurate description of their beauty. Perhaps one of the most striking things is the wild and lush growth of flowers, particularly the antrims, a hill of rhododendrins at Akaka Falls, and strange red flowers six feet high which prompted a very personable young man, our ship's engineer to exclaim, "Oh Man."

One could see why our great hero Charles Lindberg chose to die in Hawaii. To come so close to the biggest active volcano in the world is something you remember the rest of your life. We stood for a long time drinking in its wonders and thinking of the Almighty.

There's an old inn at its ridge where many U.S. Presidents have stayed. It is furnished with age old antiques and its story is a fascinating one.

Oddly enough I had my first taste of a macadema nut in Hilo and are they ever good! I ate them furiously while I watched a school of whales.

There was an auction aboard ship just before we landed in Los Angeles. Our old luggage went for a tidy sum to add to the tip pool for the crew. Next morning, a young Chinese woman who was going to attend the University of Chicago handed me a small Chinese cigarette holder she saw me bid on the night before and didn't win. I shall use it in the play "Girls in 509" at the Pirate Playhouse this season.

Sad to say goodbye to new friends you've made during a long voyage but there were our old friends waiting on the pier, my high school chum from Chicago, and the wife of the leading man who appeared in my first Broadway play, John Ferguson. The City Center Theater in Los Angeles has curtains which cost \$250.00 each to clean and everybody in the audience wore long gowns. It's pretty poshy for it cost millions and millions to build. I couldn't help but think of our little arena theater in our century old Schoolhouse which has entertained thousands for 11 years which proves, "The plays the thing" after all. Robert Morse and the cast were very good in "Sugar" but it didn't seem worth all the fuss. What intrigued me a great deal more in Hollywood was a visit to the 'Oh Dolly' set which was made for Barbara Streisand in "The Matchmaker." The

railroad station, the Harmonia Gardens Restaurant, the bank, the streets, everything is perfect of the 1880's and a fake because nothing has any insides - just the fronts for the movie picture.

Amtrak took us to Chicago and I couldn't resist a visit to my childhood home. That song, "Back in the old neighborhood, things aren't looking so good" is sure true. But then there's that poem, "I remember, I remember, the house where I wash born, - Where mother was in the kitchen and the sun came in at morn."

We had time to visit the Art Institute. For some reason or other there was a huge picture of Mao Tse Tung blocking a staircase - it was about 30 feet by twenty. We admired some new acquisitions, "Paris on a Rainy Afternoon" and "The Lark," and an old one El Grecco's "Assumption." We had a special treat to see in the Joseph Winterbotham collection (cousin of Gulf Drive's George) the famous painting of the New Hampshire farmers, man and wife.

Amtrak is lots of fun now. There's bingo - we won seven prizes - and movies and the Amtrak employees are great. The waiters in the dining room look like the ones in "Oh Dolly" and handsome stewards imported from Czechoslovakia in red uniforms, make up your bed. The conductor was interested in Philip and me because his son was a moving picture actor - he had pictures. He gave me two railroad spikes for souvenirs and some Amtrak almonds. The passengers on the train were all very friendly in the Dome Observation Car, when we stopped at different stations and in the lounge.

Our hostess was most solicitous and before we knew it we were home again with the mail stacked up and the grass grown like Jack-and-the-beanstalk. It has certainly been a different sort of journey - May to September and we loved every minute of it.

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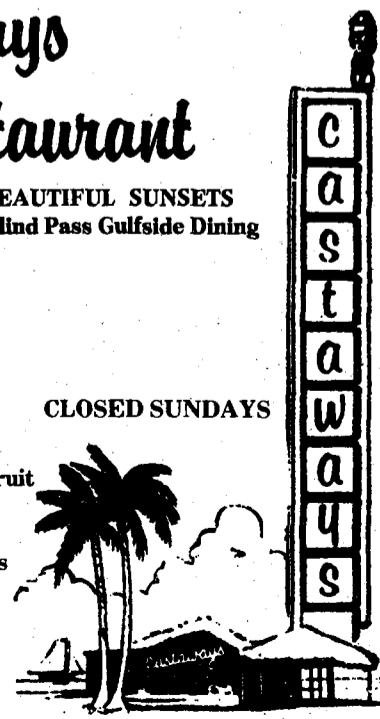
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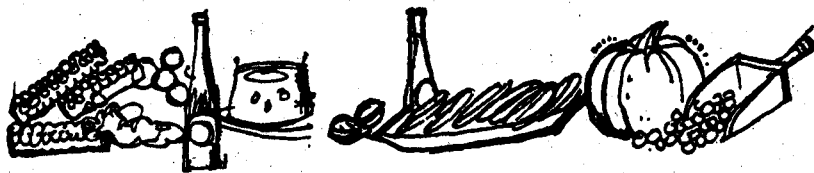
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Home economists, in Commissioner of Agriculture Doyle Conner's Department, say that housewives should take advantage of this budget-saving supply situation for family meals, and bulk cooking for freezing purposes.

