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Ready, set, go AME

Overall winner Mickey Hooke (16 minutes, 54 seconds), top photo, front center, shows his determination at the start as runners take off in the 5-kilometer Anna Maria Elementary School Dolphin Dash Saturday. The dash also featured a 1-mile run and Morgan Hackworth, right, an AME fourth-grader, was the first to cross the finish line in that race at 6:51. The event raised money for the school's Parent-Teacher Organization. It was followed by refreshments and prize drawings at St. Bernard Catholic Church, Holmes Beach. For winners, more pictures and information on the race, see inside, page 11.

Islander Photos:
Lisa Neff (top),
Diana Bogan (right)



GSR snubs Island real estate agencies

By Rick Catlin
Islander Reporter

Financially strapped GSR Development LLC filed a motion with the federal bankruptcy court last week to allow it to retain RoseBay Real Estate as an "exclusive broker" for a number of its Island properties, apparently ignoring a proposal from at least one Island real estate company and failing to contact other major real estate players for a proposal.

According to the court documents, GSR chief restructuring manager Bill Maloney claimed he "interviewed a large number of major Realtors on Anna Maria Island" before selecting RoseBay.

Not so, said Frank Davis of Island Real Estate, one of the largest real estate companies on the Island. Davis said his office was never contacted to submit a marketing plan and strategy.

Likewise, Mike Norman of Mike Norman Real Estate said he was never contacted by Maloney, nor was Wagner Real Estate, according to manager Becky Smith.

Ron Travis of RE/MAX Gulfstream chimed in that his office was never contacted by Maloney or asked to submit a proposal.

Barry Gould of Island Vacation Properties, however, said he did submit a proposal, but rejected the counter-proposal offered him by Maloney. Gould declined to elaborate further.

Maloney also claimed in the court document that he "obtained and utilized advice and counsel from creditors," including Kent Davis and Paul Gallizzi.

That's not entirely correct, said Gallizzi.

"Yes, he contacted me for advice, but he rejected my advice. I told him to spread the property listings around to a number of Island real estate agents," he said.

Kent Davis agreed that he spoke with Maloney and had recommended Gould, among other possible Island real estate agencies.

Maloney said that he reviewed each of the marketing plans submitted and he selected the RoseBay offer as the "highest and best plan" for GSR.

RoseBay said it would offer a "buy it now price,"

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Insurance: Lawmakers seek sensible solutions in session

By Molly McCartney
Islander Reporter

TALLAHASSEE — State legislators have produced a "big win" for Anna Maria Island in their effort to resolve the state insurance crisis in the judgment of state Rep. Bill Galvano, R-Bradenton, who represents western Manatee County.

That is because legislators, in tense bargaining over the weekend, have agreed to eliminate the controversial wind-zone boundaries that have split the Island down the middle, he said.

Now all commercial and residential property owners on the Island — and elsewhere in the state — will be able to buy wind coverage from the state's Citizens Property Insurance Corporation, he said.

This will represent a dramatic change in the law, Galvano said.

A final vote approving this and other state insurance reforms was expected Monday afternoon in the Florida Legislature. The new legislation also must be signed by Gov. Charlie Crist before it would become effective.

"This is a big win for the Island," Galvano said.

Businesses on Anna Maria have been among the hardest hit by the state requirement that a commercial property be within 1,000 feet of the Gulf shoreline to be eligible for wind coverage from Citizens, the state's insurer of last resort. As a result, some commercial properties have no wind insurance, either because they could not find any or they could not afford what was available from the private market. Other commercial owners outside the wind zone have paid huge increases in the past year to buy wind policies from unregulated

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Longboat Bridge late-night access denied next week

Late-night travel between Bradenton Beach and Longboat Key will include a significant detour next week.

Florida Department of Transportation officials said the Longboat Pass Bridge will be closed to vehicular and boat traffic from 11 p.m. to 6 a.m. Jan. 28 through Feb. 1 while workers replace the fender system on the span.

Traffic will be rerouted to the New Pass Bridge during the repair work, adding an extra 30-plus miles to a motorist's trip. Boaters hoping to pass through the draw will have to wait until workers are finished for the night.

DOT officials said lighted message boards will be updated with information regarding the closures.

According to information from the town of Longboat Key, "If work on the bridge is not complete by Feb. 1, the DOT will not begin work again until Feb. 4 so as not to interfere with weekend business."

GSR chooses non-Islander

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for any property if submitted by March 15. The bankruptcy court would have to approve any offer.

Further, said the motion, RoseBay would be entitled to a 6 percent commission on any sale, plus an additional 1 percent bonus commission for all properties with sales contracts submitted on or before March 15 that are subsequently court approved and closed.

As an added bonus, RoseBay would get a further 5 percent of any sale of more than 10 percent above GSR's reserve price on any property.

Maloney and GSR believe that RoseBay is "imminently qualified to serve in this Chapter 11 case as an exclusive broker with respect to the specific properties," and that retaining RoseBay "is in the best interest of the debtor [GSR], its estate, creditors and other interest holders."

The motion said that Maloney and GSR, through the "exercise of its business judgment" seek to retain RoseBay and asked the court to authorize employment of RoseBay to provide exclusive brokerage, listing and marketing services for the properties.

RoseBay said it would establish an office on Anna Maria to conduct open houses and sales of GSR properties. The company currently has no Island office, but maintains a branch in Sarasota and at 6318 Cortez Road W. in Bradenton.

Objections to the motion are likely to come from the creditors committee, according to one unsecured creditor who asked not to be identified.

Donations to Challenge reach total of \$117,495

The final response to the challenge issued by Chuck and Joey Lester has reached \$117,495, of which Islanders and friends donated \$67,495.

The beneficiary Anna Maria Island Community Center calculated the total from 183 donors at \$67,495, to which the Lesters of Anna Maria added \$50,000.

They had offered to match all donations up to \$50,000 for the Center's building fund, depleted by costs of construction of a new facility at its longtime site, 407 Magnolia Ave., Anna Maria.

RoseBay may have a GSR connection

In the motion submitted to the federal bankruptcy court by GSR attorney Stephen Leslie to have RoseBay Real Estate named as the exclusive listing agent for GSR, the motion claims that RoseBay "has no connections with the debtor [GSR]," or any creditors of the debtor or "any other party of interest." RoseBay claimed it is a "disinterested" party.

Records at the Manatee County Circuit Court might indicate some association between the two entities.

On April 5, 2006, RoseBay real estate agent Laurie Dellatorre filed a lawsuit for repeat violence against a woman named Daphne Alford.

One of the addresses listed for Alford in the court documents of that case is a Holmes Beach property on 52nd Street that at that time was owned by GSR principal Robert Byrne.

In addition, Dellatorre listed her emergency contact as Arlene Byrne, Robert Byrnes' estranged wife.

Dellatorre is a former employee of GSR, according to Paul Gallizzi of Spectrum Management, a company involved with GSR in several Island real estate projects. Gallizzi is owed approximately \$1.04 million by GSR.

According to an affidavit submitted with Leslie's motion, Lynn Parker of RoseBay said that neither herself "nor any professional in RoseBay has served as an officer, director or employee of the debtor (GSR) within two years of the petition date."

Dellatorre said she was a GSR employee but left the company more than two years ago.

"I have nothing to hide about my employment with GSR. It wasn't within the past two years," she said.

The problem, said the creditor, who is also a real estate agent, is that GSR is asking prices far in excess of what the current real estate market will bear.

"I'll bet they don't sell one property by March 15 at those prices," he said.

As an example, he noted that GSR wants \$895,000 for its canalfront home at 403 S. Bay Blvd. in Anna Maria.

"That's an end-of-the-canal house with restricted access. It can only accommodate small boats. I can find a premium canalfront lot on the Island in a much better location for \$625,000."

Attorney John Anthony, representing the creditors committee, has said previously he cannot comment on the GSR case unless authorized by the committee.

Island real estate agents, including Mike Norman, agreed that GSR's prices seem to be high for the present real estate market.

The GSR properties to be listed in the motion and the list prices are:

- 401 S. Bay Blvd., Anna Maria, \$625,000.
- 403 S. Bay Blvd., Anna Maria, \$895,000.
- 506 Bay Drive S., Bradenton Beach, \$895,000.
- 109 Fifth St. S. (A), Bradenton Beach, \$825,000.

- 109 Fifth St. S. (B), Bradenton Beach, \$825,000.

- Seventh Street South, Gardenia 1, Bradenton Beach, \$925,000.

- Seventh Street South, Gardenia 2, Bradenton Beach, \$895,000.

- 615 Key Royale Drive, Holmes Beach, \$1.5 million.

- 311 61st St., Holmes Beach, \$499,000.

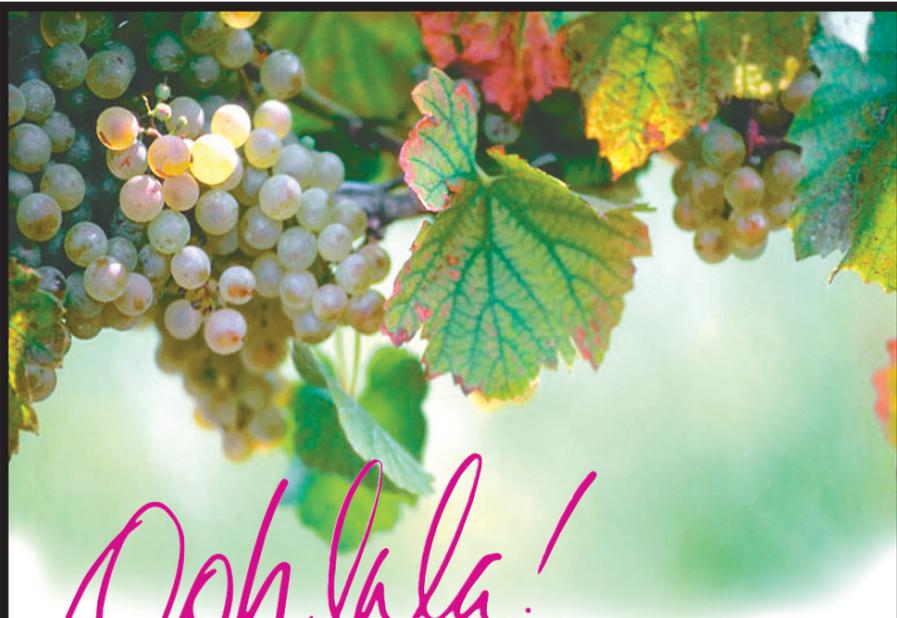
- 312 60th St., (A), Holmes Beach, \$725,000.

- 312 60th St., (B), Holmes Beach, \$725,000.

All of the properties except 403 S. Bay Blvd. in Anna Maria are either under construction or vacant lots. The property at 506 Bay Drive S. in Bradenton Beach is listed as a furnished model.

GSR's Rosa del Mar condominium development vacant property at 2504 Gulf Drive N. in Bradenton Beach was not listed in the court documents, but the asking price is reportedly around \$11 million. GSR had planned to develop condominiums on the site.

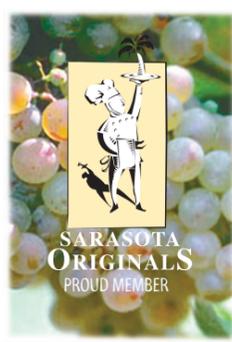
Judge May set a hearing date on the motion for Thursday, Jan. 25, at the federal courthouse at 801 N. Florida Ave. in Tampa.



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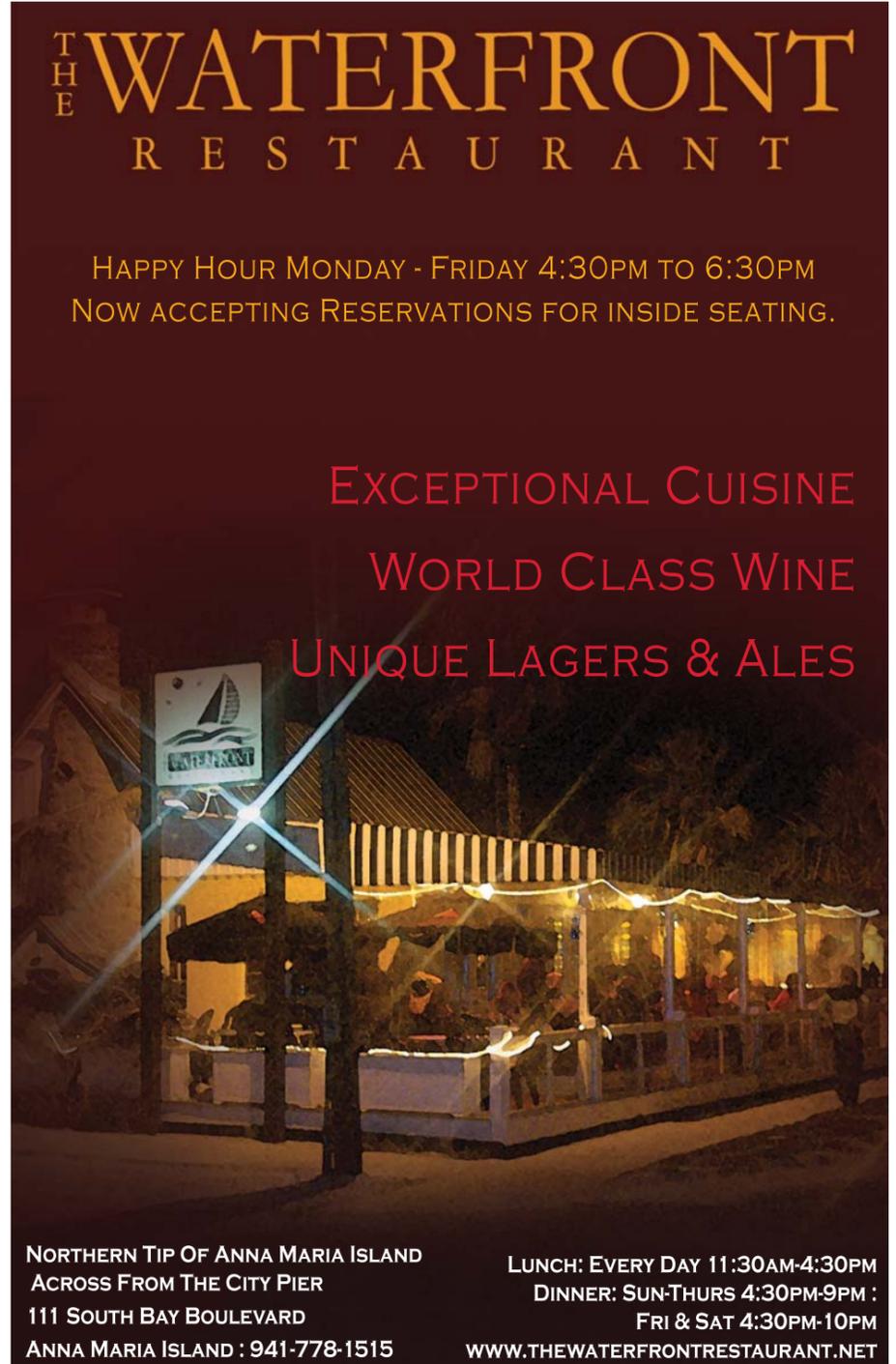
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Anna Maria Island gets kudos from 'LIFE' Magazine

Last Friday's "LIFE" Magazine, now a daily newspaper insert, listed Anna Maria Island as one of the eight island escapes, which the cover proclaims are "guaranteed cures for your winter blues."

