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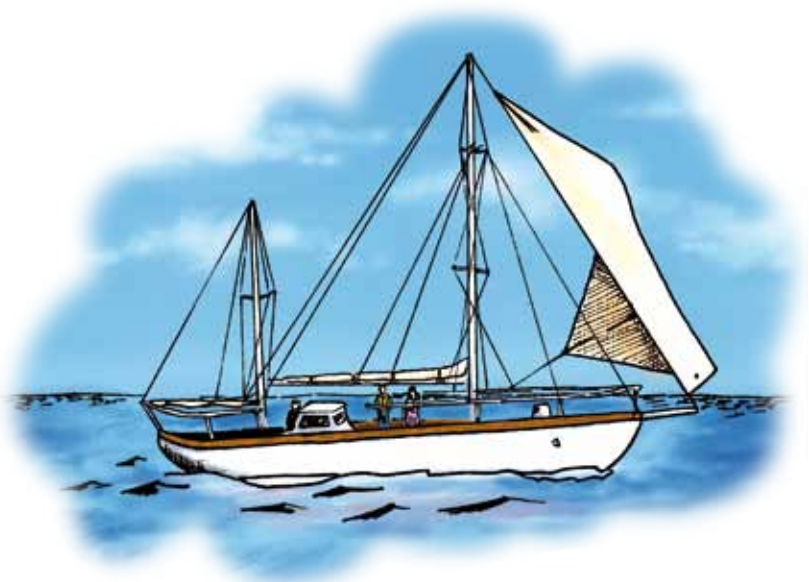
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AUGUST 1960

The year is 1960; the place is Daytona Beach at Florida State in the United States of America. In August of that year and on a nice day, it was so nice and so clear that you can see the sky with nothing in it, an empty space makes you feel calm and cozy, but that dark blue color which was about to turn blue when the sun was about to wake up and send its golden sunbeam on the wide ocean. The sun looks so big and bright and started to show itself from under the ocean. The water was like a mirror reflecting that golden light back to the sun, but didn't mind the light shredded all over that blue clear water. Even though the sun was so big and bright the temperature was reasonable considering it was in August. The ocean was so calm and smooth that it reflected everything except for the moving boats that annoyed this beauty.





On that perfect day a horrible and vicious crime was going to take place. No one even thought or had an imagination of a scenario about the event that was going to take place or what would be the outcome of that event. Although Daytona beach and around it was an important growing city at that time, it was also a quite beautiful and nice too. People were honest, full of enthusiasm and hope, Jobs were available and life was good.

What was going to happen on that day is something that will change all of the seas and oceans. Things would be different after that day, or let's say after what will happen on that day.

A man and his wife will be brutally murdered by the hands of a member of their own family, led by his greed and brutality to kill his only brother, his wife and their only son.

The Roger's family; Mr. Smith a decent gentleman descended from a middle class family and a loving husband, his wife Elizabeth, a beautiful young lady with blue eyes and white skin, and their son John, a little beautiful child who was just learning how to crawl. When describing Mr. Smith, one could see that he was a man of honor, dignity and pride. A man built himself from scratch and made a fortune from real estate business. He started his business from selling his father's house and with some luck he entered the real estate business.

Mr. Smith met his wife Elizabeth on one of the occasions when he wanted to buy one of the houses. When he first saw her, Mr. Smith couldn't take his eyes off her, and it was love



from a first sight. Then a love story began and it didn't take them more than three months to announce their wedding day. A year later, Elizabeth got pregnant and God gave them John their first and only child.

This family had almost everything wealth, youth, respect and love, and even a yacht they named Zizenia, a white beautiful yacht with blue lines on its sides which was a birthday gift to Elizabeth. They were living in a big house full of maids. In fact Mr. Smith was one of the few who had such a fortune at that time.

When Mr. Smith sold his father's house, he almost begged his brother Michel, who was five years younger than him, to invest his share of the money in real estate business, but Michel had other plans and wanted to spend his money on gambling and travelling. Michal was a selfish young man who had no respect for others and thought that he will increase his share faster in gambling. He took his money and left the country for few years. Michel spent all of his money on gambling and travelled around the country and lost almost everything.

On the contrary, after three years Mr. Smith's business had grown remarkably. He worked hard to earn his fortune and never forgotten his brother. When Michal came to a time where he had nothing left, he was desperate.

«I had nothing left and I spent all of my money, where can I go now and to whom I can turn» He said to himself. "I have to go back to my home town to live with my bother".



No one left but his only brother Smith, and he decided to go and live with his brother and ask him for a job in his company. No one knew what was going through Michel's head when he came back to his home town and saw how rich his brother was.

Mr. Smith was so happy when he saw his brother Michel and remembered his father's will when he asked Mr. Smith to take care of his brother and never turn his back on him. In fact, he was full of joy and gladly presented his wife and son to his brother and asked god to bless this reunion. Michel started to envy his brother for what he had.

Michel wasn't a faithful brother and he said to himself «I must have all of my brother's money and properties» Something was going through his mind, and he decided to steel his brother's fortune any way he can.

Michel was never satisfied with what his brother had offered him, but he played along and accepted the job and the small apartment his brother gave him.

«Everything will soon be mine» He said that to himself along with a big ugly smile on his face.

