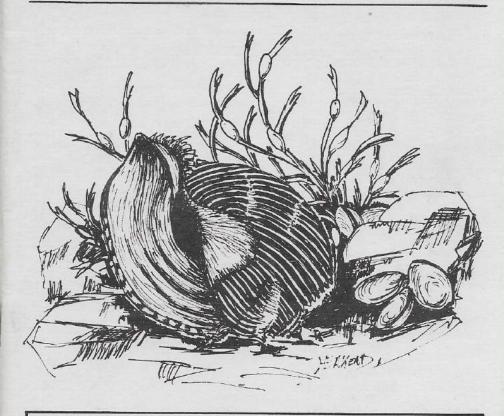


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As most of you know by now, Jack Gill did it again!

That is, he filled his second Big 10 Card. His trophy was awarded at the November general meeting in Phoenix.

I was talking with a Mr. Phil Miles from the U of A and learned he is making a study of the sharks in the Sea of Cortez. He was very interested in the experiences that Jack has had with sharks and sent him a letter requesting more info. If the name sounds familiar, it's because Mr. Miles has written articles for the Chatter.

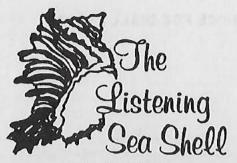
The picture on this page is of Bob Morris (Tucson) and a 73 pound Grouper that came from Bird Island. Bob also caught two Sails but the picture wouldn't reproduce well. They weighed 100 lbs. and 110 lbs.

From what I hear, there are some large Yellowtails in the area. By the time you read this, I will have checked this out! Although this past summer there was a small Yellowtail caught, it was released because of its size. That is real sportsmanship...

Oh, I want to thank everyone who returned the tagging kits to the Radio Shack—they are all accounted for again.

'Til next time . .

Bob Bos



By Mary Fran Taylor

The life of a reporter is never dull. I have now turned into a weather prophet. Have been taking calls asking how the weather is going to be on such and such dates. You've got to be kidding! My only observance is that it is usually beautiful during the week, and begins to blow for the weekend fishermen.

The annual picnic for Phoenix Chapter is now in the past. Dick Davis did a marvelous job. That man organizes and sees that it is done. Let's hang onto him for future things. Weather couldn't have been more perfect. A good crowd of about 150 people. The 300 hot dogs that were just incidental for the kids, plus the more than yummy pot luck, quickly disappeared. The winners of the games are: Guessing Jar. Linda Lexton, age 16; age 0-6 Chris Masch; Age 6-10 Terri Hylton; age 11-13 Louella Frazier; age 14-16 Becky Giebel haus; and 17, Belle Taylor. Belle beat Bill Sanderson out by a nose for the adult prize. We accused him of conning the young girls running the games to help him



on his score. I have one complaint on the picnic: when the games went into storage at Jim Knight's place, my jar with 2520 pinto beans in it went too. How long do you soak your old beans?

Who's at the Bay? That should read who is not at the Bay. People are few and far between. And the break-ins are still taking place. Mr. Brown's office says they are working on it. Ha!

The Power Squadron had a Rendezvous at Cholla on the weekend of the 9th. It was a fun time — about 145 people. We had three couples at our house — utter strangers, but they aren't now. I got to the Bay and found 110 pounds of Halibut in my icebox — Cal was in charge of buying the fish for the Saturday night dinner. There wasn't room for a cracker of the foods I took down. But we managed.

As everyone knows, the VHF tower was overhauled and is in partial operation. The whole system at the Radio Shack is so full of static I wonder how Betty can listen to it all day. Hopefully everything will be straightened out soon, maybe before this Chatter gets to you. But in the meantime, check your radios before going out and make sure Betty is receiving you — and on which frequency.

Jack Gill was awarded a Big 10 trophy at our general meeting by Bob Bos, chairman from Tucson. Susie came along for company — Chatter editor. Bob proceeded to take home one of the door prizes.

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The completed application should be mailed to the FCC, Gettysburg, Pa. 17325. This should be done as far in advance as possible. It requires several weeks for processing and the radio telephone must not be used until the license is posted aboard your vessel, however, an "Interim Ship's Station License" can be issued to you. This license may be obtained in short order if you make application, in person, at one of the Field Offices. This interim License then becomes a valid license until your permanent license is issued at Gettysburg. Term of Interim License is 6 months.