"Stuck in a midwinter rut?" the article's headline asks. "If you're seeking sun, scuba, solitude — or even seaside snowballs — one of these spots is waiting."

The magazine, which began publishing in 1936, was resurrected as a Friday supplement in more than 70 newspapers and has a weekly circu-

lation of 12 million copies.

Writer Greg Melville said of the Island in the Jan. 19 issue of LIFE:

"Only a single building on this 7-mile-long string bean of sand west of Bradenton is higher than two stories, and its sugary beaches see more herons and sandpipers than people. Daytime temps hover in the low 70s all winter — perfect for kayaking, fishing or taking it easy. The no-stress island's 8,500 or so permanent residents are spread among three villages, all connected by a free trolley.

"While there: Visit the butterfly park in Holmes

Beach.

"Taste: The grouper Reuben at the Sandbar Restaurant.

"Stay: The cottages at Palm Tree Villas (\$109 and up) in Holmes Beach are just two minutes from the water."

Pictures included shots of the Rod & Reel Pier in Anna Maria City.

Other getaway retreats in the article included Maui, Hawaii; Isla Mujeres, Mexico; Montreal, Canada; Door Peninsula, Wis.; Coronado, Calif.; Bermuda; and Jekyll Island, Ga.

Insurance crisis ends?

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surplus line carriers.

Residential property owners not within the 1,000-foot boundary have access to Citizens, but only if they cannot find coverage from a standard company.

The legislative agreement to allow Citizens to insure commercial property statewide came near the end of a fast-moving week of legislative activity that one lawmaker described as a "train driven by hysteria."

That lawmaker saw the seven-day session as a moving train — with railcars filled with panicky legislators — desperate to satisfy worried constituents and a new governor who has been pushing aggressively for major reform and big premium cuts.

Under growing pressure to respond, state lawmakers worked feverishly through the weekend to reconcile key differences in competing House and Senate insurance reform plans.

Negotiations inside the conference committee, made up of senators and representatives, were "hot and heavy," according to state Sen. Mike Bennett, R-Bradenton, who represents a five-county area that includes Anna Maria Island.

In the final hours, legislators agreed on a series of dramatic actions, including expansion of the Florida Hurricane Catastrophe Fund, to make more cheap reinsurance available to insurers. And companies would be required to pass their savings onto policyholders. Legislators said this would lead to significant premium reductions.

But nobody knows yet the amount of the reductions or the way that premiums might be cut.

Close agreement in the beginning

When the session opened on Jan. 16, there appeared to be close agreement on how to achieve broad insurance reform and significant premium reductions.

This meeting of the legislative minds occurred as demonstrators demanding rate relief filled the streets outside the Capitol buildings and Crist held press conferences telling legislators that he wanted premium reductions of at least 25 percent.

He said he wouldn't sign any legislation short of that goal.

Against this background, the House unanimously approved five bills on Wednesday, the second day of the session. One proposal called for the state to sell cheap reinsurance to companies. Another measure would repeal the Citizens rate hike scheduled

State Sen. Mike Bennett said lawmakers were negotiating "hot and heavy" to reach a compromise package of insurance reforms, including premium reductions. Islander Photo: Molly McCartney



for March. House proposals would also eliminate the "cherry-picking" by insurers who have sought to sell only the most profitable lines of insurance in the safest parts of the state, while leaving the riskiest areas to Citizens.

Shortly after the House approved its package, the Senate unanimously voted for its version of insurance relief measures.

As the two sides turned their proposals over to the conference committee to resolve the differences, there were high hopes that the session could complete its mission as early as Thursday or Friday.

That didn't happen.

Instead, lawmakers began to bog down in their differences. And other players — including newly elected Chief Financial Officer Alex Sink — began analyzing the legislative proposals and coming up with a different set of numbers and different concerns.

On Thursday, Sink announced that the Senate proposal to provide insurance companies with free reinsurance "gives me heartburn" because, she said, it put some risk on the state's bonding ability. She described the House version, which would sell the reinsurance at a low price to insurers, as more modest and "in the realm of do-ability."

Sink wasn't the only voice questioning the legislative numbers.

The state Office of Insurance Regulation (OIR) reported that the House plan would save policyholders only 13 percent, rather than the 25 percent that House sponsors claimed.

The Senate proposal would save policyholders 26 percent, but not the 35 to 40 percent that Senate sponsors had said, according to the OIR analysis.

Lemonade and chicken salad

Even more revealing was an exchange in a general session when Sen. Bill Posey, R-Rockledge, was asked to explain the impact of the Senate rate plan on a homeowner who paid \$1,000 for insurance last year and \$2,000 this year.

Would the legislative proposal cut the homeowner's old premium of \$1,000 or would it cut his new \$2,000 premium?

According to Posey, the Senate proposal would reduce the homeowner's \$2,000 bill.

So the homeowner would still have an increase in premium?

The answer, according to Posey, was yes, although he described it as a smaller increase.

In another exchange with a colleague questioning a senate proposal, Posey gave this response:

"We can make lemonade out of lemons. But don't expect us to make chicken salad out of chicken manure."

Other participants in the legislative process, including insurance representatives, argued that Florida lawmakers were on the verge of creating new and dan-

gerous problems for the state instead of solving the insurance crisis.

"I travel the state and I know about the pain," attorney Mark Delegal told one legislative meeting. "But let's not forget the storms," said Delegal, who represents State Farm. "The villain here is the hurricane, not the insurance industry."

State Farm insures one of five homeowners in Florida but only in low-risk areas. The company has declined to provide homeowners coverage to Anna Maria Island residents.

Despite the tensions that developed in the legislative negotiations, Sen. Bennett said that he expected a compromise package to be approved by the Legislature on Monday. He declined to speculate on what the savings might be for policyholders.

"It's a crap shoot for now, as far as the numbers are concerned," he said.

The compromise package was still being mulled over by the House and Senate at press deadline for The Islander, and any reforms will still need to be reviewed and signed by Crist before they are enacted.

Anna Maria commission meets Wednesday at AM city hall

The Anna Maria City Commission meeting scheduled for 7 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 25, will take place at the Anna Maria City Hall at 10005 Gulf Drive as previously announced, not the Holmes Beach City Hall.

Mayor Fran Barford said that the public hearing scheduled that evening was advertised for the 10005 address and any change in location could not have been advertised in time to meet the legal requirements for a public notice.

Anna Maria's city office functions been temporarily relocated to the Island Baptist Church annex at 8605 Gulf Drive while city hall undergoes repairs due to mold damage.

Barford said all city departments have relocated to the temporary office except the public works department, which will continue to operate from its quarters on Pine Avenue.

The city's main telephone number — 708-6130 — is now operational at the city's offices at the church.

While city hall is undergoing repairs, all other city commission and planning and zoning board meetings will be held at the Holmes Beach City Hall commission chambers at 5801 Marina Drive.

Barford said she was "optimistic" that the Island Baptist Church would only have to be utilized as a temporary city office for about six to eight weeks.

Meetings

Anna Maria City

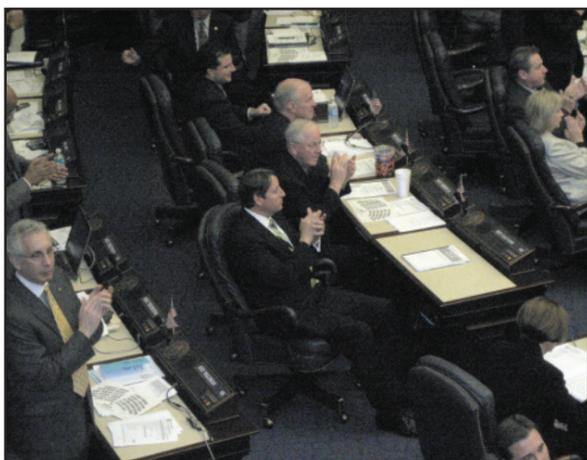
Jan. 24, 7 p.m., city commission meeting.
Anna Maria City Hall, 10005 Gulf Drive,
708-6130 — www.cityofannamaria.com

Bradenton Beach

Jan. 24, 5 p.m., town hall meeting on parking.
Jan. 26, 3 p.m., WAVES committee meeting on visioning plan.
Feb. 1, 7 p.m., city commission meeting.
Bradenton Beach City Hall, 107 Gulf Drive N.,
778-1005 — www.cityofbradentonbeach.org

Holmes Beach

Jan. 26, 1:30 p.m., police retirement board meeting.
Holmes Beach City Hall, 5801 Marina Drive,
708-5800 — www.holmesbeachfl.org



State Rep. Bill Galvano (center) on the floor of the House. Galvano said he's optimistic about legislative efforts to provide affordable and available wind insurance coverage for Anna Maria Island and other high-risk areas of the state. Islander Photo: Molly McCartney

St. Joe, SevenShores condos: Do the math

By Rick Catlin
Islander Reporter

The St. Joe company has begun marketing its SevenShores condominium project on north Perico Island and recently paid for advertising in the December 2006 issue of the in-flight magazine "Sky."

The ad states that SevenShores "will be a private island community with captivating views and a perfect environment for relaxation and reflection. Designed as a gated community set on 176 acres, SevenShores will include luxury condominium residences built along lakes, walking trails and conservation areas. With an average of less than two units per acre, this exclusive community will have one of the lowest residential densities in Bradenton."

But SevenShores has announced it plans a total of 686 units. With 176 acres available, that amounts to a density of 3.89 units per acre.

Whether its two units or nearly four units per acre, it doesn't appear to make much difference at this point. According to a SevenShores brochure, only 10 units have been sold since the SevenShores sales office opened in January 2006.

Bradenton Beach resident Bill Garringer inquired about a "high-end" condominium and said he was told that construction of any units was several years down the road and that any deposit he put up would earn no interest during this period. The total deposit required was 20 percent of the purchase price plus an additional \$10,000.



Long time coming?

While infrastructure construction at the St. Joe Company's SevenShores condominium project on north Perico Island has been under way for some time, construction of the actual units may be several years away at the earliest. *Islander Photo: Rick Catlin*

In addition, Garringer said condominium association fees would be the same, regardless of the size of the unit.

"I really wasn't interested in the deal," he said.

According to an availability list from SevenShores, prices for its "Building II" range from the mid-\$500,000 level to \$899,000. Of the 25 units listed for Building II by SevenShores, only 10 are shown as "sold."

According to the City of Bradenton building department, St. Joe has not yet applied for any building permit for any condominium at SevenShores.

St. Joe said recently that, while it plans to develop all the infrastructure at its various projects around Florida, including SevenShores, it is getting out of the actual business of construction of the homes and condominiums at its projects and will utilize local contractors instead.



Annie Silver Community Center received \$3,000 from Bradenton Beach. *Islander Photo: Edna Tiemann*

Bradenton Beach doles out \$10,000 in gifts

Annie Silver Community Center was the big winner in the contribution category by the Bradenton Beach City Commission.

The city has doled out about \$10,000 for the past few years to various not-for-profit organizations which have requested its aid. Annie Silver will receive \$3,000, which it requested for installation of an air-conditioning system as well as new doors to the center, located at 23rd Street and Avenue C.

Other recipients of the city's largess included the Anna Maria Island Community Center at \$2,500; the city's annual holiday street party, \$2,000; the Anna Maria Island Historical Society, \$1,000; Anna Maria Island Art League, \$500; Friends of the Regina, \$500; Solutions To Avoid Red Tide, \$250; and Keep Manatee Beautiful, \$250.

Parking woes described, solutions next for Bradenton Beach

By Paul Roat

Parking problems have been voiced along Bradenton Beach streets and parks. Solutions will be aired later this week.

About 40 residents, business owners and workers attended the first of a series of town hall meetings to discuss and offer solutions to the parking dilemma within the city. Although most in attendance said parking woes were most prevalent in the area from Cortez Road south to the start of Cortez Beach, residents at the north and south reaches of the city said they too saw beachgoers parking in their lots and in front of their

property.

Parking facilitator Alan Garrett said the city's parking issues are not unique but in fact common on barrier islands. He assisted Siesta Village businesses in the creation of a parking lot there "at considerable expense," he said.

Parking issues in Bradenton Beach ranged from just a general lack of places for vehicles to public unawareness of where people can park and from poaching of spaces in condos to lack of enforcement and lack of adequate, safe, lighted areas where people can leave their cars at night.

The city purchased a lot on First Street several

years ago and converted it into a parking lot. Several citizens said that employees or area businesses quickly fill the lot, denying access to visitors who could then patronize businesses on Bridge Street.

BeachHouse Restaurant owner Ed Chiles echoed that concern, but focused on beachgoers. He said his lot is often half-filled with cars even before the restaurant opens, causing a problem for patrons during busy lunch and dinner hours.

Several people expressed a desire to see better utilization of the Manatee Trolley as a means to ease the parking dilemma, adding that increased marketing of the buses as a solution to finding a place to park and better night lighting for greater safety is desired.

And, of course, there was a wish for the city to purchase and allocate more property for parking.

Garrett asked people to attend the next meeting of the open forum with a "blue-sky" wish for a parking solution. He offered as an example the concept of making Bridge Street one way, which would allow angle parking along much of the road on both sides and greatly increase the parking. Perhaps First Street could also be used as a one-way street, he added.

Bradenton Beach Police Chief Sam Speciale has estimated that there are about 95 legal, public parking spaces in the Bridge Street area.

The next town hall meeting on parking will be at 5 p.m. Jan. 24 at city hall, 107 Gulf Drive N.

Bradenton Beach police Coquina patrol continues

Law enforcement presence at Coquina Beach will again be provided by Bradenton Beach Police, as city commissioners approved another annual interlocal agreement with Manatee County for patrol of the park.

Coquina Beach is maintained by Manatee County, which also oversees its concession stands, rest rooms and marine rescue services. However, the law enforcement duties at the park have traditionally been provided by Bradenton Beach, although paid for by the county.

The 2006-07 agreement calls for city officers to patrol the beach, be provided with two all-terrain vehicles — one of which is maintained by the city — and have the use of a lifeguard stand as needed.

The city will receive \$7,688 per month for the patrolling task.

One officer is to patrol the beach from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. weekdays between Memorial Day and Labor Day, with two stationed there on weekends. One officer is to patrol the beach for the rest of the year, with more patrols to be added at the discretion of the police chief.

Manatee County to collect e-scrap Saturday

By Lisa Neff
Islander Reporter

The collectibles that will be gathered up on Coquina Beach Jan. 27 won't fetch a hefty price on the Sotheby's market or even on eBay.