In a moment of greed, selfishness and dishonesty, Michel decided to get rid of his brother and his family. Michel decided to work on a plan to kill his own family and to shed his own blood. Because that fits his character, it didn't take Michel a long time to plan his crime. Because of his criminal mind and nature, he thought of many ways to get rid of his brother and his wife and son and decided to use Zizenia, his brother's beloved yacht as a crime scene.



It was not the first time when Zizenia, the fifty foot long yacht leaves shore and sails into the Atlantic Ocean. Mr. Smith often takes his family on fishing trips. Because Mr. Smith was a shy person and doesn't like to be followed by journalists and photographers, he sometimes leaves at dawn without being noticed by workers on the deck or other boat owners. Many times Zizenia had been seen leaving its deck and comes back at the end of the day. All of the workers on the deck knew that Mr. Smith was a fine sailor and always sails a lone with his family. Mr. Smith always manage his boat alone, he can sail and take care of his family when he was on board.

Michel decided to carry on the plan which was to convince his brother that they both go on fishing trip this weekend, and bring Elizabeth and John to have fun. Michel knew how much his brother loved fishing and he will never say no to an opportunity to leave the city and go fishing specially this was the first time that his brother Michel will be on board.

«I will prepare everything we need for this trip, and you will not do anything this time» Said Michel as he walked toward the door to leave.

«Ok brother I will let you do the job this time but don't forget to bring a lot of food and drinks, we might stay all day long». Replied Mr. Smith while he was waving goodbye to his brother.

«Everything is under control, don't worry». Said Michel while he was leaving his brother's house.

Before the weekend Michel prepared everything they



needed to the fishing trip. He went to his brother's house and told him to be ready at dawn.

Michel brought his brother's family to the yacht making sure that no one sees them entering the yacht. Time went as planned by Michel and it was a trip with no return to the Smith's family.

It turned to be a nice beautiful sunny day, Mr. Smith was so happy that his brother finally appreciated what he had offered him and decided to prepare this trip as a gift to his family.

«This fishing trip will keep us close from now on, don't you agree?» Asked Mr. Smith as he turned his face toward Elizabeth.

«Off course I agree, I think it is a wonderful idea and we should plan other trips in the future» Replied Elizabeth driven from her good will and love.

Smith thought that his brother began to see things the right way and it was only a matter of time when Michel becomes his right hand at work.

Luck so far was on Michel's side. So far few boats were fishing at that day and they were far enough not to see what is happening on Zizenia. Michel decided to go a little far to be as far as possible from other boats. A few hours later, the yacht stopped and the fishing began. Mr. Smith was very happy and having a great time when Michel came behind him with a gun in his hand and he pointed it toward his brother and shouted:

«I never liked you Smith and you never gave me enough,



all this fortune is going to be for your son and I will not get anything, but after I kill you all, everything will be mine.»

Mr. Smith turned around and saw his brother holding the gun. He was in shock and couldn't believe his eyes. He stood there trying to understand what is going on, but he couldn't think and his mind was paralyzed. Seconds went by and Mr. Smith saw his life going through his mind all the good and bad moments. A few seconds later he could see the tragic moment and what his brother was about to commit.

He said: "Is that how you reward me for what I have done to you, now you want to kill me and my family. Is that how you reward me for giving you a job and letting you live a decent life. But how can you speak with someone with no heart, no feelings and no regrets what's so ever."

«Well, your job and your decent life are not enough, I want everything and this is the only way.» Replied Michel. It looked like everything was going as Michel planned.

Elizabeth was also in shock and she broke into tears. She wasn't crying for herself or Mr. Smith as much as he was crying for John her helpless child.

«If you decided to kill us don't kill John, please spare him and take him to another city and leave him there. He will never know what you did and you won't have to worry about him anymore»

Michel looked at Elizabeth with a big ugly smile on his cold



face which left no doubt in Elizabeth's mind that he is going to kill John too.

«I can't spare him, he might find a way when he grew up somehow to know what I did and I don't want to take that chance, and for my plan to succeed he must die» said Michel with a big ugly smile on his face.

She looked at John, kissed him on his cheek, hugged him dearly and spoke to him as if he understood what she was saying

“Dear John I am sorry for what I will do in few moments, I have no choice but to throw you in the water you might have a chance and I will not give your uncle the satisfaction he wanted or desired, I will leave him with some doubt that you might live or saved by someone”.

She then looked at Michel with eyes full of tears and begged him once again to spare John and walk toward the rim of the boat.





Without any hesitation Michel fired his gun and shot Mr. Smith in his hart. He fell on the deck of the boat and his eyes were filled of tears. Mr. Smith wasn't crying for the loss of his life but for the lives of his loved ones which were about to be wasted by his own brother.

As if he was saying to Elizabeth
«I am sorry for trusting my brother».

After she saw her husband on the deck with his blood all over the place, she knew that Michel is not going to spare her or her child. Elizabeth stood near the end of the yacht and in a quick move through John into the ocean. Michel fired another bullet and shot Elizabeth in the back.



She fell down with her eyes looking up towered the sky asking god to save John.



She threw John into the blue cold water and John began to sink into the deep dark water. As a mother she was desperate but she thought that John might get another chance somehow or die in the ocean and won't let his uncle has the privilege of killing him.