A change of boat name no longer requires an application for modification of a radio station license. Such a change can now be legally covered by a letter to the FCC, including the old as well as the new name of the boat, the call sign of the station, and the name and address of the licensee. If the craft is documented, include its official number. A modification of the station license is required if there is any change to the transmitter.

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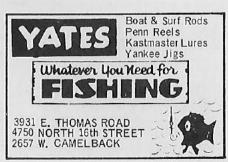


By Susie Bos

To all our members under the weather, we wish a speedy recovery. To Betty Barker who underwent open heart surgery, a speedy recovery. Members may send cards to Betty in care of Tucson Medical Center.

Our meeting proved very interesting. There were a lot of people there attempting to get their favorites on the ballot for next year. It's getting to that time of year when offices and chairmanships must again be filled.

It's also getting close to the time when those of us who sign up in January must get our dues in. Dues, of course, will keep the Chatter coming out on time.



We are going to have another pot luck dinner for our December meeting, so come one, come all. Bring your favorite dish and also your own silverware.. I'm bringing my appetite along to, and recommend that everyone does.

Hope you all enjoyed the baseball game over the Thanksgiving holiday.

If anyone has fruit or candy they would like to share with the children at Sonoyta Orphanage, please let Bob Morris know.

I would like to thank, once again, all the girls that have helped me throughout the year. Many hands make light work... They have been so busy helping out the Club, that sometimes they are overlooked. Our gratitude goes to Mary Brown, Eileen Courtright, Ann Faulkenberg, Margo Clausen, Joanne Derenberg, Carol Scott, and our own coffee-maker, Francis Crossman.

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For this reason, certain fruits, plants, seeds, and vegetables are prohibited entry into the United States from Mexico. (This includes seed cotton, cotton bolls, and other unprocessed cotton.) Also, pork, pork products (including pork skins), poultry meat, and eggs are subject to U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) restrictions or prohibitions. For information on specific items, consult the nearest USDA agricultural quarantine oflice.

The following Mexican-grown fruits, vegetables, and nuts are allowed entry into the United States:

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VEGETABLES: All vegetables may be brought in except potatoes, sweet potatoes, and yams (Dioscorea).

NUTS, ETC.: Acorn, cocoa bean, chestnut, coconut, peanut, pecan, pinon (pinenut), tamarind bean, walnut and waternut.

LIMITED ENTRY: Avocados without seed . . . noncommercial lots may be brought in *except* at California border points. Okra . . . for entry status, find out, in advance, from an agricultural quarantine office.

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into Mexico may be returned to the United States under certain conditions. This list may be revised without notice. For current information, contact the nearest USDA agricultural quarantine office.

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# **MEXICAN BORDER:**

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Program Aid 941 Revised November 1973

Have any of you been questioned lately at the border — on the American side? Please note that certain restrictions have been changed. If you plan on bringing eggs back from the Bay — crack them and place them in containers (so many eggs for so many people). Leave the shells in Mexico.

About a year ago California was having an epidemic of NewCastle's disease. Mexican officials were confiscating eggs at the border. But in spite of all precautions, the disease has spread into the flocks of Mexico. So don't bring it back! Leave the egg shells in Mexico.

Now for the problem of pork and any of its by-products. There is a cholera epidemic on the rise in Mexico. Hence the restrictions on bringing back any pork products — even if you have bought them in the states.

Keep abreast of the regulations on the American side of the border — and this would now include the import of sugar. Check before you try to bring any back. It is being confiscated.







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We left off in the last issue on the 31st of May, as we were headed south to Loreto on the new highway... which follows the coastline as closely as possible so there are beautiful views overlooking Conception Bay. It also parallels the old Baja dirt track when not actually built on top of it, so those glimpses made me thankful the new highway was completed. I don't know how even a goat could have stayed on that narrow ribbon, much less a vehicle. Sergio, our driver, used to drive a gas truck between Mulege and La Paz on the old road so we asked him how long it took him to drive the 300 miles one way. He said in good weather it would take 5 or 6 days, but in bad weather if they had mud or rock slides it could take 15 to 20 days. Some trip!