But their rescue from a landfill may prove priceless, say organizers of the Manatee County Household Hazardous Waste/E-Scrap Collection scheduled from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday in the parking lot at Coquina Beach.

"It is a costly program," said Cari Walz, a household hazardous waste technician with the county. "But we are protecting the environment. And we want to keep it free for residents."

Hazardous waste and e-scrap materials are collected separately from regular residential refuse to make sure the material is either recycled or gets a proper burial.

With obsolescence rates in consumer products, the International Association of Electronics Recyclers projects that about 400 million electronic units will be scrapped this year and 3 billion units by 2010. E-waste is the fastest growing waste stream in the country.

"Just at Christmas we replaced enough electronic junk to fill a whole garbage can," seasonal Bradenton Beach resident Betty McKay said as she took out her trash last week. "With one new cell phone package, we replaced four phones. A new DVD player and a new Dell computer."

Just one computer can contain hundreds of chemicals, including lead, mercury, cadmium, brominated flame retardants and polyvinyl chloride or PVC, according to the Silicon Valley Toxics Coalition. Many of these chemicals are known to cause cancer, respiratory illness and reproductive problems.

"Basically everything with a circuit board has hazardous materials in it, so people should handle them responsibly," said Barbara Kyle, campaign coordinator for the Computer Take Back Campaign headquartered in San Jose, Calif.

While environmental groups are increasingly putting an emphasis on encouraging manufacturers to build green-friendly electronics, they also are advocating for better



What's in your house? The Manatee County Utilities Operation Department will hold a hazardous waste and e-scrap collection Jan. 27 at the Coquina Beach parking lot. Information: 708-8561. Islander Photo: Lisa Neff

disposal of the hazardous materials already in homes.

A survey of Island curbs last week found a variety of e-scrap put out with the regular trash, including air conditioners, VCR players, TV sets and computer monitors.

"Well, I put it out there hoping a junk collector gets it before the garbage collector," Fred Walton said in reference to the VCR player he left with his garbage in Anna Maria. "I don't know what else to do with it. It broke after a year."

Of the 2.6 million tons of e-waste generated in the United States in 2005, about 12 percent was recycled, according to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

Improper disposal of hazardous materials can impact groundwater — the source of 90 percent of Florida's drinking water. Improper disposal can also contaminate air and soil with toxins.

"These products contain materials like mercury, which can be very toxic at very small amounts," Kyle said. "The concern about putting them into landfills — aside from filling up our landfills quickly — is that these toxic chemicals can leach into groundwater or streams. Or some municipalities have incinerators and the plastics in electronics can give off deadly dioxin

when it's burned."

The Manatee County Utilities Operation Department is conducting the collection in partnership with the municipalities: Anna Maria, Holmes Beach, Bradenton Beach and Longboat Key.

Residents can drop off their waste for free. Small businesses must pay a contractor on site for disposal.

The collectible list is a lengthy one — solvents, latex and oil paints, pesticides, household chemicals, ammunition, flares, waste oil, propane tanks, fluorescent lamps, thermostats and thermometers, pool chemicals, old gasoline, batteries, televisions, computer components, copiers, video and audio equipment and small electrical appliances.

Not on the list are radioactive materials such as smoke detectors and bio-hazardous materials such as injection needles.

The hazardous waste collected on the Island Jan. 27 will be sent to different vendors, depending on the material.

Walz said pieces of fluorescent bulbs can be recycled. Lead can be recovered from certain batteries. Propane can be recaptured from tanks, the valves reused and the tanks recycled as scrap metal. Waste oil can be refined.

A Tampa-based contractor that will haul away the e-scrap material may sell some working items and recycle others.

"About 95 percent of it is recycled," Walz said. "If something is new enough, they have a store, but mostly they de-manufacture it and send it out for disposal, for recycling."

Organizers chose a January date for the Island collection so seasonal residents can participate.

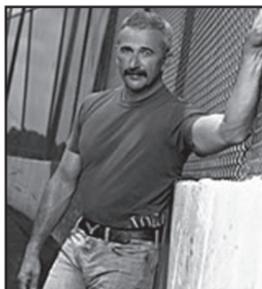
Walz said the first and last hours of a collection are usually busiest.

"In the past, we've always had a line at the opening," she said.

She also said scavengers are not allowed to go through waste turned over to the county or contractors at the collection.

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Our Opinion

That rascal insurance

Insurance reform. Sounds wonderful. But what does it all mean?

Will rates really be lower? Will the insurance companies cooperate with the state? Can we expect to pay less? Will there be rebates? Will rate reductions be retroactive? Will the wind pool be expanded?

And if the state-designated wind pool is expanded, as we have been told it will be, or eliminated, as we hope, how will that work?

And if the special session, which was to end Monday, didn't solve all the problems, will legislators again address them in the regular session to be held in March?

These are only some of the questions that have occurred to us as we watched the legislative process play out in Tallahassee and listened to our new governor call for rate reform, starting with a reduction in insurance premiums of at least 25 percent.

We hope reform comes soon. We need help before the next hurricane season and before we suffer more economic damage from the insurance crisis we have been living with for too long.

And one more thought: We have been stuck for years with a traditional insurance system that allows insurers to collect tons of our money for premiums. Then when there's a big storm, the insurers typically resist paying claims for damages. Sometimes they just close their doors and go out of business. Or they raise rates to pay for the pay outs. We can't figure out what happened to all that premium money that was supposed to be set aside for claims or how profits continue to mount in their coffers.

In fact, we do know that insurance companies have recently been reporting record profits. Could that be the result of the record premiums we've been paying? Hmm.

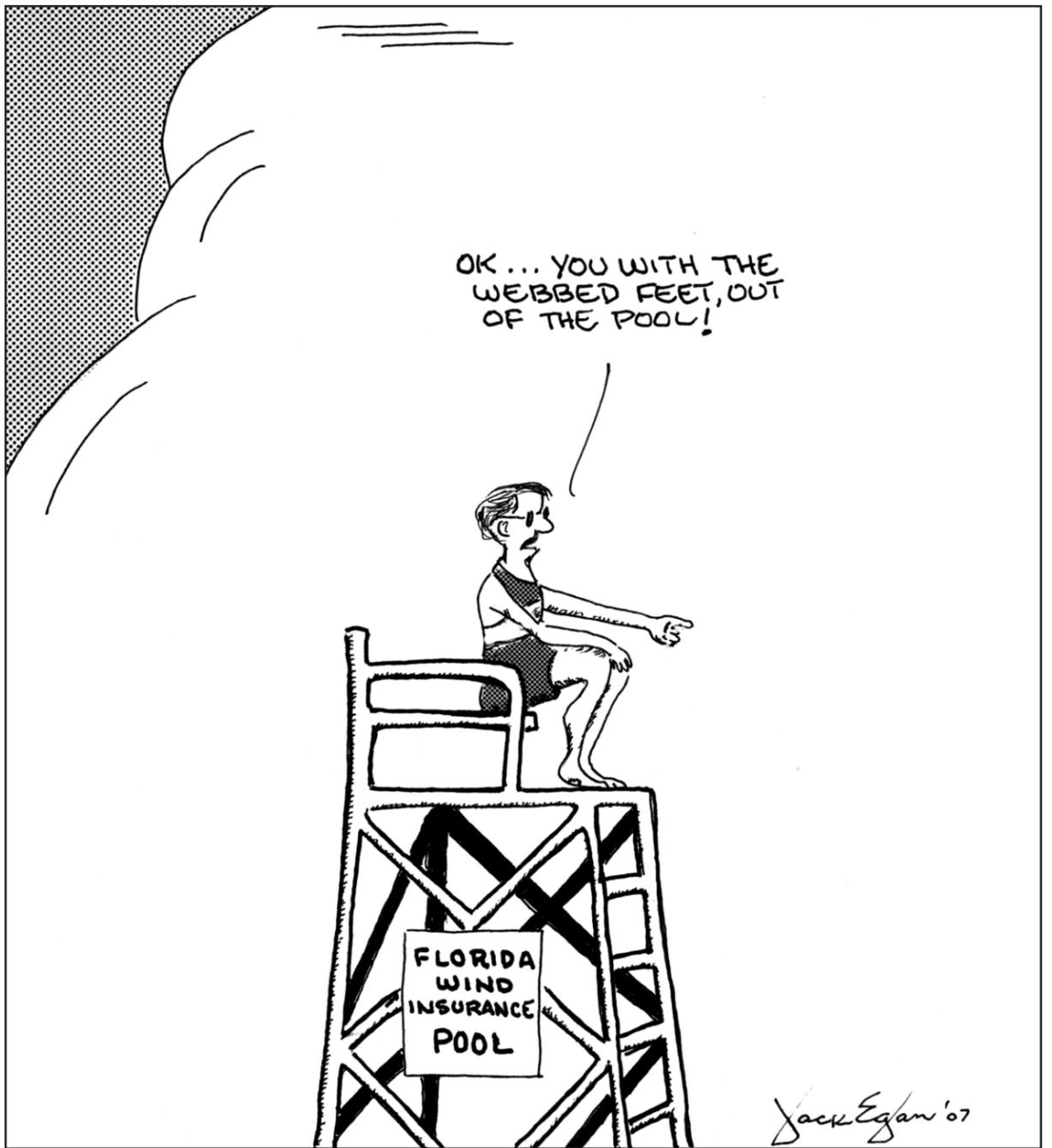
Our state leaders appear to have finally figured out that the problem is so big that it is threatening Florida's economic engine. People are starting to leave the state because they can't afford to stay in their homes. Businesses are closing because insurance is "through the roof."

Just in the 40-some-year-old shopping center our office shares with merchants in Holmes Beach, rents increased almost 30 percent when wind insurance costs went from \$25,000 to more than \$160,000 per year.

Good for Gov. Charlie Crist for demanding tough legislation to do something about our state's problems. He seems to understand that drastic action is needed. And now.

As one of those cute kids in the old "Little Rascals" show used to say, "and how." We need help, and how. Let's hope help comes in time.

In fact, let's hope help comes and it's retroactive.



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Insurance gone wild... and how!

By Egan

Your Opinion

Thank you, Islanders

Warm hugs and a special thank you goes out to Chuck and Joey Lester for creating the Lester challenge and for their generous offer to match up to \$50,000 in contributions, and to Bonner Joy and *The Islander* for spreading the word and helping raise the much-needed funds for this year's exciting challenge.

Wow! How do I begin to express my gratitude to those extremely generous individuals whose investments in this community have made such a powerful and positive difference in the lives of those we serve, especially our youth and the elderly?

Because of you and your generosity, our community will have a Center that will serve the human needs of this Island for the next 100 years.

Perhaps the best thank you will be the result of these fundraising efforts: The new Center will be 24,500 square feet, and inside you will find several learning centers, a computer center, technology center, space for art and art classes, dance, music and drama theater, in addition to fitness and all sports, as well as culinary arts classes and a stage for performances.

The community's teen programs will finally have a home and will expand opportunities for teens' personal growth and career development.

The Center will offer classes and programs to keep minds and bodies young and healthy, lifting spirits and building a strong support group for aging seniors.

This new space will allow us to meet the highest national standards of after-school programs. With the new building, the Center will be more efficient in fulfilling the educational, recreational and cultural services — a tool for attracting residents and businesses by guaranteeing quality of life and economic health.

Your support means a great deal to the Center and our community. It strengthens our programming enterprises and helps continue our contributions to the quality of life in every life we touch and in our community

and beyond.

Thank you!

Pierrette Kelly, executive director, AMICC

They win again

Recently in the news has been Briny Breezes, the east coast Florida trailer court town where each of the 488 residents was offered more than \$1 million to leave.

According to a friend of mine who lives two blocks from it, Briny Breezes is a close community — the oldest resident was a baby when her parents co-founded the town 70 years ago, and they turned down an offer to sell a few years ago.

But the average age is 73, and two bad hurricane seasons made residents realize that if they're ever hit they could never rebuild. Now the majority has just voted to accept an offer.

A reporter asked a resident if he'd "ever imagined that people would offer him over \$1 million for his trailer" and the man said, "No, and most of us wish it had never happened." His point was they felt they already had paradise — simple living on the ocean amid longtime friends — now their community will be broken up.

This also means years of construction of a high-rise community on what was a sleepy little road, and bumper-to-bumper crossings on the local bridge. Ironically, the town of 1,200 where my friend lives doesn't allow anything higher than a two-story home, and now their town will be drastically altered, too.

Yet she feels oddly sad for the trailer owners, especially the approximately 17 percent who opposed the sale. Walking with her grandbabies through Briny Breezes, where residents are out on their patios, eager to show the babies their seashell-covered mailboxes, potted plant "gardens" and pink flamingoes, will be a thing of the past.

The loss of Briny Breezes signals the end of an era. And the sad moral of the story? Developers always win in Florida.

Lynn Sheppard, Bradenton

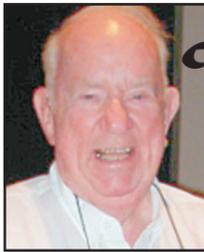
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Anyway you slice it... it's Maloney!
By former Holmes Beach City Commissioner Don Maloney

It was my mother's fault

With earthquakes and red tide in the Gulf of Mexico, three or four storms or more constantly winding around in the Atlantic in hurricane season, baby turtles heading for errant light, and our Island cities with new crews at the helms, I always have enough to be concerned about — especially since I'm in the middle of Step Six in my new diet.

That's the diet section where I can keep eating the Big Macs, drink Diet Cokes, and still eat french fries, but salting the latter is no longer allowed. I'm not looking forward to Step Seven, because that cuts out the Diet Coke, too.

Anyway, in the middle of all that concern, I picked up a newspaper story with nothing but bad news for all whose weight is above "normal." And I find that far more

than merely somewhat confusing because if so many folks are overweight, maybe that's what's normal, no?

That's bad news because this is when—New Year's resolution time — weight loss is a big first over quitting smoking.

Anyway, that story did list some new warnings I'd never seen before — such as the fact that a mere ounce of sunflower seeds has 175 calories. It also had some salad bar warnings, and at the top of that list is egg salad at 345 calories for just four ounces. At the bottom was a no-dressing mixed-greens salad that delivers only 35 calories per cup.

But what really got me was a story on the next page headed: "Take childhood obesity seriously." It said that the basic responsibility for stopping that trend for kids getting plumper begins — like charity — at home.

That advice gave me a change of thought because during all these adult years of fighting my expansion I've been blaming myself. Now I've been made to realize that the fault really belongs to my own dear mother. It was she who insisted that my brother and sister and myself "clean our plates" at every meal, and full plates they were.

Because I was much younger than those other two, they took the opportunity to cheat at every meal by pushing stuff from their plates onto mine every time my mom turned around. That triple dish-cleaning still shows on me.

That same lady packed a school lunch far more interesting and abs-expanding than anything school lunch rooms serve now.

She also promised me one of those chocolate sandwich cookies every time I was a good boy. And believe me, I was an angel. There was always a bedtime snack, too, if I did my homework. Then, also near home, was the Good Humor man. And, because there was no school bus back then, we had a chance to stop at Dairy Queen on the way home.