No one could imagine what was awaiting John in the Ocean, whether a big fish will crush his small bones or is it small fish going to eat him later when he drowned. But nothing from this or that happened. Mercurially John was saved.



Out of nowhere came a huge oyster as if it was waiting for John to fall in the water, or if it was watching what was happening on the boat, and in a sudden move it swallowed him. The oyster took John into the dark cold water. Nobody had seen or heard of an oyster of this size or shape and it never been seen again.



Michel ran to the end of the yacht and looked down at the water but he saw nothing. He had no doubt that John had drowned and died. He said to himself

«Well, a baby can't swim or cry for help». He smiled.

He stood there looking at his brother and his wife and with no feelings dragged them to the end of the boat and put piece of cloth and put them in bags. After that he brought a box made of lid, which he prepared earlier, and put their bodies and their belongings in the box. He didn't forget John's stuff and put them with his parent's bodies and dumped everything in the ocean.

«I am rich and nobody can stop me from getting all this fortune» said John to himself with his eyes wide open.



After he dumped the big lid box into the ocean, Michle stated to clean the boat from the blood of his family which was all over the place. He looked carefully for any traces of blood and wiped the boat clean. He spent the rest of the day fishing as if nothing happened. With no guilt or sorrow he went back to shore and waved his hands couple of times to other fishermen on his way back as if he was fishing alone. He even brought his catch with him. Michel went to his house thinking of the fortune that was going to be his after a short period of time.

The rest of the weekend went by and nothing happened. Everybody thought that Mr. Smith and his family went out of town as they usually do without informing anyone. It's a way of escaping the long weekdays Mr. Smith spent at his work and as an appreciation to his wife.

On Monday morning Michel went to his brother's company where he was working, and act normally. He waited for other employers to come and tell him that his brother did not come to work today.





Michel didn't wait for a long time and as he expected, his brother's secretary came and said

«Your brother did not come to work today, sir.

«Call his house» said Michel.

«We called and the maid said that nobody saw him since Saturday morning, he left with his wife and son and didn't come back» Replied the secretary.

«Will you please call hospitals and the police, an accident might happen and we did not know.» Said Michel.

The secretary called the police who came and began looking for Mr. Smith and his family.

«We will wait twenty four hours before we considered Mr. Smith and his family missing. This is the law»

The policeman continued;

«In the meantime you can call his friends, relatives, and other places that he might go to».

«You can also call hospitals and clinics». Replied the other policeman.

After twenty four hours Mr. Smith and his family were considered missing and an investigation was carried out by the police who started the investigation after they made sure that Mr. Smith and his family didn't have an accident or imbedded in a hospital.

«Have you seen your brother or his Wife Elizabeth or their son, sir?» the investigator asked Mr. Michel.

«Yes, I used to see him every morning, till Friday and I went fishing alone this weekend» replied Michel.

«What time did you come back, and did anyone saw



you?» Asked the investigator

«To tell you the truth, I went alone, but in my way back I saw a couple of friend in their boats and I waved my hands to them, if that what you mean?»

«Yes that's exactly what I meant» agreed the investigator and took the names of the two owners for further investigation.

The investigator also questioned the secretary «Does, Mr. Smith have any enemies, or did he mention any one that might harm him or his family, madam?

«No sir, everybody liked Mr. Smith. He was kind and he cared for all his employees». Answered the secretary.

«What about his brother. What can you tell us about him?»

«Well, nothing much» she continued after a short silence as if she was trying to remember something.

«He came to work with his brother three months ago and his brother liked him»

«Can you tell us anything about Mr. Smith's wife, madam?» Asked the investigator.

«Not really, no, I never met her. I only spoke with her on the phone few times. She seemed a nice lady and I only saw her photo with her son John on Mr. Smith's desk in his office.» she continued.

The investigators questioned all the employees in the company and tried to find any lead that might enriched the investigation, but with no luck, they always go back to square one.

It took the investigators three months of hard investigation, and they closed the case. Without Mr. Smith's body or



appearance somewhere nor his family, the police can't accuse anyone of wrong doing.

During that time, Michel was appointed by the court to be the guardian on the property and the whole business of the family till the appearance of Mr. Smith or his wife or son. The courts also urged Mr. Michel maintains his brother's wealth till further notice.





Michel knew that neither his brother nor his family would appear again, and it's a matter of time that everything will be his.

«Mr. Michel, would you please sign these papers? We can't wait much longer, sir» asked Mr. Smith's secretary who became his secretary now, and from now on everybody will call him Mr. Michel in the company since he became the manager now.

On the other hand, he moved into his brother's big house and enjoyed the luxury. Mr. Michel began to run the company. He was waiting for the courts to declare him the inheritant of his brother. It took the courts one year to declare him the only beneficiary.



THE OYSTER

This wasn't an ordinary oyster and that wasn't something that will happened again or might happen in a life time, this unusual oyster in one of a kind, in fact it was the only oyster with large shells and thinking brain in the world. All oysters as a specie had to follow instincts to survive and breed, but not like this special oyster which had a thinking brain. Where did this oyster come from? How did it become so big? Was it by chance that it swallowed John? And did it kill John or did it save him?