Recipes for the four abundant vegetables and squash, celery and pole beans, which are becoming abundant, are available from the Division of Marketing, Mayo Building, Tallahassee, Florida, 32304.

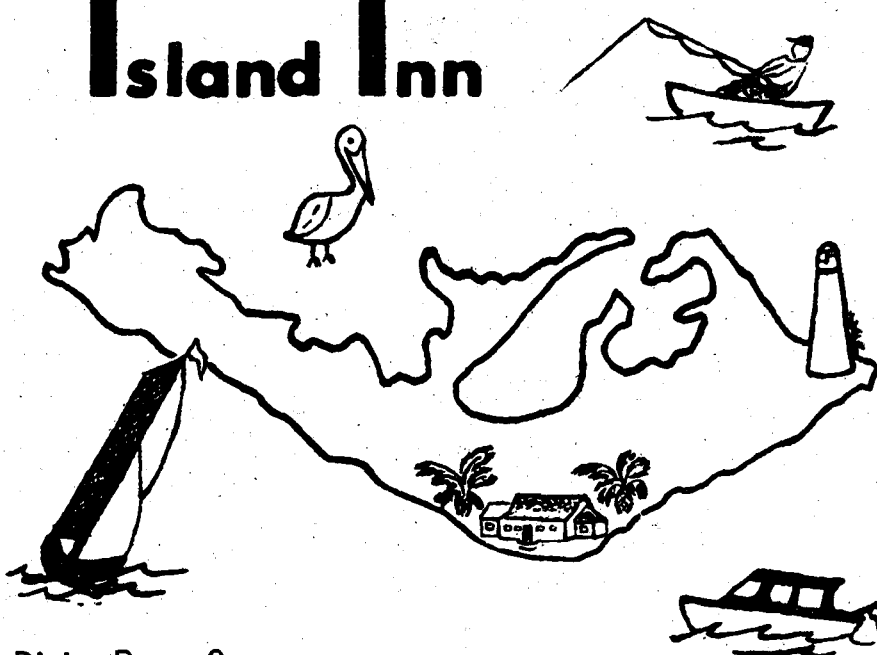
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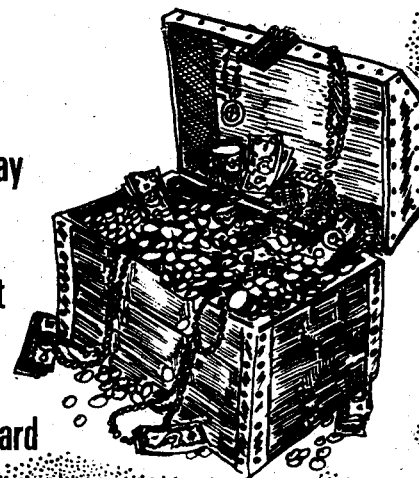


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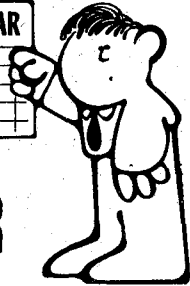
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LADIES GUILD of the Sanibel Community Church meets at 1:30 every third Thursday of the month. For details, phone 472-2425.

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ROTARY INTERNATIONAL - area meetings. Fort Myers, Tuesdays at 12:15 in the Shrine Bldg. off Cleveland Ave.; Fort Myers South, Mondays at 12:15 in the Sheraton Inn on Rt. 41; Fort Myers Beach, Thursdays at 12:15 in the Holiday Inn on Estero Blvd.; Cape Coral, Wednesdays at 8:00 a.m. in the Cape Coral Country Club. For information call Dick Vann, 463-9436.

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BINGO MUREX - American Legion Home, Wednesdays 8 p.m. - no minors.

BOY SCOUT TROOP #88 meets at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at the school.

LIONS CLUB of Sanibel-Captiva meets at 6:30 p.m. the first & third Wednesday of each month at Island Beach Club.