Today's kids don't have those chances, so they just go home and sit at the computer playing games and snacking, although I've never seen any of the grandchildren snacking on egg salad, thank heaven.

Anyway, my whole point in bringing up reacting to that article that says we have to thin down our kids is that I hope today's moms don't take it too seriously. That's because I can't help but notice that if the current school kids, each with that giant backpack, get too thin, we'll wind up with a collection of humpbacks.



In the Jan. 22, 1997, issue of **The Islander**, headlines announced:

- The Anna Maria Fire Commission was under investigation by the Manatee County Sheriff's Office for a possible violation of Florida's Government-In-The Sunshine Law after district resident Karen Leek complained that the commission held a meeting on a different date than advertised. Fire Chief Andy Price said a mistake was made in the date when the announcement was published in a local newspaper.

- Holmes Beach City Commissioner Carol Whitmore said the commission would discuss several options to stem the controversy between the Privateers and Mayor Bob VanWagoner over the location of the organization's boat-float. VanWagoner had written a letter to the Privateers stating that the current location of the float violated a city code.

- A tree-trimming company hired by a Bean Point property owner was issued four parking tickets after company trucks drove over plants and sand dunes on city rights of way.

'Go Native' program planned

Four area landscapers and gardeners will share their green secrets during a seminar Feb. 20 in Holmes Beach.

"Go Native with Plants and Trees," presented by the Holmes Beach Parks and Beautification Committee, will take place at city hall, 5801 Marina Drive.

The seminar begins at 6:30 p.m. and features:

- Tom Heitzman, president of Manatee Audubon and owner of Sweet Bay Nursery.
- Mike Miller, local landscaper.
- Maureen Hirthler, master gardener.
- Peggy Dessaint, extension agent with the Manatee County Extension Service.

Parks committee member Kathleen King will moderate.

For more information, call 778-4060.



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START presses in, carries on with red tide fight

By Lisa Neff
Islander Reporter

The dozens who gathered last week to support Solutions To Avoid Red Tide celebrated the oceans' bounty as they shared concerns of the scourge of the seas.

The bounty celebrated was the seafood the chefs from area restaurants served the attendees at START's Oceanfest, held at Mote Marine Laboratory's Immersion Theater and courtyard Jan. 18.

The scourge Oceanfest attendees skewered is *Karenia brevis*, the organism responsible for the red tide that periodically plagues Florida's Gulf Coast.

"I'm very concerned about the whole red tide issue," said START member Carol Michels, of Sarasota. "It's very disturbing."

Oceanfest provided an opportunity for START leaders and scientists to update members on the organization's work on red tide research and response and to raise money for a documentary film about that work.

Welcoming attendees in Mote's Immersion Theater, Sandy Gilbert, president of START's Manasota chapter, said, "This is START's largest audience."

Restaurateur Ed Chiles, START's chairman, announced a plaque for state Sen. Lisa Carlton, whose "door has always been open to us" and who lobbied for funding for red tide work. Because she was in Tallahassee for a special session of the Legislature, Carlton did not attend the event.

Chiles also presented retired Major Gen. James Patterson with a plaque and honored him for starting START.

Chiles called Patterson, a START founder, the "nexus of this organization."

The chairman recalled that more than a decade ago the area suffered a red tide strike that lasted 11 months and 22 days. "It almost put me out of business," Chiles said, referring to his three waterfront restaurants.

Patterson brought a group together to determine what, if anything, was being done about red tide.

"After that meeting, START started," Chiles said, adding that in the early days "we could have had a



General James Patterson, left, and Ed Chiles share a moment after Chiles presented Patterson with a plaque thanking Patterson for his role in growing START — Solutions To Avoid Red Tide. Without Patterson there would be no START and possibly no campaign against red tide, Chiles said during START's Oceanfest event at Mote Marine Laboratory Jan. 18. Chiles is START's chairman. Pictured at far left is Dr. Barbara Kirkpatrick, a senior scientist with Mote Marine Laboratory. *Islander Photos: Lisa Neff*

START meeting in a phone booth."

Patterson, accepting his plaque, said, "It was all worthwhile."

Chiles noted that in 1996, when START began, the state's investment in red tide research amounted to \$250,000.

Today, Chiles said, there's a \$4 million grant to examine nutrients and red tide. An additional \$1 million in funding is available for research into controlling and mitigating red tide.

Chiles went on to outline START's work along with other organizations, especially Mote. Projects include clay flocculation and ozone experiments

to see if red tide can be countered; research into the question of whether nutrient runoff feeds red tide; and a campaign to inform people about beach conditions.

Chiles said perhaps the most useful program for the public is the monitoring of red tide, which "provides real time information" about where red tide is and is not.

Mote senior scientist Barbara Kirkpatrick also discussed monitoring efforts.

Last week, Kirkpatrick said, lifeguards at Coquina and Manatee public beaches were given Blackberry

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mobile devices to post information directly on the Internet about beach conditions and to connect to a telephone hotline. Lifeguards in Sarasota have already been using the devices for some time.

Susan Sember presented one of the evening's highlights, an eight-minute preview of "Guardians of the Gulf," a high-definition documentary film she's producing for START.

Before the lights in the theater dimmed, Sember



Chef Darrell Mizell of the Sun House Restaurant in Bradenton Beach serves salmon at Oceanfest Jan. 18. The event, which raised money for START, featured dishes from a number of area restaurants and food services. Pictured at left is Angela Rodocker, general manager of the restaurant.

So what's down there?

By Paul Roat

Moving about as slowly as the canals are silting, Bradenton Beach officials appear to be oozing their way toward dredging the city's two canals.

The bayside canals, both in the 2100 block off Avenue A, have been slowly and consistently filling with silt since the last dredging in the late 1960s. Residents have complained of lack of navigation and odor from the sediment-filled canals for years.

And it's taken years to work through the process to dredge the pair of basins. The canals boast 11 homes, as well as a strip of mangroves along the southernmost canal that borders Runaway Bay condominiums, but is not owned by the condos.

According to Walter Smith of Lynn Townsend and Associates Engineering, which is doing the specifications on the project, dredging will scour out a channel in the middle of the canals about 3 feet in width, which should protect the seawalls and any marine life growing on the sides of the canals. The length of the channel will depend on the scope of work the as-yet-undetermined contractor quotes for the project. Funding for the dredging, \$88,000, has been earmarked through a grant from the West Coast Inland Navigation District.

However, the exact composition of the material that fills the canals is in question, which was in fact the question city commissioners pondered last week in the face of an additional \$6,500 expense for borings samples of the muck.

After much discussion, it was determined that the geo-technical services of a contractor should be attained to attack the muck and find out if it is harmful, harmless or simply smelly. The results are expected in about three months and, if city approval is granted, dredging could commence by September.

Another aspect commissioners need to slide through on the project is what to do with and where to put the dredge material. Smith estimated 2,200 cubic yards of spoil needs to be drained and dried somewhere. Original proposals called for the material to be stockpiled at Herb Dolan North Park, but the quantity is such that the park site is too small for the muck.

Current plans include barging the spoil to northern Coquina Beach on the bayside, where it is hoped it could be used as fill for a long-standing sought-after park-and-ride lot for motorists who want to utilize the trolley, or for workers in the city.

said, "It's so much more than a film."

The preview contained dialogue from activists, scientists and local business people, along with familiar images of the Gulf coast. It carried the message that red tide is harmful not just to the health and security of the environment, the residents and businesses on the Gulf coast, but to the entire country.

"What a tool this is going to be," said Chiles, adding that START has invested about \$47,000 in the project and needs about \$60,000 more.

After the presentation, Mote hosts opened the doors at the rear of the theater for Oceanfest attendees to enter the courtyard, where linen-draped tables were filled

with restaurant specialities.

Diners sampled grouper tacos, seafood gumbo, seafood lasagna, seafood bisque, crab salad, baked salmon, crab cakes, seared snapper and key lime pie.

Participating restaurants and food services included the Sun House Restaurant, Pattigeorges, Harry's Continental Kitchens, Euphemia Haye, The Broken Egg, Moore's Stone Crab, Mattison's Riverside, Longboat Key Club and Resort, The Colony Beach and Tennis Resort, Cafe on the Beach, Gold Coast Eagle, National Distribution, Premier Beverage Company, Sarasota Coca-Cola and Sysco Systems as well as the Chiles Group Restaurants of the Sandbar, the BeachHouse and Mar Vista.



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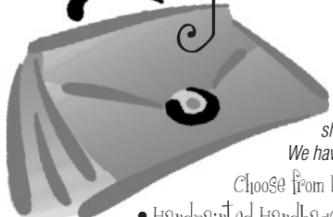
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Rotary Extravaganza near sell-out

By Jim Hanson
 Islander Reporter

Living up to its tradition of early sell-out, the Extravaganza and Casino Night of the Rotary Club of Anna Maria Island is just about out of tickets.

Only a dozen or so of 250 tickets remained early in the week, so about the only hope for latecomers is the few tickets turned back by people who unexpectedly can't attend.

"Call me (448-5500) to see if there are any left," said Barry Gould, chairman of the event. "Or visit the Island Florist (5312 Marina Drive, Holmes Beach). But don't be surprised if you have to miss out on the big party by being late." The tickets are \$60 each.

Extravaganza and Casino Night will be Saturday, Jan. 27, at St. Bernard Catholic Church, 248 S. Harbor Drive, Holmes Beach, starting at 6 p.m.

In addition to dancing to the RPM Band, food by Ezra and Sandbar restaurants, open bar and casino tables, there is a raft of special prizes and auction items

provided through corporate sponsors. First and foremost among them is AMSouth Bank, with a \$5,000 donation.

A vacation in Hawaii will be raffled, a one-week stay in a large hillside villa on the north shore of Kauai, Hawaii. Tickets for this raffle are \$100, and only 50 will be sold; they are available from any Rotarian or at Island Florist. The villa is being donated by Island Rotarians Win and Patti Bishop.

Another vacation will come with the door prize, three days at the Beach House Resort in Bradenton Beach, donated by Deborah Brooks and Ted Schlegel of Anna Maria.

It is vacation night, with many vacation packages and a Caribbean cruise on Holland American Lines, all to be sold at live auctions during the evening.

This is one of Island Rotary's biggest charity events, with proceeds going to local charities and to Rotary International for its humanitarian works. Last year the Extravaganza cleared \$40,000 for charity.

Dog kennel violates Holmes Beach code

By Lisa Neff
 Islander Reporter

The Holmes Beach Code Enforcement Board ruled Jan. 18 that a property owner's dog kennel creates a nuisance and was built without a permit.

The board, after a hearing lasting more than two hours, gave Mohamad Waliagha until Feb. 14 to correct the violations at the home in the 500 block of 75th Street.

At Waliagha's home, there is a concrete slab and a surrounding 6-foot-high chain-link fence creating a pen. A plastic sheet covers part of the area that Waliagha and his family use for two family dogs.

During the hearing last week at city hall, Holmes Beach code enforcement officer Nancy Hall identified several basic problems at the property for the board to review.

First, she said, the covered pen met the city's definition of a building but Waliagha lacked a building permit.

Second, she said, a blue tarp on the roof created a nuisance that impacted a neighbor's property.

Third, she said, the odor of dog urine and feces also created a nuisance.

"There was a strong odor," said Hall, who, lacking permission from Waliagha, observed the property from a neighbor's yard.

Hall first looked into a complaint about the kennel in May 2005 and issued Waliagha a notice of violation on July 26, 2005. But additional action was delayed until last fall, when another notice was sent to Waliagha on Nov. 2.

"This case was placed in abeyance" to deal with other matters involving Waliagha, Hall said.

Hall testified before the board, followed by neighbor Chuck Potter, who said he was reluctant to complain but that "the fecal odor, when the humidity is high, it'll make you sick to your stomach."

Also, Potter said, "if you are sitting on the back porch you are staring at a dog kennel."

Potter said he talked with Waliagha about "30 or 40 times" over the past five years and "did everything I could" to avoid involving the city.

Waliagha, during his testimony, said there were about eight conversations with Potter and that he too sought to be a good neighbor.

Waliagha's attorney, Jack Hawkins, questioned both Hall and Potter about their opinion of Waliagha, suggesting both personally dislike the man and that factored into the complaint against him.

"You don't like Mr. Waliagha, do you?" Hawkins asked Potter.

"Sure I do," Potter replied.

Hawkins continued, saying Potter disliked his neighbor because Waliagha turned down a bid on his seawall.

Next Hawkins asked Hall, "Ms. Hall, you don't like Mr. Waliagha do you? You would like to cite Mr. Waliagha for everything you can think of. Isn't that true?"

Hall replied that she had no opinion of the property owner. She said she was concerned with enforcing the city's code.

The city attorney objected to the line of questioning.

Then board chairman Charles Stealey asked Hawkins to refrain from such questions, calling the tactic inappropriate and saying the board was assembled to look at the facts.

Hawkins then asked Hall why, if the odor was so bad in May 2005, action was delayed until November 2006.

Hall repeated that the case was placed in abeyance pending another case involving Waliagha.

Waliagha testified that the fence and slab were created 10 years ago, when his home was built. He said the pen existed before the city issued a certificate of occupancy. "It's the same old fence," Waliagha said. "It was there from day one."

He said he added the plastic sheet to shelter the dogs from sun and rain.

Waliagha, during the hearing, agreed to remove the roof and tarp on the pen and said he would be more vigilant about keeping the area odor-free.

"I'm trying," Waliagha said. "I'll do my best."

After a lengthy review, the board voted unanimously to find Waliagha in violation, ruling that he lacked a permit for the kennel and that the tarp and odor were nuisances.

Waliagha reaffirmed after the hearing that he would remedy the situation, including meeting a Feb. 14 deadline to seek a permit to keep the fence.

If the deadline passes without compliance, Waliagha could face a fine of \$250 per day.

Island pipe organ recital Sunday at Gloria Dei Church

Two toccatas and two fugues by Johan Sebastian Bach will be the featured music of an organ recital Sunday, Jan. 28, at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, 6608 Marina Drive, Holmes Beach.

Gloria Dei has the only pipe organ on the Island, and its master, Carl Parks, will play the free recital starting at 3 p.m. He will play the toccata and fugue that open Disney's movie "Fantasia," plus two other, lesser-known pieces. Works by other composers will round out the program.

Parks traced the history of the church's pipe organ, saying it is "amazingly capable of playing literature that was written for much larger instruments in bigger spaces."

When the church was built, he noted, Gloria Dei bought a small pipe organ that was less expensive than an electronic instrument, and it was built to last the life of the building. "So instead of having to replace it every few years, the church has been able to invest in updates and additions."

Now, with nearly 700 pipes, "many large works actually come across very well on it, without distortion and with a good variety of tonal colors." The difference between a pipe organ and an electronic one, he said, is the difference between attending a live symphony performance and listening to a recording.

Additional information may be obtained by phoning 778-1813.