To find answers for these questions and to understand what had happened to this oyster and how it was transferred, let's go back in time thirty years, in 1930, and in the last Sunday of July of that year. Dr. Edward a brilliant scientist who was specialized in human genes and had many researches in that area decided to carry out scientific experiments to develop a link between humans and sea animals. He believed that genes can be transferred from human to animals in a certain way.

In these experiments Dr. Edward wanted to prove to himself and to the world that he can create a sea animal which will respond to genetic changes. On the other hand, Dr. Edward wasn't sure which animal will respond to his experiments better.

He decided to secretly carry out his experiments and keep the results to the end. Dr. Edward wasn't a selfish scientist



who didn't want to share his knowledge with others, in fact he was a great scientist but he wasn't sure of the out coming results. Dr. Edward decided to use his boat as a movable lab and do all his experiments on that boat with the help of his servant Mr. Adam who was considered as his son. There was a special relationship between Dr. Edward and Adam; they were like father and son. Adam holds a great deal of respect to Dr. Edward. On the other hand Dr. Edward trusted Mr. Adam and depended on him to do many things one of which is to prepare the boat each time they wanted to sail.



«Well, Adam I am going to enter the history from its widest doors» Said Dr. Edward.

«And how is that sir? If I might ask» wondered Adam.

«I am going to run some experiments on human genes



and sea animal's genes». Explained Dr, Edward.

«Are you going to use Humans for that matter, sir?»

Asked Adam with a big question mark in his mind.

«No not exactly Adam, I am only going to use human genes and I already have a downer, Ms. Janet the young pregnant lady in my lab, my young secretary, I am sure you met her in my office» replied Dr. Edward.

«Yes sir I met her few times in your office. She is a nice young lady» added Adam.

But still Adam didn't understand why these experiments need to be carried out in secret. He looked at Dr. Edward and asked again «Forgive me for asking again sir, but why these experiments had to be carried out in secret? Why do you need to run them on your boat? And is there any risk involved?» asked Adam.

«No Adam, there is no risk involved, but for now I need my results to be just mine. I don't know what the final outcome is going to be and I don't want other scientist to know what I am doing» continued Dr. Edward «I will establish my movable lab on my boat and you are going to help me. Promise me that this will be our secret and you will not tell anyone no matter what» said Dr. Edward.

«You have my word, sir, and I will not tell anyone as long as I live». Continued Adam «Tomorrow I will start preparing the boat for you, sir»

Mr. Adam knew the main Idea of the experiments, but he didn't know the details or what the outcome of these experiments. He left that to Dr. Edward and he wasn't interested in science. His only joy was to serve Dr. Edward



any way he can without any complains. Adam believed in Dr. Edward's work and that he was working on something important.

Adam worked so hard to prepare the boat to become a movable lab under of course the supervision of Dr, Edward, who spent a considerable amount of time in that matter. In fact many changes had to be made to prepare the boat and it took Adam and Dr. Edward two months to complete the job.

«Well done my son, we will take few days to rest and this coming weekend we will sail in our boat. We will go to fish certain kinds of sea animals for the experiment» said Dr. Edward.

«OK sir» agreed Adam as they walked together heading home.

As they planned, on the weekend they took the boat for a ride in the ocean. Near the shore Dr. Edward asked Adam to dive in that area and try to catch a small fish, an octopus, an oyster and other kinds of sea animals. Fortunately Adam found these animals and the small fish too, and brought them back to the boat for Dr. Edward

«I found what you wanted sir, I hope this is what you need» said Adam while he was resting on the deck of the boat.

Dr. Edward looked at the samples and said «That's exactly what I need, thank you»

Then Dr. Edward took these different kinds of sea animals along with the small fish and put them carefully in different containers in his lab. He started to study these animals and write some notes on each one.



When Dr. Edward finished his notes, he decided to start injecting those animals with human genes which he took from Mrs. Janet the young pregnant secretary.

Dr. Edward kept his animals in the lab most of the time but sometimes he needed to take them out in the sun as a part of his experiment and watches them closely and carefully for any changes in behavior and writes his notes.

Everything was going as Dr. Edward planned and after a month of hard work, Dr. Edward went to his lab one morning and decided to give the oyster a set of injections again. When he looked at the oyster, Dr. Edward noticed that it gained some weight and looked little different. On that morning everything was perfect, the ocean was calm, and the water looked like a piece of glass as it reflects the image of the



sun on the surface of the water. Dr. Edward decided to take the oyster out of its jar and place it for a moment on the deck. At that very moment and while he was carrying the oyster in his hand and heading to the end of the boat, Adam turned the boat suddenly and Dr. Edward fell down and as he grabbed the rim of the boat, the oyster fell into the ocean and disappeared.



It appears that Mr. Adam was trying to avoid hitting a whale which came from nowhere.

«I am terribly sorry sir. I saw a big whale in my way and it was very close, so I had to turn the boat so sudden»

Adam apologized «I hope you didn't get hurt, sir»

«I am OK, but I lost my oyster. It wasn't your fault» replied Dr. Edward.

«I will be more careful next time, sir» added Adam.



Dr Edward decided to watch the other animals for new changes and he decided to forget about the oyster because there was no way to bring it back.

One day as usual, Dr. Edward was working in his lab and Adam was driving the boat, a fire started in the lab and it spread so fast that Dr. Edward couldn't control it.