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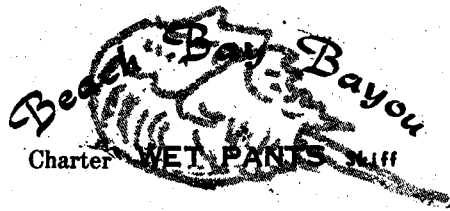
KIWANIS CLUB meets each Wednesday morning at 8:00 a.m. at Case's Harbor House.

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A Grain Of Sea Salt by betzi abram



Well, folks, here it is December already (as usual it's much sooner than I expected.) I don't know the exact number of shopping days until Christmas, but however many there are, they ain't enough. I always start thinking about Christmas shopping in July and resolve that "this" year, I'm going to be prepared and not get caught napping. I have now perfected the art of THINKING about Christmas shopping early, but have yet to make the connection between that and the next step.

Meanwhile, I thought that I would save some effort this year by doing my shopping by mail so I lined up a few copies of my RUDDER, BOATING and SAIL magazines and drew up a tentative list for some of my nearest and dearest who share my love of the sea.

For my daughter who has a nine-month old run-about, the Mariner's Emporium offers a gold-plated shackle for \$29.95 which sounds like something anyone would be happy to have a half dozen or so of in their duffle bag. For my son-in-law (maybe one apiece) there is a Competition Fishfinder from Columbian Hydrosonics at \$169.95 each which should enthrall them both --- and for my dare devil grandson, Telcor Instruments has a neat solid state speedometer called a Boat Speed Sensor which goes for only \$215.00.

For my other daughter who stays home and chews her nails while her husband goes fishing, Mildland Electronics is selling a nice little 23-channel transceiver which might keep her in touch and alleviate her anxieties. That would run me only \$190.95.

I had a lot of trouble deciding on what to get for Cap'n John because he (as you know) has a new boat and there were so many good things to choose among that I've just made a list of the best ones and those that won't fit in his stocking, I'll just put under the Christmas tree.

First there's a really handsome Omega Loran for only \$2595.00, and a great little gadget for him to play around with is a Mineral-Metal Detector from White's Electronics. That will be a mere \$199.50. Since I value his safety, I think I'll get him a spare bilge pump. I see that West Products has a nice one for \$52.50. And since I know what pleasure he takes in speeding along, I think I'll buy him a

log-knotmeter. Oxy-Nautica is offering a real bargain with a waterproof control box for only \$595.00. Also he's never had any trouble before, but you never know, so I thought I would order for him a real inexpensive Harbor Locator that Brigantine Electronics is selling for only \$69.95. That way I'll know he can always find Fort Myers Beach even if we decide to move it sometime when he's at sea.

Naturally all these lists have made me a bit greedy myself, so I've compiled a short memorandum for Santa from me. There's a great automatic pilot I'd like that costs only \$345.00; a handy little gizmo that let's you furl your jib and main from the cockpit in seconds and Blue Water Marine sells it for a measly \$72.00. I also wouldn't mind having a reliable kicker for my boat and I see that Imtra Corp. is selling British Sea Gulls (which are very good) for \$180.00 up. - Naturally, I don't want the cheapest one!

Like every good cook who knows that no matter how much others rave about her cooking, an occasional meal out is a real treat. I know that much as I like to sail my own boat, an occasional cruise on someone else's boat is terrific. So I'd very much like to have two tickets from Commonwealth Holiday Inns of Canada (Limited), for one of their luxury cruises on the Harvey Gamage, a 100' luxury schooner, which cruises 8 days through the Caribbean for only \$724.00 each. (For two of us, \$1,448.00 is a mere peanuts.)

My last gift, which is a most generous one, is a Cal 2-27 which would only set me back \$11,950.00. This present is for my employer who has a picture of one tacked up over his desk and talks constantly of how much he wants it. But I can afford to be generous with him because I figure he's gonna have to give me SOME raise to afford the \$18,452.55 that I have estimated my shopping spree will cost this year.