The mountains are nearly void of ground cover - some scrubby bushes, skinny cactus, elephant trees, and Palo Blanca trees. Everything is dry and dusty - no wonder with no rain in two years. I have seen any number of cattle, horses and burros bunched together trying to stay in what little shade there is available. Herds of goats meander slowly across the road. Some of the goats have coal-black faces and black trousered legs. The little ones are cute. I asked Sergio if any of the animals had to drink the salt water since there did not seem to be any fresh water available and if it hurt them. They do drink it and it doesn't hurt them. All the animals are pretty gaunt though, which I suppose is due as much to the scant vegetation as it is to the salt water.

As long as we follow the coast there is a breeze and it's comfortable riding, but once the road turns inland, as it does in spots, the heat generated from those mountains is really oppressive.

Yet there are ranches sparsely scattered all along the highway. One ranch had its own spring and brook and the corn and trees groew so tall. The green of that oasis contrasted so sharply with

the rest of the dull desert that it made a very vivid spot.

1 believe Sergio now when he says he is related to 90% of the people in Mulege and 50% of the rest of Baja. He tooted his horn and waved his hand when we passed every structure, every building on that highway - explaining that it was his brother's place or his wife's cousin's ranch or some such relative. Very few were amigos. Since he had 14 children from 4 wives, I guess it is reasonable that he has lots of in-laws.

Not keeping track of time, but about mid-morning we turned off to go into Loreto. Have just seen my first billboards in Mexico. I couldn't believe it. This town of 5,000 covers quite a wide area - all one story adobe buildings. Dusty cottonwoods, palm trees and flowers in almost every

fenced yard.

The Mission Hotel in Loreto is right on the causeway facing the sea. It's a winged building built around a walled courtyard; additional tile and carved facings are being worked on now with an additional 3 story section added to parts of the hotel. Gargoyles, statues and mythical ani-



mals peer from the corners of roofs. Massive carved doors in the old Spanish style open on tile floors to lead into an entry and a lobby that repeats this styling with massive carved furniture. The bar is in one corner of the dining hall, which itself is in a huge room surrounded on two sides by banks of unusually designed windows overlooking the courtyards on either side. It looks like they are building a small patio dining area around a fountain on the south side. Huge roofed verandas on the opposite side have tables and benches so that guests can sit in the shade and enjoy looking at anybody in the swimming pool and the beautifully landscaped grounds.

Massive furniture and dark wood complement the colorful prints and bark paintings that adorn the walls with repetition of color in the tablecloths and the painted toothpick holders, wooden salt and pepper shakers. The rooms are bright, cheerful and very cool. The kitchen is behind the dining hall and is open to view with one huge long serving counter. I didn't see anyone actually using this but I wandered over to see what was in the kitchen. Enormous stainless steel tables, stoves, refrigeration units, walk-in coolers were spotlessly clean. Even the 10-foot high ceilings add to the spaciousness and coolness of the rooms.

BY RUTH LA PORTE

The hotel employees were uniformed in white shirts and dark trousers; the shirts had a band of geometrically designed colorful inserts running horizontally on the left front, Good looking.

Bill was anxious to see his friend so off we went to the Flying Sportsmen's Club. It is located on the outskirts of the south end of Loreto so we had an opportunity to see more of the village. It's quite a ways out...hate to walk. We drove past two entrances but this gave us the chance to see the old derelict plane Bill's friend, Ed Tabor, had flown for so long. It was pretty well stripped. Found the entrance to the Private Club and drove through beautiful grounds. Flowers, flowering trees in all the shades of pinks and lavenders - gorgeous. Separate cottages scattered throughout, winding walks, tall palms, wandering streets, a very lovely layout. Located the office and found that Ed was out but expected back for lunch.

After some shopping, we accepted Sergio's suggestion to visit the Mother Mission Church for all of Baja. It was the first one constructed on the peninsula, back in 1677, and from it stemmed all the other mission churches built a few years later. The church is not in as good condition as the one in Mulege, but they are trying to raise funds to start restoration. It's a huge stone and adobe building with the thick walls again. But this one has a bell in its tower that is rung every 15 minutes, a lovely sound. The double doors are stained and dark with time and everything in it is weather-beaten. There are huge oil paintings hung on the walls; wooden statues again dressed in cloth. Swags of red velvet caught to the ceiling with clusters of artificial flowers and draped to fall to the sides of the church. The back wall behind the altar is of hand-carved wood with niches all over for statues - some with glass fronts. Parts are gold leafed and have what looked like semi-precious stones inserted here and there. Plain wooden benches are used as pews. There

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is an air of overall sadness to this church that I did not feel in Mulege. There is poverty in both places, but here there is more neglect. Perhaps here they are just starting to take notice and plan to do what they can.