AME Dolphin Dash draws crowd



Two of the top runners from Stewart Elementary School's running club were the first kids to cross the finish line at AME. Nine-year-old Chris Lehman and 10-year-old Nick Rodhous were split-seconds apart, finishing the Dolphin Dash in 23 minutes, 15 seconds. Islander Photo: Diana Bogan



Annie Walter, an AME kindergartner, waited at the finish line with bottles of water for Dolphin Dash runners. Islander Photo: Diana Bogan



Barely big enough to fit into an Anna Maria Elementary School Dolphin Dash T-shirt, Thomas Heckler, 2, was the youngest participant to run across the finish line of the 1-mile fun run. Islander Photo: Diana Bogan



Jon Hart pins a race entry number on 10-year-old son Joel's chest before the Dolphin Dash. Brother Adam, 8, already wearing his tag, looks on. Both boys attend AME. Islander Photo: Lisa Neff

... adults, kids have blast at the dash

By Diana Bogan
Islander Reporter

The first Anna Maria Elementary School Dolphin Dash Saturday, Jan. 20, was such a success, that event coordinator Becky Walter said she's already planning to do it again next year.

"The turn out was fabulous," said Walter. "I saw some great running moments and people who came together to cheer everyone on. We will definitely do this again next year."

The Dolphin Dash drew 125 runners from the surrounding area for a 5-kilometer run and an additional 50 people registered for a 1-mile fun run. Registration cost \$20 for adults and \$10 for children with the proceeds to the AME Parent-Teacher Organization.

"The focus of the event wasn't so much on bringing in funds to purchase a specific item, but rather as a means to promote fitness," said Walter.

Runners ranged in age from a 2-year-old toddler to seniors in their mid-70s. Several AME families participated in the race. Nearly 50 AME students participated in weekly training practices and 30 students earned AME Dolphin Dash shoelaces by completing 12 practice miles before race day.

The 5-k race took runners from the school across Gulf Drive to the Holmes Beach Post Office utilizing

side streets. The route again crossed Gulf Drive to continue on Holmes Boulevard to 75th Street and doubled back to the school along the same path.

The overall winner of the 5-k race was Mickey Hooke, a running coach and trainer. He finished in 16 minutes, 54 seconds. Not far behind was the first female to cross the finish line, Melanie Peters, who came in at 18:03.

The first kids to cross the line were third- and fourth-graders Chris Lehman and Nick Rodhous from Stewart Elementary School. They are both members of Stewart's running club and finished within a split-second of each other at 23:15.

Several members of the Bradenton Runners Club not only participated in the race but also helped coordinate the event. Helping with the race route was Tom Orehowsky.

Winner of the 1-mile fun run was AME fourth-grader Morgan Hackworth, who finished in less than 7 minutes.

After the race, awards were distributed for first-through third-place finishers in several age categories. Door prizes were provided by Dr. Mona Welch, the Anna Maria City Pier Restaurant, runnergirl.com and RoadID. Champs sports stores donated goodie bags and beverages were provided by Crystal water and Tropicana.

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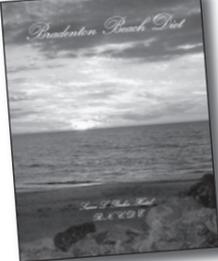
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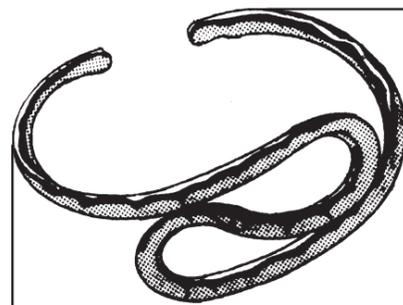
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Wives leave husbands to shiver in 'Smell'

By Lisa Neff
Islander Theater Critic

"Smell of the Kill" presented a curious predicament for the heavily coupled crowd to consider during the Island Players performance Jan. 19.

What do three wives do when their aggravating husbands accidentally get locked in a freezer?

Yes, that's the central question in playwright Michele Lowe's "Smell of the Kill." The play was not a hot comedy on the Great White Way, but it played to a happily chuckling full house on Anna Maria Island.

The Island Players audience met three desperate wives — Nicky played by Carolyn Zaput, Molly played by Diana Shoemaker and Debra played by Laurie Zimmerman.

The audience also encountered, speaking only behind the scene, the three much lesser halves — Jay played by Mark Woodland, Danny played by Rick Kopp and Marty played by Herb Stump.

The husbands, who go sight unseen until the play's end, were holding one of their regular monthly meetings to reminisce about their college days and putt golf balls in the living room. Think sitcom guys. Shouting from behind a closed door, they came across loud, lazy, obnoxious, demanding, annoying, childish and crude.

The men shout to the kitchen, where their wives are gathered to gab and gossip and, eventually, to reveal their marital secrets of betrayal, abandonment, independence.

When Jay, Danny and Marty accidentally lock themselves in a basement meat locker, Nicky, Molly and Debra debate giving them the ultimate cold shoulder.

"If we leave them down there, we're as bad as they are," Zimmerman's Debra fretted.

"I have no problem with that," Shoemaker's Molly replies — and she comes across quite sincere.

The trio of women deliver inspired, strong comedic performances that endear their characters to the audience. They consider murder, but they make it seem more delicious than malicious.

Zaput's Nicky provides the first hint that life is not all warm and fuzzy in her suburban Chicago home. Her husband Jay may have been indicted for embezzlement but, she said, "he is not going to prison ... because I'm going to kill him." Zaput, the show's anchor, practically spits her furious, hilarious dialogue.

Shoemaker's Molly is alternately sweet and witty,



'Smell of the Kill' thrills, chills

"Smell of the Kill" features three wives, Laurie Zimmerman, left, Carolyn Zaput taking aim overhead, top, and Diana Shoemaker on stage. Off stage throughout the play are husbands played by Mark Woodland, Rick Kopp and Herb Stump. Islander Photo: Bonner Joy

simple and sharp as she calculates how long it will take for three men to freeze. "They're probably ice cream by now," she speculates with a smile and a flash of doe eyes.

The character of Debra took the play's longest journey, from denial and vows of affection for her Marty to brutal honesty about his serial cheating. Zimmerman made the pain felt and the punishment a joy.

Kelly Wynn Woodland's direction of this 70-minute play was smart, with perfect pacing from start to finish. The husbands were written as sitcom characters, but under Woodland's direction "Smell of the Kill" was dark comedy — sharp and true.

Applause for stage management went to Ruth Ste-

vens, for set design to Rick Kopp, for light design to Chris McVicker, for sound design to Bob Grant and for costume design to Don Bailey.

"Smell of the Kill" runs through Feb. 4 with performances Tuesday through Saturday at 8 p.m. and Sunday at 2 p.m. at the Island Players Playhouse, 10009 Gulf Drive, Anna Maria.

The Island Players next production is "Drinking Alone," which opens March 15.

The box office opens 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday-Saturday and one hour prior to performances. For ticket information, call 778-5755.



Springer-Erickson wedding

James Springer married Dawn Erickson, daughter of Terry and Jay Erickson of Holmes Beach, on Dec. 31, 2006. The wedding took place at sunset on the beach at White Avenue in Holmes Beach. The Rev. Bill Wittcopp performed the ceremony, which was attended by guests from several states. A reception followed at the Waterfront Restaurant in Anna Maria. The couple will live in California while awaiting the opportunity to return to Afghanistan, where both have been doing volunteer work.

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Jennings vows to fight on for Congressional seat

By Lisa Neff
Islander Reporter

Twelve days after her Republican opponent took his oath of office to serve in the U.S. House of Representatives, Christine Jennings took an oath of her own.

"I will not stop until we get answers and our votes count," the Democratic candidate pledged to the Anna Maria Island Democratic Club Jan. 16. Jennings was referring to her challenge of the November 2006 election returns in the 13th Congressional District, which includes Anna Maria Island.

There were about 18,000 "under votes" in Sarasota County in the 13th District election, meaning about 1 in 8 people who cast ballots in the county didn't register a vote in that race.

On Jan. 4, Buchanan was sworn in as the district's representative with a lead of 369 votes.

"Mr. Buchanan was certified the lawful winner," said the congressman's communication's director, Sally Tibbetts. "And he has already gone to work on behalf of this district.... That is his primary purpose right now."

But Jennings' campaign continues to maintain that touch-screen voting machine malfunctions skewed the tally.

During the meeting last week at the BeachHouse Restaurant in Bradenton Beach, Jennings asked club members to talk with friends and relatives about her election challenge.

"It's very important," she said, urging Democrats to emphasize that she's "not a sore loser" and that her campaign raised concerns about the Sarasota County balloting weeks before election day.

Despite several complaints about problems with early voting, Jennings said "nothing happened" to correct the situation prior to or on election day.

Now the matter rests with the Florida courts and a U.S. House committee.

In late December in Tallahassee, Circuit Judge William Gary ruled against Jennings' request for access to the iVotronic hardware and software used in Sarasota



Democratic candidate Christine Jennings talks with the Anna Maria Island Democratic Club about her push for a revote in the 13th Congressional District. The club met Jan. 16 at the BeachHouse Restaurant in Bradenton Beach. Islander Photo: Lisa Neff

County, including the source code, saying her case contained conjecture and speculation.

Tibbetts called Jennings' challenge regrettable and, citing Gary's ruling, said, "her case has no merit."

Jennings' attorney, Kendall Coffey, said the circuit judge set "an alarming precedent that a plaintiff must present the evidence before it even has access to the evidence."

And Jennings, addressing the Island club last week, said she's appealing the decision.

"We want answers," she said. "This is bigger than this race now."

The matter is also under review by the U.S. House

Administrative Committee chaired by California Democrat Juanita Millender-McDonald.

Millender-McDonald's experience has prepared her for the contentious atmosphere that develops when an election is in dispute. While serving as ranking member of the Committee on House Administration, the congresswoman investigated widespread voting irregularities and voter disenfranchisement and called for a hearing in Ohio, the first election reform field hearing in congressional history.

"It's a very powerful committee," Jennings said optimistically.

A public "Revote Update" forum, hosted by Island Democrats, is scheduled for 4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 26, at the BeachHouse.

In addition to discussing the unresolved election dispute from 2006, Island Democrats explored political issues for 2007 and 2008 with University of South Florida professor Susan MacManus, specifically Democrats' chances of winning the White House in 2008.

"Everything has to be viewed through the prism of the '08 presidential election," MacManus said. "It will be a monumental election."

And Florida, she said, will again be significant in the race.

"Florida once again has captured its place as the No. 1 battleground state," MacManus said, adding that Ohio and Pennsylvania, previously battleground states, are now painted Democratic blue.

What role might Island Democrats play in the 2008 race? For Democrats to win, party loyalists must shore up support among three constituencies — youth, African-Americans and working women, MacManus said.

"My pick for one of the biggest issues in '08 — healthcare," the professor added. "It cuts across every single generation in a very personal manner."

The Island club usually meets the third Mondays January through May and September through November.

Key Royale women host 'Fore the Cure' Jan. 30

By Lisa Neff
Islander Reporter

"Fore!" is customarily a solitary warning shout on the golf course, but on Jan. 30 people will gather en masse at the Key Royale Club to shout "Fore the Cure."

The event at the club, 700 Key Royale Drive, Holmes Beach, will raise money for breast cancer research. Instead of paying to play on that Tuesday, the women golfers at Key Royale and others who attend will write checks to "Rally for the Cure."

The event will also feature a raffle of the "House of Hope," a dollhouse donated by Margaret Schuller of Holmes Beach.

Schuller spent about nine years adding details to each room, including working lights.

"It's just my hobby," she said of the miniature work.

Schuller's eldest sister, Lila, died in the summer of 2006 after a two-year fight with skin cancer.

"I just thought I would like to do something that



The women golfers of the Key Royale Club will host a "Fore the Cure" event Jan. 30 that includes the raffle of the "House of Hope." Islander Photo: Lisa Neff

would bring money in for cancer research," Schuller said. "And I just decided I would like to donate my little house in memory of my sister."

"Fore the Cure" will raise money to help the Susan

G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation finance cancer research. According to the foundation, one woman is diagnosed with breast cancer every three minutes and one woman will die of breast cancer every 13 minutes in the United States.

The foundation's "Race for the Cure" is the largest series of 5-K runs/walks in the world involving more than a million people in more than 100 races in the United States. But the series involves more than the races, it also involves hundreds of smaller, local events, such as "Fore the Cure."

The American Cancer Society also sponsors a series of events to raise money for cancer research and prevention called "Relay for Life." The "Relay for Life at Coquina Beach" takes place March 9-10 on the Gulf side of the Bradenton Beach park.

For more information about "Fore the Cure," call 778-3312. For more information about the Komen Breast Cancer Foundation, go to www.komen.org. To learn about Relay for Life, go to www.cancer.org or call 518-4431.

Island historical society plans eventful March

By Lisa Neff
Islander reporter

The Anna Maria Island Historical Society is marching forward with plans for a roaring March on the Island.

During a meeting of the historical society board Jan. 19, members discussed plans for a number of events in March, including Jazz Fest March 1 and March 15, Heritage Day March 3, a membership luncheon March 14 and a yard sale March 24.

"It's a lot to do," said historical society executive director Sissy Quinn.

The Jazz Fest, featuring the Gulf Drive Band, will be on four Saturdays: Feb. 1, Feb. 15, March 1 and March 15. Organizers said they scheduled the concerts on the museum grounds at 402 Pine Ave., Anna Maria, to draw a more consistent crowd than last year.

The membership luncheon will take place March 14 at the BeachHouse Restaurant in Bradenton Beach.

Last year, Heritage Day took place on Pine Avenue, with the city closing a section of the street for traffic. Board members said they wanted to avoid that hassle this year, as well as the cost of paying to police the street. So their plan for March 3 involves hosting Heritage Day on the museum grounds and, if Anna Maria city officials approve, in the nearby city yard.

Instead of bringing in food vendors, the society will sell hotdogs, barbecue and snacks from a "jail" concession and youth from the Anna Maria Island Community Center will sell sodas and water.

Board members still want to invite artists to participate, hoping they can showcase their work in the shady park surrounding Belle Haven Cottage.

For the yard sale, board members hope to collect donations of antiques, collectibles and junk — but not clothing.

Board members and Quinn also discussed plans to redo the floors in the museum — retiling the bath-

room will start soon and refinishing the floors in the museum sometime in the summer, after the heavy traffic of season.

Other business included reports that:

- Society member Ned Perkins donated \$2,051 to the organization and Anna Maria City Commissioner Jo Ann Mattick, the city's liaison to the society, donated a Dell laptop computer. Mattick responded to the society's wish for a laptop in *The Islander's* holiday "Wishbook."

- The historical society may soon be approved as the recipient of a marker from the Manatee County Historic Commission.

"The preliminary vote was yes," Quinn said, adding that a second vote on the marker by the commission also endorsed the Island group's application.

A third and final vote will be taken in the next few weeks, she said. "The marker is beautiful," Quinn added.

Commissioner raises concerns about city pier

By Rick Catlin
Islander Reporter

Anna Maria City Commissioner Chris Tollette has some serious concerns about the maintenance at the city pier and wants the city commission to take over that responsibility from the current lease-holder, Mario Schoenfelder.