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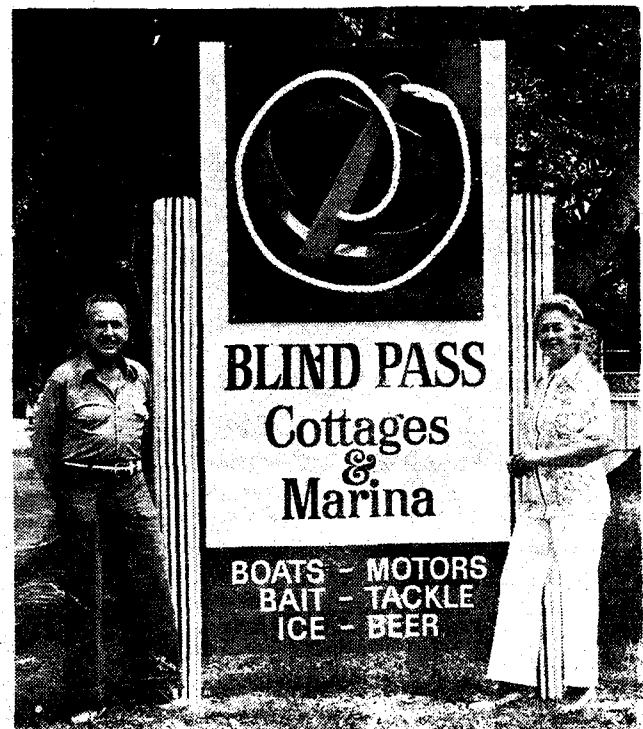
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 AND PLACES IN BETWEEN**
 by Priscilla Murphy

The most exciting place on tour was Marrakech. From Casablanca we left by train, and arrived for lunch---visited a mosque (barefooted) snake charmers, story tellers, a wonderful Casbah, folk dances, and many many things to buy (if you had the time).

Ponta Delgada, Azores, saw the Furnas Valley by motor coach---magnificent scenery and considerable thermal activity. Approx. 20 mineral springs---pineapple and tea plantations, beautiful flowers. Luncheon at the Terra Nostra Hotel, where the wine was free but coffee and water cost money.

Lisbon, a full day by motor coach to see the palaces of Portugal, many beautiful and interesting palaces, especially Pena Palace---2000 ft. above sea level, and a reconstruction of a medieval castle, complete with moat and drawbridge---Beautiful view. Lunch at Sintra, more free wine. Exiled royalty live in this area.

Seville and Cadiz---another day by motor coach to Jerez de la Frontera to sample the famous sherry wine. Continue to Saville, luncheon at the beautiful Hotel Alfonso Alcazar Palace, through the narrow streets typical of this area. Tangier is a beautiful drive with the Rif Mountains on one side and the blue Mediterranean on the other. Mint tea and typically Moroccan music, palace of the Sultans, and a Casbah.

Casablanca is a beautiful market place, Sultans Palace. A Roman Catholic Cathedral has unique combination of Moorish and Gothic design. Exciting walking through the old Medina.

Madeira is a really beautiful and clean place. I would love to go back. We drove through the city of Funchal. More wine to sample, which was very good. Then on to a toboggan ride, a two and a half mile ride in a wicker basket with two men guiding it. It was fun, but I don't know how they did it. More folk dances. This time we participated, lots of fun.

The Canary Islands were terrific. Beautiful botanical gardens, with a lovely view. On to Puerto de la Cruz for luncheon and more free wine.

Dakar is an exciting city with a wonderful handcraft market, wood carvings, bone, ivory, and Bubus, a kind of dress somewhat like a Mumu.

Barbados we visited on Sunday, so not much to do, but we looked and liked it.

WOOPS! CAPTAINS, AHoy!

Well, we got the names right in the story, but we SURE got 'em mixed up in the cutline under the picture about Moss Marina last week. Sorry, cap-i-tains - the cutline should have read Claude Robinson of the "Miss Claudia", Gibby Gibbons of the "Neva-R" and Stan Ollis of the "Salty Dog."

BRUSH WITH A BODY

The eleventh season at the Pirate Playhouse will open Sunday, December 22, with the play, a delightful comedy-mystery "Brush With A Body" by Maurice McLoughlin. It is one of several vehicles the Hunters found on a London play search in 1970, and was produced originally at St. Martin's Theater in London. What attracted the Hunters to this comedy was the extraordinarily droll character of Dermot Ignatius Eamon McMorrah Flaherty who follows the trade of a chimney sweep. Philip has been anxious to play this role, which in theatrical circles is called a 'fat one,' but it was not until this season that the actors to assay the other demanding parts could all be cast. Now "Brush With A Body" has been all put together and rehearsals are well along.

December 22, the magic of opening night will again happen with John Asp, Kathy McClintock, Kristine and John Choate and Charlotte Green, newcomers to the Playhouse acting company as well as old favorites Margaret and Bill Krueger, Don and Virginia Bissell and of course, Ruth Hunter herself.