As we re-entered the vestibule I stopped to watch a Mexican artisan gold-leafing a wooden statue in a small room to one side. He had a small boy with him and it looked like he was instructing the boy in this art. As we left young voices were raised in song and in litany; more activity around than had first appeared. Across the street from the church was the largest tree I've ever seen — it shaded the whole street, was really mammoth.

Back to lunch at the hotel ... turtle steak, beef briosh and buttered shrimp, and all the fixings. Expertly prepared and excellently served. Then back to the Flying Sportsmen's Club where we found Bill's friend. Went shelling, but nothing unusual Declined overnight invitation.

The drive back to Mulege was just as pretty as the drive south; saw the coast from a different angle. Public beaches were posted wherever possible. There was even one very modern trailer court not quite completed on Coyote Bay. The water is very shallow and boats anchoring must do so way, way out. Stocked up on ice and returned to the boats at 6:00 p.m. It was a long glorious day. The others, who had been fishing all day, didn't catch a thing.

June 1, 1974 (Saturday) — Today is a holiday for the Mexicans — Marine Day. People started gathering real early to walk across at low tide to a big rock in the middle of the harbor and others took the long boats across from the dock. Finally the Padre and his altar boys arrived and Fernando and his family took them across to celebrate the mass, the blessing of the fleet, and to pray for the souls of those lost at sea. It was all climaxed by a fireworks display.

Carol and I took the 'Cold Duck' and paddled up the Santa Rosalia River almost to the mouth. We stopped here and there along the banks when we noticed something interesting. Found several places where huge conch shells had been broken and just dumped near the edge of the water. They were in quite large pieces, but we weren't able to find a whole one. Apparently it was much easier to break them to get at the food than to cook the food out. What a waste. It hadn't been difficult to paddle up the river because the tide and wind were with us. One area had literally thousands of the prettiest turquoise jellyfish. They looked like miniature parachutes trailing a basket. None were on the surface; all were in varying depths of water. We were careful not to touch them. We Were about a quarter of a mile from the moth of the river but didn't dare waste more time. Turned around and tried to head back. At first it wasn't too hard, but then we began to hit current, and the tide was against us and the wind had come up. We were paddling unevenly but finally made it to the opposite bank and for a short while thought we had it made by pulling ourselves along with the help of the bushes. Weren't getting very far very fast that way so back we went to paddling. The dock hove into sight and that was encouraging. Tried walking on the road at one point, but it was hot and Carol hadn't brought shoes. Back to paddling, sticking closer to shore where the current wasn't so strong, we cleared the bushes and entered the more open waters of the harbor.

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While we were making our river trip, Don had been watching the Mulege Fire Department fight a bad fire in the palm trees. We had seen the smoke but assumed it was nothing serious. Don said they had been fighting to control it for hours. Even the fire truck had run out of gas and had had to be refueled at the dock.

The "Dondos" came in and Verlene had caught an 18½ lb. pompano and one slightly smaller, and 3 Sierra Mackeral. After gassing all the boats, Fernando passed out lovely

## impressions

Pink Murex shells to all the women. These are not old shells, the color is too brilliant for that.

June 2, 1974 (Sunday) — The harbor at Mulege isn't any less tricky getting out of than in — it's really shallow and rocky in places. That channel isn't very wide or very deep. Saw some porpoise. The sun was just coming up over the horizon as we hit open water. Sky a deep pink with colors reflected in the sea. Just gorgeous. Pretty rough and we took some hard jolts as we progressed. Three-foot swells around San Marcos Island. Very, very choppy and deep swells as we passed the north end of the island. White-capping.

The man-made harbor at Santa Rosalia gave us the usual problems. Maps don't help. Piers are much too tall, way up over our heads. A man waves us to the end pier and tied up there we look like toy boats in a bathtub. No ladder, no cross studs, but somehow the men climb up. The

man who waved turned out to be a taxi driver so we use him to find a gas station.