He tried to put off the fire and unfortunately in few seconds the fire surrounded Dr. Edward and there were no chance to save himself or his experiments.

Unfortunately he died along with his animals. By the time Adam reached the lab it was impossible to save anything but himself. He tried to save Dr. Edward, he really tried, but it was too late.



Without second thoughts he jumped into the water and watched the boat as it sank into the water with all of the hard work, notes and memories of Dr. Edward's. Other fishermen saw the fire and came to assist them. Because Dr. Edward



wants his work to be far away from others, he usually sails far from other boats.

When Adam jumped into the water he found a piece of wood and climbed on it and waited, till he was rescued by the fisherman.

«What happened sir? Asked one of the fishermen as he was pulling Adam from the water «A fire started on our boat and it spread so fast that we couldn't do anything» answered Adam with a shaking voice.

«Are there any other survivors, sir? Shouted the fisherman while he was looking around into the water.

«No, I am afraid not, Dr, Edward died when he was trying to save the boat» answered Adam with his eyes full of tears.

«I am sorry, I wish we were closer to your boat, sir» added the fisherman.

«I am sorry too sir, this is the will of god and this is our destiny» concluded Adam and that was the end their conversation.

They took Adam to the shore and left him there and went back to the sea. Adam couldn't believe what happened and stood there for a while thinking what went wrong, and if it was his fault. He tried to remember all the details but still he didn't know what went wrong.

Full of grief, Adam went to the police and told them about the accident. As in all cases the police carried out an investigation and concluded that it was a tragic accident.

Because Adam was like his son, Dr. Edward in his will left the house for Adam. Now according to Dr. Edward's will,



Adam was the only beneficiary. Years went by and Mr. Adam still remembers the accident as if it was yesterday. He never went back to the sea and decided to live a normal live away from fishing and boats and said to himself

«Never again, I will not sail or fish again. Never again» Let us go back to the oyster and see what had happen to it. When the oyster went back to its habitat back into the water, some things strange had happened. Many years had gone; in fact many years went by since this oyster was injected with human genes.



The oyster had grown to a size of about one meter in diameter and it was obvious that there was no other oyster looks like it in any place in the world. Beside its huge size, this unique and amazing oyster had developed new set of genes. Other features also had developed, such as logic thinking skills, the ability to know the past of a person or a sea animal, and communicate with humans by telepathy: that is reaching in others minds and communicate with them through thoughts and ideas. Poor Dr. Edward if he was alive



now he would have been the most famous scientist on the face of the earth.

Now back to John our helpless child who lost his parents and went into the unknown. The oyster saw John sinking into the water and without hesitation it took him into her shells and went back to the sea. This unusual oyster knew that John need air to breathe and milk to drink in order to survive in her shells.



JANET THE OYSTER

In the memory of Dr. Edward and Janet who donated her genes to the benefit of science we will call the oyster Janet and refer to it as a she. Janet the oyster took John to a near cave that was under a sea mountain reaches the surface allowing the air to slide through and reaches caves in that mountain for John to breath. Since the donator was a pregnant female, Janet the oyster developed some kind of a formula and when she offered John that liquid he accepted it and started to suck and went to sleep.

An immediate relationship developed between Janet the Oyster and John. As he was growing up, the unique formula of Janet the oyster had given him some distinguish features. John developed ability to breath under water like any other fish. On the other hand he can breathe normally when he leaves the water. John also gained the ability to communicate with his only known mother to him by reading and receiving her thoughts, and vice versa. Likewise he developed the ability to communicate with other creatures in the water, and believe it or not he had some friends to play with. He had two young dolphins, a butterfish, a blowfish, and a spot. John became to be a special child with extraordinary skills and by the age of four John became an excellent swimmer, and he had other features began to develop. . All of these super natural powers and gifts were disturbed by one obstacle, John discover that he can't stay away from water more than forty eight hours. If he leaves the water for that time he can't breathe and loses his powers gradually and eventually he will die unless he goes back to the water even for a quick swim.



For now that didn't bother John, since he knew that he will not leave the water or stay in the cave for that long.

John and his mother Janet also discover that he is faster than any other sea animals or fish, and he has an amazing body strength allows him to lift heavy things under water. Although John was very special and extraordinary young man lives under water, he kept his good looking appearance as a young man.



John began to discover the habitat around him along with his sea friends, but never went far from his cave. By the age of ten he began to see other humans diving and swimming. He started to realize that he was different in many ways, he



looks like a human being and he moves around freely as a fish. He does not need air to breath under water and he can breathe normally out of the water. He waited till those divers finish whatever business they were having under water, and then went back to his mother with all these questions. She started to teach him about his origins and that he descended from humans, but she never told him about his real parents and what had happened to them.

Janet the oyster was waiting for the right moment to come, to tell him the story of his family. She began teaching him about right and wrong, about justice and injustice and about morality. Janet also taught him to appreciate his gifts and use them to help others who will need him when the right time comes. She promised him that when the right time comes she will tell him everything he wanted to know and will answer all the questions. Because he trusted his mother deeply and respected her too much, he decided to wait.