"Maintenance issues with the pier management have been an on-going problem," Tollette maintained at the Jan. 11 city commission meeting.

She said the term "maintenance" is not defined in the current lease, which expires in 2010, and many people have complained about garbage and grease around the pier restaurant. Garbage has been "blowing into the water and then coming ashore," she said, and the stench is often unbearable.

In addition, Tollette claimed the dumpsters are not kept clear and rodents are attracted to the area.

She also noted there is an ongoing issue between Waste Management Inc. and pier management.

The city has \$7,200 set aside in its current budget for repairs and maintenance, but in the past, "those monies set aside were used for other purposes."

Tollette also claimed that while bolt inspections are done by request from public works director George McKay and deck inspections performed monthly, no one ever inspects the interior of the restaurant.

Bolt inspections should be done at least four times a year and roof inspections should begin immediately and be performed annually, she maintained. The roof hasn't been inspected in seven years, Tollette said.

The commissioner also wanted city attorney Jim Dye to review the lease agreement to determine if the



City pier back to the city?

Anna Maria City Commissioner Christine Tollette wants the city to take over maintenance of the city pier from the current leaseholder to ensure the structure is maintained properly. *Islander Photo: Rick Catlin*

city can assume the maintenance of the property and increase the rent accordingly to offset any maintenance expenses.

Although the current lease requires Schoenfelder to maintain the property to meet all municipal, county, state and federal laws, that's not good enough, said Tollette.

"Since the city owns the pier," said Tollette, "we should be responsible for the maintenance.

"This is a win-win for our city. This is a major tour-

ist attraction which creates revenues for the city and keeps us vital. It is an historical attraction much like Belle Haven which we have so lovingly taken care of. The city pier deserves the same care. We do not want to be in the same positions as the City of Bradenton Beach with a damaged pier, no tenant and no income for well over a year."

Commissioners agreed to have Dye review the lease and report back to the commission at its February worksession.

Center plans February 'topping' party, November opening

By Rick Catlin
Islander Reporter

When the Anna Maria Island Community Center board of directors first announced its expansion plans in December 2001, the estimated cost of a new facility was put at about \$2.5 million.

Little did the board and executive director Pierrette Kelly realize what they were taking on in raising that \$2.5 million.

Rising oil prices the past five years have correspondingly increased construction costs to the point where the original \$2.5 million figure doubled to \$5 million, forcing the Center board to re-evaluate its goal.

"When we got the revised estimate of \$5 million, I thought at first 'we can't do this,'" said Kelly. But the board, Kelly, the Center staff and the community buckled down and negotiated the price down to \$4.5 million, along with eliminating some of the proposed features and additions in the new structure.

The board then came up with some financing from Northern Trust Bank to continue the project, but even after construction began, the Center was still faced with a January payment deadline.

Thankfully, that deadline was met, said Kelly, but the Center still needs another \$1,037,000 to complete the project.

"We really haven't taken the fundraising campaign Islandwide," said Kelly, "but that's the next move start-

ing in February."

Fundraising measures could include people buying commemorative benches, plaques or a tree at the Center, or "just about anything anyone wants to name," said Kelly. Another idea being studied is "spare change" cans at Island businesses.

The Center could probably borrow the \$1 million and change needed for completion, but "nobody wants to borrow any more money," she added.

The Center will continue to seek grants and private donations and Kelly is confident that once the campaign goes Islandwide, all financial goals will be met.

"We've come this far and overcome so many obstacles," said Kelly, that it's impossible not to succeed with the effort.

Indeed. The board has scheduled a "topping off" party Feb. 8 to celebrate completion of the highest part of the new building's frame.

Following that, Kelly is hopeful that some services could be in operation at the new facility by this summer. She also noted that the soccer program might use the field at Holmes Beach in addition to the field at the Center, but there are no plans to move Little League baseball to Holmes Beach. The ball field is being renovated and will once again be used for baseball, she said.

"Some people have suggested we use Holmes Beach, but that field doesn't have any lights," Kelly noted.

So, how optimistic is Kelly that the dream will come true? "Pretty optimistic," she said with a smile.

The board has "optimistically" scheduled a grand opening party for the new Center on Nov. 7, 2007.

"Make plans to be there," she said, adding in true fundraising fashion that anyone wishing to donate to the capital campaign for the new building or who has a fundraising idea can call the Center at 778-1908.

District to regrade, sod AME ballfield

Anna Maria Elementary School Principal Kathy Hayes said that she has a commitment from Manatee County School Superintendent Dr. Roger Dearing to refurbish the school's ballfield.

Prior to the winter break, Hayes met with Dearing to discuss the condition of the field, which has an uneven playing surface. Hayes said maintenance staff from the district evaluated the field and recommended a three-step repair process.

Hayes said in the spring the school district will, at its expense, bring in additional fill to regrade the field. The grass there now will be killed off and the grounds will either be re-seeded or sod will be added to give it a better playing surface.

"The timeline for the project is early spring to coincide with the growing season," said Hayes, who has recommended that a Bermuda grass replace the existing Bahia.

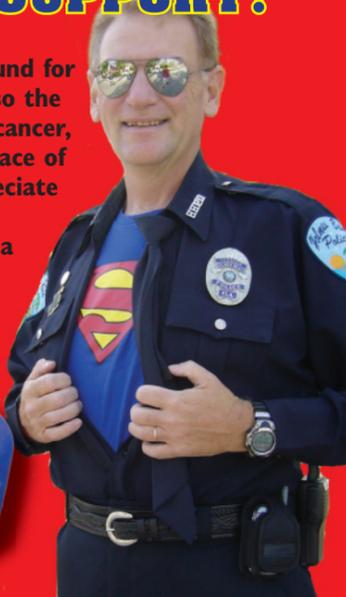
"My hope is that the ballfield will be ready for play after students return from spring break," said Hayes.

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Wedding pros publish Island guide, Web site

By Diana Bogan and Lisa Neff
Islander Reporters

Couples beginning the new year with a new ring and plans to say "I do" can turn to a network of Island professionals and their new guidebook.

Some 40 percent of engagements occur between Christmas and Valentine's Day, according to a survey conducted for www.theknot.com. Nearly 1 million couples will begin their journey in wedding planning this month and next. More than a few will journey to Anna Maria Island to dip their toes in the Gulf after exchanging their vows.

"I would say that about 50 percent are destination weddings," the Rev. Charlie Shook, of Anna Maria, said of the Island wedding ceremonies he conducts.

To guide those planning weddings, the Anna Maria Island Wedding Group formed and created www.ami-weddings.com on the Internet and the Anna Maria Island Wedding Guide in print.

The network consists of wedding professionals, including Shook and Island photographer Jack Elka, who played a pivotal role in organizing the group.

Members include accommodations, caterers and restaurants, churches, entertainers, florists and other retailers, designers, hairstylists, officiants, photographers, planners, publishers, spas and travel agents.

The group first came together last year to market their Island destination. The members' first brainstorming session led to the Web site, sponsored by *The Islander*, and the guidebook.

The network printed 10,000 copies of the book, a full-color publication packed with photographs. Elka, who photographs four to five weddings each week in the spring, said the Island is fast becoming "the wedding capital of Florida."

Both the online and print publications contain the resources for a couple — or a professional planner —



Island photographer Jack Elka was instrumental in the production of a new Anna Maria Island wedding guide planner. Islander Photo: Bonner Joy

to organize the rehearsal dinner, ceremony, reception, post-wedding brunch and honeymoon.

The network's publications seek to help with a couple's creative concerns about color scheme, floral arrangements, menu, attire, setting and style of service.

Shook said the most common question he hears from couples is "what kinds of ceremony do you recommend?"

"Most want religious," he said. "More and more are

choosing the pouring of sand or the releasing of doves to symbolize their union."

The network also seeks to help answer the legal questions about blood tests, marriage certificates and permits.

The Anna Maria Island Chamber of Commerce will distribute the book for the network, whose members also belong to the chamber.

"This offers assurances to the wedding party that they are dealing with credible service providers," Elka said.



Artists guild installs officers

Artist Genevieve Alban, left, assisted by her grandson, Edward Novicky, right, installs the Artists Guild of Anna Maria Island's 2007 officers. The officers are president Shirley O'Day, second from left, first vice president Joan Voyles, second vice president Karen Cunningham, recording secretary Jean Melczarek, corresponding secretary Darlene Holbrook, treasurer Leslie Cash and assistant treasurer Penny Williams. Before the meeting, author Jolie Bell gave a presentation on her "Poor Tugger" work. Islander Photo: Lisa Neff

Arts and crafts show here Saturday and Sunday

Some 100 artists and artisans are expected at the 11th annual Anna Maria Island Arts and Crafts Show Saturday and Sunday, Jan. 27 and 28, sponsors say.

It will be from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. both days at the field adjacent to Holmes Beach City Hall, 5801 Marina Drive. Admission and parking are free.

Signed up for participation are makers of jewelry, clothing for children and adults, pottery, photographs, sculptures, paintings and other forms of artworks.

It will be a benefit for the Wildlife Education and Rehabilitation Center of Bradenton Beach, and representatives of the organization will be there to discuss their work and show the wildlife being treated.

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Free 'Food for Life' classes expanded with second session

A second session is being added to the free "Food for Life" cooking classes for cancer prevention and survival by the Anna Maria Island Community Center.

The added session will meet from 2 to 3:30 p.m. Fridays, starting in February. A class already meeting at 11:30 a.m. Fridays is full. They meet at St. Bernard Catholic Church, 248 S. Harbor Drive, Holmes Beach.

The Center said that people on plant-based diets such as the "Food for Life" offers have "strikingly low breast cancer rates," and when it does strike they also have a better survival rate.

Those interested may register and receive more information by calling 778-1908.

Creation, nature of mankind topic of 'Inquiring Minds'

"Inquiring Minds" will begin its winter series of meetings with studies of the creation and nature of humankind with its meeting from 4 to 5:30 p.m. Jan. 30.

The session will be at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, 6608 Marina Drive, Holmes Beach. The opening study in the free weekly series will be on the early chapters of Genesis.

"Inquiring Minds" is a study group inspired by All Island Denominations, the multi-denominational organization of the Island's churches. Additional information may be obtained by phoning 778-4579 or 792-1039.

Kiwanis Club young author presentation Saturday

The Anna Maria Island Kiwanis Club will hear from young author Matthew Boerner, 11, when members meet Saturday at 8:30 a.m. for breakfast and fellowship at Cafe on the Beach, Manatee Public Beach, 4700 Gulf Drive, Holmes Beach.

Boerner penned "Read, Write and Follow Your Dream."

The Island Kiwanis Club meets every Saturday morning at the beachfront cafe. For more information, call member Don Maloney, 778-4865, or access the club's Web site is annamariakiwanis.org.

Anna Maria Power Squadron barbecue coming Saturday

The seventh annual chicken barbecue of the Anna Maria Power Squadron has been scheduled for noon to 3 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 27.

It will be at 1200 71st St. N.W., Bradenton. Carry-outs will be available at the \$6-per-plate event. Additional information may be obtained by calling 778-8408.



Mmmm, mmmm good

Doc Walker of Holmes Beach looks forward to sitting down and enjoying his pancakes at the St. Bernard Catholic Church Holy Name Society's breakfast Sunday. Serving Walker are, from left, pancake-makers Al Gunn, Bill Barker, George Tooker and Fred Andrews. The next breakfast for the community at St. Bernard will be Jan. 28. Islander Photo: Nancy Ambrose

Author Chrisine Kling on Mote fundraising program

Christine Kling will speak and sign copies of her books at two fundraising events for Mote Marine Laboratory at 2 and 7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 25.

The events will be in the Buchanan Room on the third floor of the Mote building, 1600 Ken Thompson Pkwy., Sarasota, on City Island off the south ramp of the New Pass Bridge.

The author lives aboard a sailboat and has sailed extensively about the world researching her books. They feature a tugboat captain named Seychelle Sullivan, who is also an amateur sleuth.

Her books so far in the series are "Surface Tension," "Cross Current," "Bitter End" and "Wreckers Key," the latter due out Feb. 27. Kling currently headquarters in Jamaica while working on the fifth in the Sullivan series.

Tickets for the Friends of Mote Library-sponsored event are available at Circle Books, 478 John Ringling Blvd. on St. Armands Circle; Longboat Key Library, 555 Bay Isles Road; and at Mote.

Reservations may be made by calling 388-4441 or e-mailing libraryfriends@mote.org.

Winter card party soon at St. Bernard center

The annual winter card party sponsored by the St. Bernard Women's Confraternity of Christian Doctrine will begin at 1 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 31.

It will be at the church's activity center, 248 S. Harbor Drive, Holmes Beach. It will feature cards, games and homemade desserts, said the CCW, which added "bring your playing cards, score pads or favorite board game."

Tickets at \$10 are available after each mass or by calling 778-4769.

Rotarians to hear about orphanage in Haiti

The Rev. Ron Joseph, associate pastor of St. Bernard Catholic Church, will tell the Rotary Club of Anna Maria Island about a Haitian orphanage when the club meets at noon Tuesday, Jan. 30.

The orphanage is one of the priest's favorite projects. The meeting will be the weekly luncheon of the club at the BeachHouse Restaurant, 200 Gulf Drive N., Bradenton Beach. Further information is available at 350-4326.

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Obituaries

Charles 'Charlie' Harold Brown

Charles "Charlie" Harold Brown, 71, of Bradenton, died Jan. 13.

Mr. Brown served in the U.S. Army. He was a member of the Moose Lodge in Bradenton Beach and past governor of Moose Lodge of East Aurora, N.Y. He was a member of American Legion Kirby Stewart Post No. 24, Bradenton.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Jan. 27 at the American Legion Post, 2000 75th St. W., Bradenton. A Celebration of Life will be held at 4 p.m. Jan. 27 at VFW Post No. 10141, 420 67th St. W., Bradenton. Memorial contributions may be made to Moffitt Cancer Center, 12902 Magnolia Drive, Tampa FL 33612.

He is survived by significant other Donna Montgomery; daughter Barbara Tiller; sons Grant and David, and 10 grandchildren.

James D. Busterud

James D. Busterud, 88, of Longboat Key and Aitkin, Minn., died Jan. 13.

Born in Minneapolis, Minn., Mr. Busterud was a winter resident in Manatee County since 1989. He was a retired engineer with Milwaukee Railroad. He was Catholic.

There were no local services. Memorial contributions may be made to Tidewell Hospice and Palliative Care, 5955 Rand Blvd., Sarasota FL 34238. Griffith-Cline Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

He is survived by wife Gladys; six daughters; two sons; three step-daughters; one step-son; a sister; 20 grandchildren; and 20 great-grandchildren.

Benjamin Joseph Conlon

Benjamin Joseph Conlon, 89, of Bradenton, died Jan. 13.