Santa Rosalia was originally settled by the French who made this harbor so they could handle shipments of copper ore by water and take on supplies the same way. The Rothchilds had some connection with this enterprise originally, but it was nationalized by the Mexican government some time ago, and the original owners have long been gone. We did not have an opportunity to see anything of Santa Rosalia, but understand it is the oldest settlement on Baja and has a population of about 6,000 people. It is still an industrial town and like all industrial towns in any part of the world, does not convey the appearance of being any too clean. The harbor is quite dir-

ty with oil spills.

The taxi driver is willing to transport gas, which was roughly 60c a gallon, but can only do it one barrel at a time. It took two hours to get the gas and siphon it down to the boats. No Port Captain on duty so the papers do not have to be checked. "Dondos" radios in that the wind is dying and the water much smoother. A welcome change. Later on we hit 'white water' but it was caused by literally thousands of porpoises leaping in unison — row after row. The curling of the water so it does look like white water, even close up, is caused by the spray kicked up by this regimental drill team performing such graceful maneuvers. Perfection. They were all around us in every direction. The whole flotilla is surrounded and we have spread out pretty far apart. We've all slowed down a little so we won't hit any. What a school! Whale too. We were right in the middle of them for about ten minutes. I don't know where they came from, where they were going, or why they were in such a hurry. But I will long remember this most graceful sight.

Then we really were in white water. Very rough seas; getting choppy in a hurry. It lasted only a short while and we were out of the cross chop. Still some swells but even those calming. No change in the coast — still bleak barren rock for mile after mile Huge shark fins cut the surface of the water. Proceeded slowly into the open cove at El Barrill to see if there is anyone there

who can bring gas to us at San Francisquito Bay, 20 nautical miles from here. The children seem to understand what we want. The "Pelican" dinged their prop, but we all are coming into San Francisquito Bay on a high tide which is perfect. Stern anchors thrown, we are safe for the night. Bub mentioned that he had seen the huge fins of two killer whale sharks feeding on a school of mullet a short distance from the "Pelican" when they were having prop trouble.







One of the nicest things about Christmas is the exchange of holiday cookies among friends and neighbors. Each year we pick a day about a week in advance of the big day, put a stack of Christmas records on the stereo, and haul out all the ingredients for several kinds of our favorite cookies.

Since nuts are an integral part of the seasonal menu, we choose recipes using different kinds — Almond Crescents, Tollhouse with walnuts, Meringues with pecans and Peanut Butter Quickies. Sometimes adding a chocolate one with filberts, pecan crisps, cashew whirligigs, shortbread with almonds or Brazilnuts.

Of the four basic recipes, the only 'family' one is for Almond Crescents. It has to be classified as Old New England for the simple reason that it has been in our family there for at least four generations!

#### ALMOND CRESCENTS

Allow 1/2 pound butter (or oleo) to soften in a large mixing bowl, then cream in 1/2 cup sugar. Add 1 teaspoon vanilla, then add gradually 2-1/2 cups flour. (We sift the flour but give a generous measure.)

This addition of flour is not as easy as it sounds — it's a verydrydough. Then to make matters worse, the next requirement is 1/2 pound of finely chopped almonds to be worked into the dough. (Or 1 pound in the shells, shelled and blanched.) We use a wooden spoon and alternate cutting and creaming motions. The dough becomes extremely stiff and unworkable —

When it's thoroughly mixed, roll dough, a teaspoonful or so at a time, between your hands, until it becomes pointed at both ends and fatter in the middle. Place close together on a cookie sheet and form into a small crescent. (Drink something hot while performing this task to raise your body temperature — it will make the job easier.)

Bake at 375 degrees for about 17 mins. or until a light brown. When cool, roll each cookie in a bowl of granulated sugar. You should end up with 80 or 90 cookies from this recipe.

Store them in a tin box by themselves, serve with your other holiday goodies — and sit back and enjoy all the raves you are bound to hear. You've earned them!

# IT IS THE LAW IN MEXICO...

By Wes Douglas

Many members of the Cholla Bay Sportsmens Club, in Tucson as well as in Phoenix, have repeatedly requested information from me regarding the liability exposure that one is faced with in the event of an accident in Mexico. I have given talks to both Club Chapters and written many articles in the past attempting to pass this information along. For the benefit of the new members and also to jog the memories of all older members, I will try to set out again the penalties you are subject to under the Mexican law.