John also had to wait until his mother Janet allows him to start his mission in life. When John reached eighteen years old he began to understand the meaning of his existence and that he has a mission in his life. Janet his mother taught him how to speak English as a gentleman through telepathy and how to behave like one. She taught him how to start a conversation and how to end it. He also learned everything about real estate business.

So as an appreciation of the chance he had in his life he decided to help others in the sea world, and he will not distinguish between humans or sea animals that need help



under water. Wherever justice is served and lives need to be rescued, he will be there. He devoted his life and effort to help others and serve justice in his world.

Now he can take care of himself and decided to find a bigger place that fulfills his needs. Janet the mother knew what her beloved son was thinking about and told him about a cave suitable to his new life. This new home is impossible for other humans to find or discover. It is also has many rooms, and some of them has fresh air circulating from openings reach high above sea level. John was so thrilled to know about his new house and decided to leave immediately with his mother.

John knew that he needed some furniture and clothes, and he knew exactly where to find them. In his many adventures with his sea friends, he saw a number of ships under water and he knew that all he needed is in these ships. Fortunately, no one was going to oppose John's borrowing anything he needed. He began to furnish his new home, and he also borrowed some of the clothes in these ships. John also prepared secret passes to the cave and a place for a boat that he might use later on to move around as John the real estate businessman.

John had finished decorating his new place. And now he is thinking of another mater that kept him unhappy and worried all these years. Where did he come from? Who are his real parents? What had happened to them? Are they still alive? He hoped that these questions can be answered by his mother some time soon.



THE NEW IDENTITY

Janet decided that the right time has come to tell John about his past and what had happened to his real parents. She past her thoughts to him, and because she had the ability to show him the past, John saw his past as a vision in his mind. He saw his uncle killing his parents in cold blood and he saw his mother when she threw him into the water. He also saw Janet the oyster when she came from nowhere and grab him protecting him from the unknown. Full of rage and revenge, he decided to avenge his parents, but the time is not right. He will wait for the right time.

John decided to live a double life, one under water as «Shellman» who is the guardian of seas and oceans, and the other one is John the real estate businessman like his father. These new identities need a lot of planning. John seeks wisdom from his mother who will be his guide under water. He also needs a friend outside the water.

Who will be his secret protector on land? Where he will settle and when? The answer came from his mother; the only person you can trust on land is Mr. Adam. Janet took John in another dream or vision to show him the beginnings of her life and the experiments of Dr. Edward and his servant Mr. Adam.

John began cruising the ocean and helping fishermen and other people needed help, and he also rescued sea animals and fish from old nets or ropes thrown into the sea by careless fishermen.



No one from the people been saved knew who saved him, and began to speculate and tell stories about dolphins and other sea animals.

«I think I was saved by a dolphin, it carried me on its back» said one of the people who was saved by

Shellman when his boat crashed during a storm.

«No, that was not a dolphin that saved me» said another fisher man «that was a whale» he continued.

«Well, whatever saved me I thank God for it» said a third one as they gathered around near the shore and wondering.

These stories began to appear on the news and newspapers. John started his job by rescuing people from drowning or save others from sharks and killer whales. He did not interfere with police business when they were doing their job or when they pursue smugglers or drug dealers. He kept his identity secret for the time being.

So John decided to leave his cave and prepare himself to go on land and meet Adam. This was a chance that John has to take because he needed someone to trust outside the water and the only one he could revile his secret to is Mr. Adam. Janet told John where to find Adam and to present himself as John.

Well, Mr. Adam used to walk early in the morning for half an hour everyday near his big house. Although Adam was an old man, he kept his body in good shape and he has a sharp mind. After his walk, Mr. Adam drinks his tea in the garden. John took some of his clothes to use after he leaves the water and planned to stay in a motel for few days. When he



settled down in a motel near the shore, he dressed well and went out thinking of the right moment to meet Mr. Adam.



While he was walking near the beach, he saw Mr. Adam walking alone as he used to do every morning. It was only by luck that Mr. Adam was about to fall down and John reach to his arm and prevented him from falling to the ground. That was the right moment to meet Mr. Adam.

«Thank you my son» said Mr. Adam.

«I have done nothing, sir» replied John.

«It was god's mercy that put you in my way today».

«I am glad that nothing happened to you, sir».

Mr. Adam insisted that John accompanies him to his house and have a cup of tea. When they sat down, John began to talk about the past telling Mr. Adam about the experiment and Dr. Edward and the outcome of his research.

John drank some tea and looked at the old man and said

«In fact I came to tell about Dr. Edward's experiments»

Mr. Adam dropped his cup and looked at John with no words in his mouth. John took him back many years, when he was a young man helping his master on his boat.

«I know about the work of Dr. Edward and his secret



experiment, and I would like to tell you about the results of that experiment» said John.



John told Mr. Adam about the oyster which fell in the water and how Dr. Edward was eager to bring it back since he knew that it was injected with human genes. Memories took back Mr. Adam to that day as if it was yesterday. He remembered everything, but still in shock. John saw the look on Adam's face, and before he speaks, John continued and told him about the fire and the death of Dr. Edward.