Born in Dedham, Mass., Mr. Conlon operated Island Foodway in Holmes Beach for 25 years. He sponsored many youth sports teams at the former Anna Maria Island Youth Center for many years. He served in World War II as a U.S. Army staff sergeant. He was a life member of VFW Post No. 24, Bradenton. He was a member of Ss. Peter and Paul The Apostles Catholic Church.

Memorial services were Jan. 17 and a Mass Jan. 18 at the church. Memorial contributions may be made to Ss. Peter and Paul The Apostles Catholic Church, 7850 75th St. W., Bradenton FL 34209. Brown and Sons Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

He is survived by wife of 65 years Beulah Maxine; sons Dana and his wife Kelly of Myrtle Beach, Dale and his wife Marie of Bradenton, and Joseph of Bridgewater, Mass.; five grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.



A first-class promotion

West Manatee Fire and Rescue firefighter Mike Bugel was promoted to firefighter first class at the WMFR district's Jan. 18 meeting and received congratulations from his wife Toni, pictured with him, and WMFR Chief Andy Price. Islander Photo: Rick Catlin

WMFR ceremony Feb. 1

The West Manatee Fire and Rescue will hold a "wetting down" ceremony at 8 a.m. Feb. 1 for a new truck the district recently purchased. The ceremony will take place at the district's Station No. 2 on 66th Street in Bradenton.

In other WMFR news, Chief Andy Price reported that all the legal paperwork to implement an increase in impact fees for new construction in the district has been filed in Tallahassee. Following a 30-day notice period, legislation to effect the increase will be introduced in the Florida Legislature by state Rep. Bill Galvano.

'Creationism vs. Evolution' art exhibit on Longboat

A one-man exhibition of paintings and drawings by Fernando Madrideo titled "Creationism versus Evolution" will open Jan. 30 at the Longboat Key Center for the Arts, 6860 Longboat Drive S.

Born in Manila and painting there and in Hong Kong, he moved to New York City in 1969 and to Sarasota in 1998. He teaches painting and drawing at the center. The exhibition will run through Feb. 27. Details are available at 383-2345.

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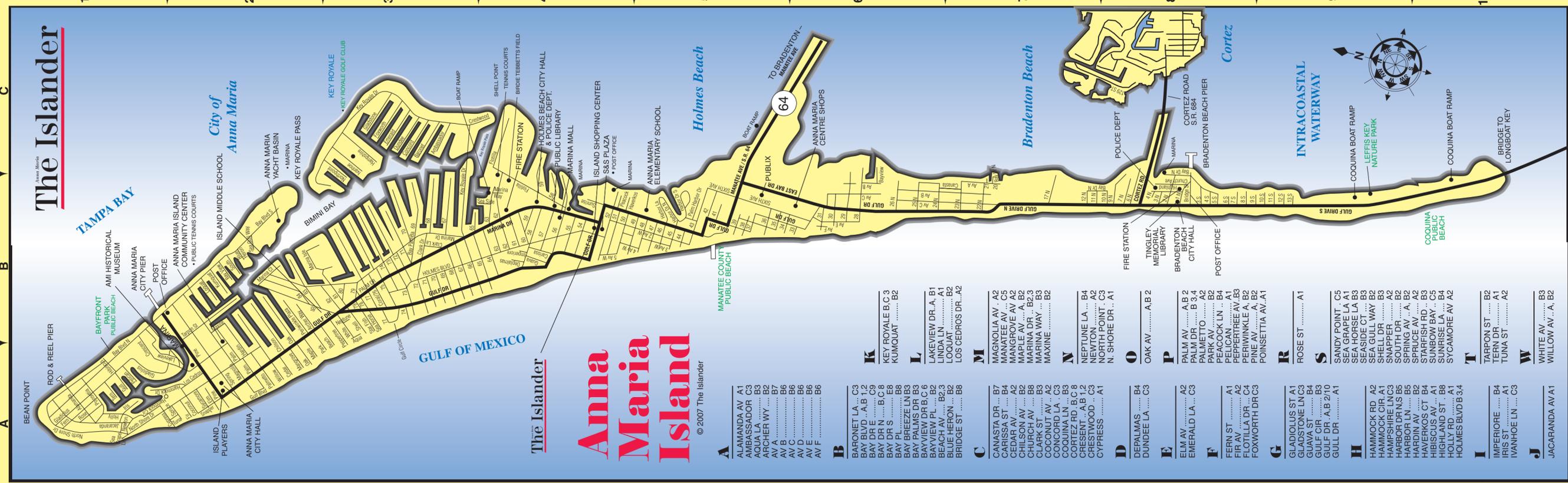
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By Rick Catlin

Marcia is 'mary'

Marcia O'Brien has returned to her native Anna Maria Island after a career in education and recently became an independent beauty consultant for Mary Kay.

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'J' and 'J' are pretty handy

Justin Hissong and Josh Miller grew up in the construction and home



South is up

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3,328 sfla 4,279 sfur 3bed/2bath canal-front pool home built in 1979 on a 77x100 lot was sold 12/28/06, McCartney to Rossi for \$540,000; list \$725,000.

230 Lakeview Drive, Anna Maria, a 1,424 sfla / 2,132 sfur 3bed/2bath/1car canalfront home built in 1969 on a 89x90 lot was sold 12/28/06, Burnett to Bailey for \$539,000; list \$579,000.

7000 Gulf Drive, Unit 107, Tiffany Place, Holmes Beach, a 1,259 sfla / 1,395 sfur 2bed/2bath Gulfview condo built in 1978 was sold 01/05/07, Bundy to Cini for \$560,000; list \$599,000.

Jesse Brisson, broker/associate at Gulf-Bay Realty of Anna Maria, can be reached at Gulf-Bay (941) 778-7244. Current Island real estate transactions may also be viewed online at www.islander.org. Copyright 2007.



Featured sale: A Tiffany Place condo at 7000 Gulf Drive, Holmes Beach, sold in June 1997 for \$175,000 and in January 2007 for \$560,000, an increase of 220 percent. The cost per square foot is \$444. Islander Photo: Jesse Brisson

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AME ready for principal transition

By Diana Bogan
Islander Reporter

Tom Levengood made his first official visit to Anna Maria Elementary School following the announcement of his appointment as the school's new principal.

Levengood met with members of the AME School Advisory Committee Jan. 16. The group is made up of AME staff, parents and business partners.

Levengood shared with them his excitement about his new position, saying that as principal at Bayshore Elementary for more than 12 years, he was ready for a change. Levengood told SAC that Superintendent Dr. Roger Dearing had encouraged Manatee County principals with at least 10 years experience at a single school to consider a post at one of several new schools being built within the district.

"I'm not willing to drive out to Pope Road or Fort Hammer Road everyday, so when I found out Kathy [Hayes] was leaving Anna Maria, I thought it was a good time to make a move," Levengood said.

"Besides, my wife can attest to the fact that I live out on the beach weekends."

Levengood was the only principal to apply for a transfer, and Dearing told *The Islander* that, "Tom is a very caring and dedicated educator who has worked decades in this county. He knows the communities as well as being very familiar with our district policies and procedures. Tom has outstanding character, and is great at reaching consensus with his staff. His parents love him and he has created tremendous community support for his school.

"These are just a few of the many reasons," Dearing said, "why I transferred Tom to be principal at Anna Maria."

Levengood told SAC members that he is family-oriented and welcomes community support. He noted that he was surprised at how many staff members and parents he already knew at AME.

Apart from his wife, Becky, who is the school's



Levengood visits AME

Incoming Principal Tom Levengood met with School Advisory Committee president Michael Pierce and other members of the team who will help him make his transition from Bayshore Elementary to Anna Maria Elementary where he begins work Feb. 1. Islander Photo: Diana Bogan

part-time reading coach, Levengood has worked with teachers Maureen Loveland and Kathy Granstad. AME parent Maggie Cucci was Levengood's intern when he taught first-grade at Palma Sola Elementary and he later hired her for a position at Moody Elementary.

Levengood noted that the district may not allow his wife to continue her position at AME next year due to a perceived conflict of interest, but a final determination has not been made.

"I did talk to Becky before I applied," said Levengood, "and we agreed. We've been married almost 33 years and if she had said no I wouldn't have applied for the job."

Shannon Dell, AME's Parent-Teacher Organization president, offered to help plan a "meet and greet" for the community in early February. And Levengood

plans to visit each classroom with Hayes prior to her departure in order to meet students and help make the transition a smooth process for them.

In other matters, the SAC received updates on a few outstanding business items, including a report from Dell that the sunshades for the covered play area have been installed and that additional shades have been ordered to cover the playground equipment.

A storage "pod" that had been used for physical education equipment will be removed. The pod was utilized while the storage closet attached to the pavilion underwent repairs. An additional storage shed for PE and playground equipment has been purchased with school funds.

The next SAC meeting will be held in the media center at 3 p.m. Monday, Feb. 12.

Volunteers sought for AME Spring Fling

By Diana Bogan
Islander Reporter

The Anna Maria Elementary School Parent-Teacher Organization is seeking volunteers for its annual Spring Fling dinner/dance in order for it to be a successful fundraiser.

Each year proceeds are utilized to purchase items to enhance education at AME, such as the school's mobile computer station comprised of laptop computers, reading books for the media center and science equipment for all grade levels.

A major portion of funds are generated through a silent auction of items donated by local businesses, art projects created by students and gift baskets put together by each classroom. Coordinating and setting up the silent auction is a critical job that has not been filled, said Joy Murphy, one of the event co-chairs.

This year the PTO decided to re-organize and des-

ignate three co-chairs to oversee the auction, food and entertainment.

Murphy said that there is a silent auction sub-committee in place, but no one to oversee the committee. The committee chair would not be responsible for soliciting auction items, rather that person would be responsible for making sure donations are grouped, make the auction lists and bid sheets and keep track of items as sub-committee members collect them.

Murphy said without an auction, the spring fling committee is facing a \$1,200 shortfall in proceeds.

Murphy adds that there is a support system in place for anyone willing to step up and take on the job. With the division of work, responsibilities of each co-chair arise at different times during the event planning, so there is always someone to help out as needed.

Volunteers are also needed to handle public relations and publishing the event program.

School choice application period begins Jan. 29

By Diana Bogan
Islander Reporter

Parents who want to send their child to a school other than the one to which they are assigned by the district for the 2007-08 school year need to apply during the School Choice Open Enrollment Period, which runs from Monday, Jan. 29, to Friday, Feb. 16.

This is the only time during the year when parents can apply to have their child attend another school without giving a specified reason for the move. School Choice applications are available at school sites, or online at www.manateeschools.net by clicking on the quick-link titled "School Choice," or at the Manatee County School Districts Parent Information Center, located at 234 Manatee Ave. E., Bradenton.

Approval of School Choice applications are subject to enrollment capacities and other demographic criteria. Choice options for elementary students are limited to schools within a specific geographical cluster, and to a specific geographical region for middle school students. High school students can use School Choice to attend any high school; however, a student cannot choose to another school once they have completed the ninth-grade.

For the first time this year, the Kindergarten

School Choice period will be held at the same time as the School Choice period for other grade levels and schools. In the past, a separate period was scheduled in May for parents of kindergarten students.

Students who are currently attending a school through the School Choice program need not apply to remain at the same school.

Applications will be considered based on school capacity and the student's proximity to the school. Completing an application form does not guarantee assignment to the school.

For further information on School Choice, contact the Parent Information Center at 708-4971.

Registration open for course in interior design

The Anna Maria Island Community Center has begun registration for a course in interior design, taught by Bettina Segó, who will lead the course through design of a participant's room.

It is a four-week course from Feb. 15 through March 8. It will meet at St. Bernard Catholic Church, 248 S. Harbor Drive, Holmes Beach. Details are available at 778-1908.

This year's event is scheduled for May 12 at St. Bernard Catholic Church and the party theme is "Beach Bash."

It's an easy and inexpensive theme to put together, said Murphy, and surf themed parties tend to draw a good crowd. Tickets will remain priced at \$35 per person and entertainment will revolve around the theme. Ideas include recruiting disc jockeys and building sandcastle displays.

Committee members plan to solicit input from teachers and parents regarding items to purchase with event proceeds. Murphy suggested the committee consider purchasing items that can be utilized to study the bay environment and suggested there might be support for creating an eco-lab by the bay.

The next Spring Fling meeting will be held early next month. A date has not yet been set.

AME MENU

Monday, Jan. 29

- Breakfast: Pancake on a Stick, Super Donut, Toast, Fruit, Cereal
- Lunch: Chicken Tenders or Shrimp Poppers, Steamed Carrots, Fruit Cocktail, Juice Bar

Tuesday, Jan. 30

- Breakfast: Chicken Patty on Biscuit, Cereal, Toast, Peanut Butter and Jelly Sandwich, Fruit
- Lunch: Macaroni and Cheese or Fish Nuggets, Roll, Green Beans, Peaches

Wednesday, Jan. 31

- Breakfast: Breakfast Pizza, Yogurt, Cereal, Toast, Fruit
- Lunch: Popcorn Chicken or Sloppy Joe Sandwich, Curly Fries, Salad, Cinnamon Applesauce

Thursday, Feb. 1

- Breakfast: French Toast Sticks, Cereal, Toast, Bagels, Fruit
- Lunch: Breaded Chicken Pieces or Mini Corn Dogs, Broccoli with Cheese Sauce, Chips, Fruit

Friday, Feb. 2

- Breakfast: Cinnamon Roll, Graham Crackers, Cereal, Toast, Fruit
- Lunch: Pizza or Grilled Cheese Sandwich, Corn, Mandarin Oranges, Fruit Cup

● Juice and milk are served with every meal.

ISLANDER CALENDAR

Wednesday, Jan. 24

9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. — Diana Kelly teaches sewing, embroidery and quilting at Roser Memorial Community Church, 512 Pine Ave., Anna Maria. Information: 795-8945.

2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. — Local artist Glen LeFevre teaches a garden stepping-stone class for the Anna Maria Island Community Center at St. Bernard Catholic Church, 248 S. Harbor Drive, Holmes Beach. Information: 778-1908. Fee applies.

5 p.m. to 7 p.m. — The Anna Maria Island Chamber of Commerce hosts a business card exchange at the Anna Maria Island Historical Society Museum, 402 Pine Ave., Anna Maria. Information: 778-1541.

6 p.m. — "It's Not Your Grandma's Bingo" fundraiser with wine and dinner, Longboat Key Center for the Arts, 6860 Longboat Drive S., Longboat Key. Information: 383-2345. Fee applies.

7 p.m. — A gospel meeting continues through Jan. 26 at the Cortez Church of Christ, 12111 45th Ave. W., Cortez. Information: www.cortez-churchofchrist.com.

Thursday, Jan. 25

9 a.m. to 10:15 a.m. — The Anna Maria Island Art League hosts a yoga class, 5312 Holmes Blvd., Holmes Beach. Information: 778-2099. Fee applies.

10 a.m. to 1 p.m. — The Fun Festival takes place at Water's Edge of Bradenton, a senior retirement community, 3132 21st Lane W., Bradenton. Information: 748-7797.