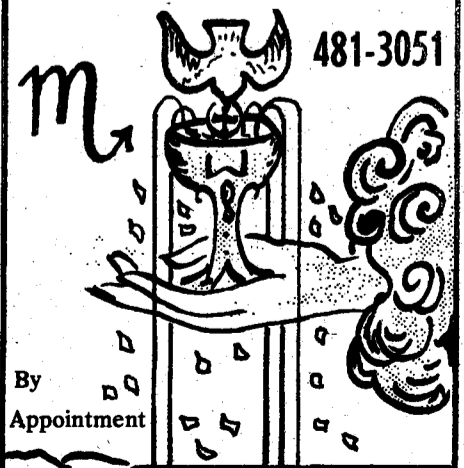
As usual, the Hunters report, mail orders are already coming in from Indiana, Michigan and Miami so they suggest that orders for tickets should be placed early. Box Office phone, 472-2121. Curtain 8:15.

TO THE ISLANDER:

Once upon a time, a long time ago, there was a Book and Author Luncheon at the famous Garden City Hotel in Long Island. Among the guests were Cleveland Amory, Erskine Caldwell and Ruth Hunter, who received Amory's "Who Killed Society." With his autograph he wrote "With Admiration." So Ruth hiked up in the downpour to Fur, Feathers and Scales on Saturday and brought him "Barefoot Girl on Broadway" and her inscription was "With Admiration," of course.

/s/ Ruth Hunter

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by Richard Arthur

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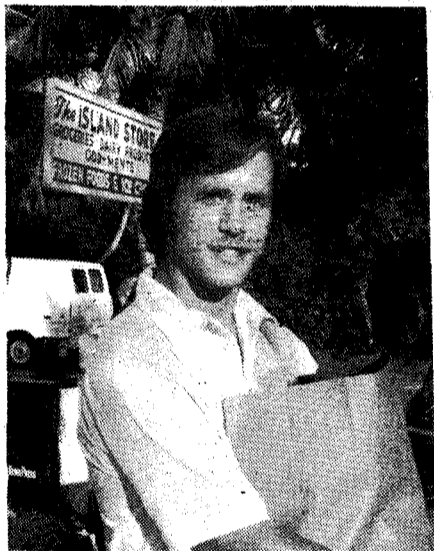
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Pam Toomer - Captiva
 "I don't think it will because we're mostly private estates. There's really no place to develop out here, therefore there's no reason for incorporation to spread this far."



Tim Phar - Captiva
 "Well, it's a good question but I don't have any opinion on it."



Worth MacMurray - Captiva
 "I would hope that drastic revenue measures will not be taken, but it's not likely that they will. I can't really see how much it could affect us. This is the first I've heard of it actually."



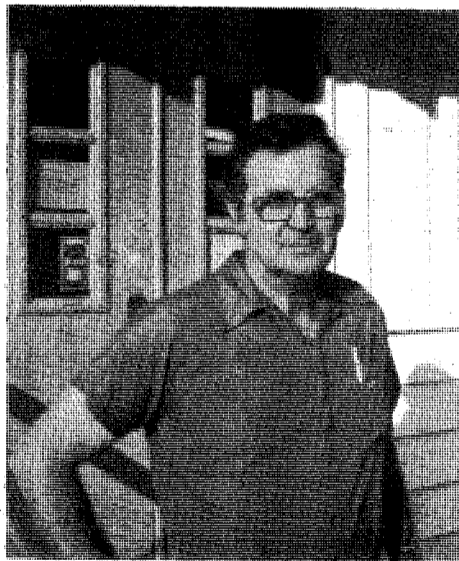
Oz Willauer - Prouts Neck, Maine
 "Well, I've only been here for two weeks so I don't really have an opinion. I haven't really thought of it."

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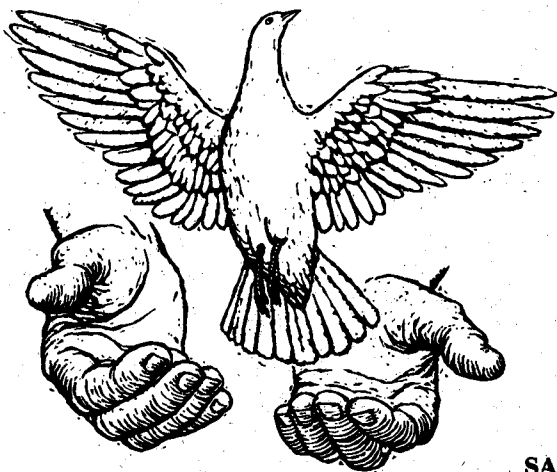
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