«I know my story is hard to believe» said John «and you are the only one that I can trust.» He continued. «No my son, on the contrary, what you said is what I know from my past. I will be at your service and I will help you any way I can». Replied Adam with a big smile on his face. «I believe that you have more surprises to tell me young



man, and I think that you have a big secret to tell me». Said the old man»

John nodded his head and began telling him about that oyster and what had happened to her in thirty years and how she changed to this wonderful creature with many abilities. Going back in his memory Mr. Adam found out that everything John said made sense to him or at least fit together with what Dr, Edward was doing. Although Dr, Edward did not tell Adam about his work, but Adam now can remember all of what John had said.

«Still you did not tell me how you knew all these things». Replied Adam with that same look of surprise still on his face.

«Well, this is another story and I will tell you everything tonight». Now I think you need to get some rest and I will come back at seven o'clock» answered John while he was heading toward the door.

«I will be waiting to see you at seven sharp, do not be late» said Mr. Adam and waved his hand good bye.

John went to his room at the hotel thinking of the future. He believed that Mr. Adam was the right man, and he will help him in his secret life. Mr. Adam spent the whole afternoon thinking of what John had said, and he decided to wait till John tell him the rest of the story tonight.

At seven sharp came John to Mr. Adam's house.

«Good evening Mr. Adam» said John while he was shaking the old man's hand.

«Good evening my son, come in please» replied Mr. Adam.



«I was thinking of what you said and I believe everything you told me, and I am waiting to hear the rest of the story». Said Mr. Adam «I will tell you everything in a moment, but you have to promise me that what I will tell you remains a secret between you and me». Replied John with a look of hope in his eyes.
«You have my word» said Mr. Adam.

So John began telling him what had happened to his parent and how his uncle killed them and what had happened to him when his real mother threw him into the water. John began to explain to Mr. Adam his journey during the last twenty years of his life. John also told him about his double life and in order to succeed he needs someone on land to help him keeps his secret identity.

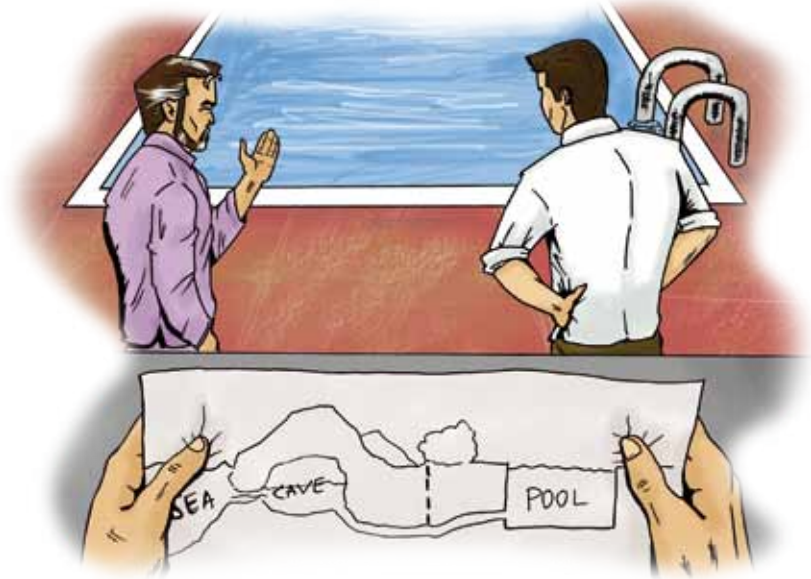
«I heard some stories in the news and read some in the newspapers about a creature or someone helping fisher men or others needed help in the last few months». Said Mr. Adam as he accompanies John to the dining room for dinner.

«You know that I live alone and I would love to have company especially from someone like you». Said Mr. Adam.

«I need a secret tunnel from your house to the ocean and I will keep some of my belongings in your house».

Said John while he was waiting for an approval from Mr. Adam.

«I will be your guide and you can start doing what you like in this house, consider it yours, let's start by using the swimming pool and we can build a tunnel beneath



it.» Answered Adam. Then he continued «From now on you will be my nephew who was in Ohio all these years and came back to settle in Florida with his uncle. I also will work on your new costume for Shellman and in few days it will be ready «That is a wonderful idea and I will be in the real estate business to regain my father’s company and avenge my parents» replied John.

John left the old man’s house and promised him a quick return. He went back to his room in the hotel and waited for the night to arrive so he can go to back to the sea without being noticed. John went back to his cave and told his mother what had happened with Mr. Adam. Janet encouraged John to start working on his secret tunnel to Mr. Adam’s house as soon as he can, and prepare everything he needs to start his double life.



John finished digging the secret tunnel to Mr. Adam's house and it ends in the swimming pool in Mr. Adam's house. John started to use his tunnel to move around between lands and see.



RESCUING THE GIRL

As usual when he was cruising the water looking for people in need, John saw a young girl on the surface of the water unconscious.



He carried her to a rock near the shore and luckily the girl was alive. While he was carrying her she regain conscious for a second and thought that she saw someone holding her between his arms. But because she was very tired, she was unconscious again. He stood behind a rock watching the young girl and he was impressed by her beauty. Within few minutes the woman started gaining her conscious and she opened he eyes, looked around but she saw nobody, John was swimming away thinking of her and how beautiful she was.

Every day sandy comes to that rock and thinks that she will see or meet that someone who brought her shore and



saved her life. With no luck, sandy never saw her hero again. She stood there for hours and hours but never seen or heard anything. She thought that he might come to the same place again or she might see someone there.