There are basically two things that should be remembered as far as Mexico is concerned. Number 1: Any accident in Mexico is a felony and is prosecuted as such. Number 2: The Mexican officials do not recognize any insurance policy that is not written in a Mexican Insurance Company. There are no condiditions under which any American insurance policy is recognized.

Anyone involved in an accident in Mexico is presumed guilty until proven innocent and the officials can hold anyone, guilty or not, for a period of 72 hours, while the accident is being investigated. After the investigation determines

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who is guilty, then that party is still held until evidence of financial responsibility is proven. The best, and generally the only, thing that is acceptable is a liability insurance policy issued by a Mexican Insurance Company.

The Civil Code in effect throughout Mexico clearly established the basis of liability and the payment of indemnity. Death indemnities are based on 790 days of an individual's salary. The salary, with a very few exceptions, is based on a minimum of \$25.00 in Mexican Pesos or \$2.00 U.S. currency, per day, with a maximum limitation of \$19.750 in Mexican Pesos or \$1,580.00 U.S. currency. This is the reason that liability limits of \$10,000 one person, \$20,000 one accident is considered adequate. The Federal Labor Law in Mexico clearly provides the following indemnity levels: Total and permanent disability — 1,095 days salary; and total temporary disability — 365 days salary. Thus you can determine just exactly the amount that you might be liable for.

In the case of property damage, you will be liable for the actual damages done. Generally speaking, \$10,000 property damage liability insurance limits would be adequate.

One point to keep in mind is that all Mexican Insurance policies are void if any one of the following three conditions exist: 1— If alcohol or drugs are a major contributing factor in the accident; 2— If any person who does not hold a valid driver's license is driving at the time of the accident.

Please do not let these facts alarm you, for if you keep your nose clean and act as you would want them to act up here, then you are more than welcome and you will find out that the Mexican people are a very warm-hearted group of people.

Before closing, I would like to point out one additional fact of life. In Mexico, as in the States, your insurance does not provide either bond or defense for breaking the law and inasmuch as any accident is a felony, you must defend

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The best advice | can give you is to always have a Mexican Insurance policy in force and in your possession when you are in Mexico. If any of you have any further questions, your Club officers will be able to steer you to the proper place to get them answered.

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## Queen of the Sea, The Oyster

The earliest known gourmets to visit the southeastern North Carolina coast were members of an obscure Indian tribe of dubious origin. Little is known about the coastal tribes, but local residents espouse the theory that the Indians spent all of their time either making or breaking fired clay pottery. All along the Lower Cape Fear River, potsherds abound. Rarely can you dig a hole in the ground without finding a piece of fired clay pottery.

However, there is, on the sandy stretch of Oak Island, conclusive proof that the early Indians had time for at least one activity other than making pottery.

They ate oysters.



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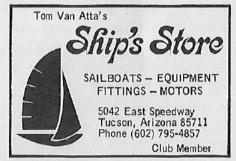
Long before the coastal Indians proved their love for oysters, the Chinese were cultivating oysters artificially. The Romans, too, farmed oysters. Much has been written in speculation about the first man to eat an oyster. Looking at an oyster for the first time, one agrees that this pioneer was a desperate man; but he was rewarded by a flavor unlike that of anything else on earth.

#### THE LISTENING SEA SHELL

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Would you believe there are 24 families — Mexican — that have been counted for our Christmas party. This includes 97 children. All donations are needed. There are still 3 families to be polled. And then there is always the problem of families coming in or moving out. Eldon Ennis still has to make allowances for the changes. Eldon plans a family gift of food stuffs plus an individual gift for each child. It is a fun time — if you are at the Bay before Christmas, we want help in delivering the gifts. You are more than welcome to help. Date probably Sunday, December 22nd.

Enough for now — Susie gave me limited space. News is needed from the Phoenix people...



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Now we are looking forward to a new year with a new slate of officers, who will be just as dedicated and just as efficient in their efforts to serve the Club.

We also wish to thank all the members who have helped out during the year, with all the little jobs that are a must. Without these people and the time they have spent, the Club would not be what it is today. And we wish to show our everlasting gratitude also to all those members who have shared their stories and pictures with us. That's what makes the Chatter fun...

Thanks again to everyone, and best wishes for the new year.

Susie Bos, Cholla Chatter Editor

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