«I know that I saw someone and he carried me to that rock, or was I dreaming». She wondered «If I was dreaming, then who brought me to that rock? and who saved me from drowning». She said to herself.

Questions went on and on in her mind, and she told no one about the incident thinking that she might find the truth one day, or he might reveal his identity when he feels that this was the right time.





On the other hand, John was watching her every day but he could not reveal himself to her. John loved Sandy from the very beginning and it was love from the first sight. Now John can keep his identity and protect his new way of life. After consulting his mother, John decided to reveal himself to others on boats and when he was rescuing people in need as Shellman defender of justice in oceans and seas. The news reached the whole town and newspapers started to write and publish his photos all over the United States. John now can reveal himself in his costume cruise the ocean.

Like everyone else, Sandy heard the news and saw Shellman's photo in the newspaper and she had no doubt the he was her rescuer that day. She decided to thank him if she meets him one day. On the other hand, John's uncle who became a professional drug dealer and a big smuggler started to worry about smuggling. Other smugglers also began to worry about their business.

John at the same time started to go out and meet others as John the real estate business man along with his uncle Mr. Adam who presented him as John his nephew who was living in Ohio with his parents all these years. John became a well known man in the city and his news reached his uncle who now has to fear both and to worry about his businesses in the ocean and on land, both were in danger smuggling of drugs and weapons and real estate business.

While John was walking one day near the beach, he entered a marine equipment store where Sandy was working. He met her by chance and immediately he knew her.

«Hi, I am John» he said.

«Hi, I am Sandy, how can I help you?» replied Sandy.

«I need to buy a fishing rod and some bait». answered John.



«Well we have different kinds depends on where you want to fish. Are you going to use it on shore or do you have a boat?» Said Sandy while she was grabbing the two kinds of fishing rods to show John.

«Actually I do not have a boat and I am afraid of water, I only like fishing on shore» replied John.

In his mind John wanted to keep his secret identity far away from Sandy. Since Shellman was the master of oceans and seas, John was afraid of water. This idea kept him out of suspicions.

«Okay this is what you need then». She said.

While she was handling him the fishing rod John heard on the news that someone in danger at sea. He left in a hurry.

“You rod sir!” shouted sandy.

“Keep it in the store I’ll get it later, sorry but I have to leave now”. Replied John.

John headed back to Adams house and went to rescue the man in jeopardy.





Then he went back to Adams house thinking of Sandy. Now he knew where sandy works and he can see her any time. When Sandy leaves work, she goes to that same rock hopping to see Shellman, but no luck. Next morning John heard on the news that a large ship was about to drawn and people needed his help. John went there and as usual he saved the people and the ship and took them to a safe place.



Time went by and Shellman became guardian of seas and oceans and everyone loved him except thieves, smugglers, and bad people. Shellman also saved many of the sea animals and fish trapped in nets or robes. He did not forget his friends when he was a small boy and still remember them. His sea friends now live near his secret cave and he sees them and plays with them sometimes when he returns to his cave. His



mother Janet was so glad that her son is now a super hero and the protector of sea world. John still seeks wisdom from his mother and he still communicates with his mother through telepathy.

John still thinks about his parents, and wants to avenge them but he is waiting for the right time. He wants to see his uncle with no power and no money, John also wanted his uncle to admit his guilt and crime. Even though he has a bigger responsibility now and the whole world is seeking his help, John still keeping an eye on his uncle's businesses.



John's uncle on the other hand, is trying to gather as much information as he could so that he can deal with this new person that endangered all his smuggling operations.



Michal knew that everyone has weaknesses and he will find Shellman's weaknesses one day and he will use them against John and eventually he will win his war against Shellman.

John knew that he will have many enemies as Shellman or as a real estate businessman. It is the war between right and wrong, good and evil. John knew that his destiny is to help people in need as well as trapped sea creatures.

Sandy, driven by her true love to Shellman, tried to uncover his secret cave and his identity. She is trying and John is making it difficult for others to know more about his double life.

Michel also had his share of bothering Shellman and every time he creates a new trap to capture Shellman alive and reveal his identity. Michal also needs to deal with John the real estate businessman who was getting famous and rich.

Janet also needs to keep an eye on her son, making sure that John's abilities are well maintained and she always provides him with wisdom. Once in a while John spend some time with his mother to keep her company and to try to repay her for what she has done for him all these years of caring and love.

We will not forget his wise assistant old Adam who kept John's secrets and offered him a cover for his other identity. Adam is now the right hand of Shellman and his family out of the water. Shelman is now a well known hero that will keep oceans and seas safe for fishermen, legitimate trading and sailing ships.



Many adventures happened, and each adventure needs to be written alone and uncover its details as Shellman wonders the ocean and his uncle is trying to stop him. John is a major part of these adventures along with Adam and Sandy, not to forget Janet the oyster.



On that perfect day a horrible and vicious crime was going to take place. No one even thought or had an imagination of a scenario about the event that was going to take place or what would be the outcome of that event.

What was going to happen on that day is something that will change all of the seas and oceans. Things would be different after that day, or lets say after what will happen on that day.

Out of nowhere came a huge oyster as if it was waiting for John to fall in the water, or if it was watching what was happening on the boat, and in a sudden move it swallowed him.