Noon — Longboat-Lido-St. Armands Keys Chamber of Commerce holds a "nooner" networking lunch, Fred's Restaurant, 1917 Osprey Ave., Sarasota. Information: 941-383-2466. Fee applies.

2 p.m. to 7 p.m. — The Friends of Mote Marine Library sponsor the Mystery Authors with a Florida Connection program, Mote Marine Laboratory, 1600 Ken Thompson Pkwy. Information: 388-4441, ext. 333, and libraryfriends@mote.org.

7 p.m. — Bingo gets called at the Annie Silver Community Center, corner of 23rd Street and Avenue C, Bradenton Beach. Information: 778-1915.

Friday, Jan. 26

10 a.m. to 1 p.m. — The Anna Maria Island Art League hosts a workshop with Doug Land on learning to draw your pet at the league studio, 5312 Holmes Blvd., Holmes Beach. Information: 778-2099. Fee applies.

10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. — Larry Auerbach offers instruction in bridge play through the Anna Maria Island Community Center at the Volunteer Fire Hall, 201 Second St., Bradenton Beach. Information: 778-1908. Fee applies.

10:30 a.m. to noon — Line dancing sponsored by the Anna Maria Community Center takes place at St. Bernard Catholic Church, 248 S. Harbor Drive. Information: 778-1908. Fee applies.

11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. — Anna Maria Island Community Center hosts a Food for Life cooking session, "Antioxidants and Phytochemicals," at St. Bernard Catholic Church, 248 S. Harbor Drive, Holmes Beach. Information: 778-1908.

4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. — A public "Revote Update" forum takes place with 2006 Democratic congressional candidate Christine Jennings at the BeachHouse Restaurant, 200 Gulf Drive N., Bradenton Beach. Information: 366-8121.

Saturday, Jan. 27

8:30 a.m. — The Anna Maria Island Kiwanis Club will hear speaker Matthew Boerner, 11, book author, when it meets at Cafe on the Beach, Manatee Public Beach. Information: www.annamariakiwanis.org.

9 a.m. to 3 p.m. — Manatee County Utilities Operations Department and the Island cities provide residents with a household hazardous waste and e-scrap collection, Coquina Beach, Gulf side parking lot. Information: 708-8561.

9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. — The Pilates class sponsored by the Anna Maria Island Community Center takes place outdoors at the BeachHouse Restaurant, 200 Gulf Drive N., Bradenton Beach. Information: 778-1908. Fee applies.

10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. — The 11th annual Anna Maria Island Arts and Crafts Show takes place today and Jan. 28 at the Holmes Beach City Hall field off Marina Drive. Information: 379-0951.

7 p.m. — The Sandpiper Women's Club holds its annual Penny Sale, which benefits the Anna Maria Island Privateers scholarship fund, at the Sandpiper clubhouse, 2601 Gulf Drive N., Bradenton Beach. Information: 778-1140.

10 a.m. to 5 p.m. — The St. Armands Art Festival of arts and crafts, music and food, takes place in the circle. Information: www.artfestival.com or 954-472-3755.

Noon to 3 p.m. — The Anna Maria Island Power Squadron holds its seventh annual chicken barbecue at 1200 71st St. N.W., Bradenton. Information: 778-8408.

6 p.m. — The Rotary Club of Anna Maria Island presents its fifth annual Extravaganza and Casino Night, St. Bernard Catholic Church, 248 S. Harbor Drive, Holmes Beach. Information: 746-7517. Fee applies.

Sunday, Jan. 28

10 a.m. to 5 p.m. — The St. Armands Art Festival of arts and crafts, music and food, takes place in the circle. Information: www.artfestival.com or 954-472-3755.

3 p.m. — Carl Parks, Gloria Dei choir director and organist, performs

a recital at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, 6608 Marina Drive, Holmes Beach. Information: 778-1813.

7 p.m. — All Island Denominations holds a community celebration marking 25 years of unity, Roser Memorial Community Church, 512 Pine Ave., Anna Maria. Information: 778-0414.

Monday, Jan. 29

9 a.m. to 10:15 a.m. — The Anna Maria Island Art League hosts a yoga class, 5312 Holmes Blvd., Holmes Beach. Information: 778-2099. Fee applies.

4 p.m. — Mote Marine Laboratory hosts a Monday@Mote program featuring Kevan Main of the Center for Aquaculture Research and Development, 1600 Ken Thompson Pkwy., Sarasota. Information: 941-388-4441, ext. 691.

6 p.m. to 7 p.m. — Manatee County Government hosts an educational forum on applying for up to \$2,500 through the Neighborhood Enhancement Grant Program, Manatee County South County Library, 6081 26th St. W., Bradenton. Information: 749-3070.

7 p.m. — Mote Marine Laboratory hosts a special lecture, "Triumph and Tragedy: The First Manned Dives to the Wreck of the German Battleship Bismarck," 1600 Ken Thompson Pkwy., Sarasota. Information: 941-388-4441.

Tuesday, Jan. 30

Noon — Rotary Club of Anna Maria Island meets with guest speaker the Rev. Ron Joseph of St. Bernard Catholic Church at the BeachHouse Restaurant, 200 Gulf Drive N., Bradenton Beach. Information: 350-4326.

4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. — "Inquiring Minds," a study group inspired by All Island Denominations, meets at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, 6608 Marina Drive, Holmes Beach. Information: 792-1039.

6 p.m. to 7 p.m. — Manatee County Government hosts an educational forum on applying for up to \$2,500 through the Neighborhood Enhancement Grant Program, Manatee County Braden River Library, 4915 53rd Ave. E., Bradenton. Information: 749-3070.

7 p.m. to 8 p.m. — Bradenton Prep hosts an open house for students and parents at the school, 7900 40th Ave. W., Bradenton. Information: 792-7838

Wednesday, Jan. 31

8 a.m. to 9 a.m. — Longboat-Lido-St. Armands Keys Chamber of Commerce hosts a coffee connection, chamber office, 6960 Gulf of Mexico Drive, Longboat Key. Information: 383-2466.

9:30 to 11:30 a.m. — Diana Kelly teaches sewing, embroidery and quilting at Roser Memorial Community Church, 512 Pine Ave., Anna Maria. Information: 795-8945.

1 p.m. — The annual Winter Card Party presented by the St. Bernard Guild takes place in the church's activity center, 248 S. Harbor Drive. Information: 778-4769.

Ongoing:

- The Island Players present "Smell of the Kill" through Feb. 4 at 8 p.m. Tuesdays through Saturdays and at 2 p.m. Sundays, 10009 Gulf Drive. Information: 778-5755.

- "Thoroughly Modern Millie" at the Manatee Players Riverfront Theatre, 102 Old Main St., Bradenton, through Jan. 28. Information: 748-5875.

- Art by Peggy Potter at the Artists Guild Gallery, 5413 Marina Drive, Holmes Beach, through Jan. 31.

- James Pay Exhibit at the Anna Maria Island Art League, 5312 Holmes Blvd., Holmes Beach, through Feb. 2. Information: 778-2099.

- Dr. Kenneth Alonso discusses Christian mystics in "The Way of the Heart," 7 p.m. Mondays through March 26 at St. Bernard Catholic Church, PLEASE SEE CALENDAR, NEXT PAGE

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Island police reports

Anna Maria City

Jan. 14, 500 block Magnolia Avenue, burglary. The complainant said she saw someone near her car at her house, confronted him, and he fled. Missing was approximately \$5 in change from the vehicle.

Bradenton Beach

Jan. 13, 2600 Gulf Drive, stolen tag. Officers responded to a complainant's call that someone had stolen his Georgia license tags from his vehicle. While working the case, officers learned of an attempted robbery at Publix in which the suspect drove off in a vehicle with Georgia license tags that matched the complainant's tags.

Jan. 14, 100 block Gulf Drive, Circle K, DUI. Officers responded to a call of an apparently intoxicated person trying to buy alcoholic beverages. Scott Kaleta, 26, of Holmes Beach, was taken into custody. While attempting to handcuff him, he attempted to walk away and had to be physically placed in the police car.

Jan. 15, 200 block Bay Drive North, disorderly intoxication. The complainant said an intoxicated man was in his back yard. Officers found the man, who said he had no money for a cab and no one to call to take him home. He resisted arrest, and officers sprayed him with

pepper spray. While being searched, a small amount of marijuana was discovered in his pocket. He was also charged with possession of cannabis under 20 grams.

Holmes Beach

Jan. 13, 300 block Mango Avenue, DUI. Officers observed a car being driven erratically and then observed it run into a parked car. Eric D. Bergan, 57, of Holmes Beach, was charged with driving under the influence and the crash.

Jan. 13, 3900 East Bay Drive, Publix, theft/shoplifting. The store manager said a man left the store with a full cart of items without paying for them. An assistant manager approached the man, they scuffled, the man said he had AIDS, and employees released him. He sped off in a white van which, it was later determined, had stolen Georgia license plates. A description of the vehicle was posted to all law enforcement agencies in the county.

Jan. 13, 600 block Emerald Lane, lost property. The complainant said she had lost her wallet with identification and credit cards several days earlier at an unknown location.

Jan. 14, 4100 block Gulf Drive, information. During a traffic stop, officers discovered an unmarked prescription bottle containing drugs. The pills were confiscated until the driver could provide a valid prescription for

warmups at 8:45 a.m.

• The Anna Maria Island Historical Museum, 402 Pine Ave., opens on Wednesdays at 10 a.m. with the smell of "Settler's Bread," available for \$4 a loaf.

Coming up:

• Jazz Fest Feb. 1 at the Anna Maria Island Historical Museum, 402 Pine Ave. Information: 778-0492.

• The annual Friends of the Island Library book sale Feb. 3. Information: 778-6341.

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the drugs.

Jan. 14, 4000 Gulf Drive, Manatee Public Beach, suspicious person. Officers responded to a call from lifeguards regarding someone causing a disturbance. Lifeguards said the man had been throwing beer bottles and refused to leave the beach. He was issued a trespass warning and left the beach.

Jan. 15, 4000 Gulf Drive, Cafe on the Beach, theft. The owner said someone had taken five empty beer kegs overnight, valued at \$130.

Jan. 15, 5346 Gulf Drive, Hurricane Hanks, theft. The manager said someone overnight had taken approximately \$1,060 in cash from a money bag in the manager's office.

Jan. 15, 3700 block Gulf Drive, criminal mischief. The complainant said someone had damaged the pool cover at the condominium.

Jan. 15, 3234 E. Bay Drive, Whistle Stop, theft/shoplifting. The store owner said a woman entered the store and ask for a charitable donation for an unknown charity. The store owner was busy with another customer, and the woman left after leaving her name and a phone number for a callback later, but the store owner noticed a ring on the woman's finger similar to one she sells. When the suspect left the store, the store owner discovered five rings missing. Total value of the missing rings was \$1,450. Police checked the phone number and discovered it was a local resort, which reported a woman matching the suspect's description had been evicted for suspected prostitution.

Jan. 16, 100 block 81st Street, theft. The complainant said an unknown person took an old toilet, valued at \$30, from her carport.

Jan. 16, 4000 Gulf Drive, Manatee Public Beach, theft. Officers responded to the theft of a beach bag from where the complainant had left on the back of her car.

Calendar

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Holmes Beach.

• A variety of classes — from basic drawing to stained glass to oil painting — are under way at the Anna Maria Island Art League, 5312 Holmes Beach Blvd., Holmes Beach. Information: 778-2099.

• The Manatee County Fair continues at various hours through Jan. 28 at the fairgrounds, 1402 14th Ave., Palmetto. Information: 722-1639.

• Horseshoes get tossed in the pits at Anna Maria City Hall, 10005 Gulf Drive, Anna Maria, on Wednesdays and Saturdays at 9 a.m., with

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It's clean-off-the-desk time again, so this Sandscript will include a bunch of McFactoids.

And, as is often the case, much of the below is about the weather.

Wild weather

It snowed in Malibu, Calif., last week. A lot — at least, according to news videos, enough to warrant snowplows to scoop up the stuff from the highways of the posh beachside enclave.

It apparently was the first time it's snowed there in 45 years.

The California cold has pretty much wiped out the citrus crop, from reports, and damaged other truck-farm products. We'll just have to wait and see how bad it all is when we try to buy fresh produce.

Northern Europe was also hammered last week with freezing rain and hurricane-force winds of 77 mph, including gusts to 118 mph in Germany. The death toll was near 50 as of last weekend, according to wire service reports.

This wicked weather comes on the heels of repeated nightmares around the Rocky Mountains and in the central United States, which had upwards of a half-million people without power due to bad weather.

Meanwhile, we're basking in unfathomably warm temperatures in Florida. Who would have thought mid-January would feature 80-degree-plus weather, with Gulf water temperatures at 70?

Hey, I'll take a little fog any time, versus a freeze.

Weather needs

A fund-cutting plan offered by the U.S. government has drawn the ire of a committee of more than 50 scientists, who vehemently argue that more, not less, is needed in the form of what is called "Earth-observing missions" — or weather satellites.

According to the journal *Nature*, "The number of earth-observing missions could drop by a third between 2006 and 2010, if funding continues at expected levels. The loss of existing capabilities would leave scientists without data to feed models of climate change — perhaps leaving us unprepared to face future climate shifts."

Scientists have recommended that at least 17 new satellites are needed in the next decade, at what is called a "modest" price of \$3 billion. Without the data the eyes-in-the-sky provide, climate change information will be set back by decades. In fact, the president of the University Corp. for Atmospheric Research in Colorado has called the lack of information "fatal."

It's not just new satellites that are needed, but the return of previously planned data collection on ones already within the pipeline that have been cut by budget constraints.

The information being sought runs the gamut from polar ice expansion and contraction to El Nino formation or dissolution.

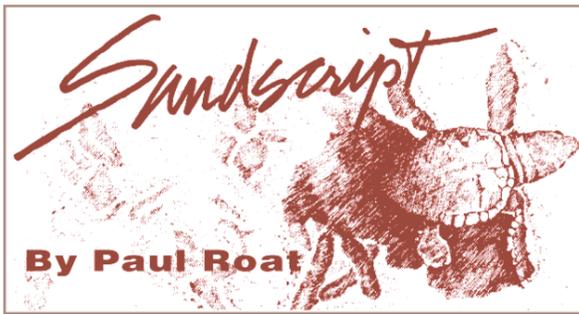
No word from the feds on whether or not the recommendation will change any current funding program goals.

Climate as deadly as nuclear weapons?

You may have caught the snippet in the news last week that the Bulletin of Atomic Scientists has moved the hands of its Doomsday Clock to five minutes before midnight. Midnight is what has been referred to as the "metaphorical marker of the end of humanity."

The change last week was prompted by not just the October test of nuclear weapons by North Korea — it's usually wars or big bombs that change the clock — but also climate change.

The group of Doomsday Clock-smiths, which formed in 1947 as a result of the Manhattan Project,



declared that climate change is just as deadly to the planet as a big boom. Again according to the journal *Nature*, a top scientist said, "When we looked at doomsday, we realized that there were other technologies and trends that we needed to include. After considering several threats, including nanotechnology and bioterrorism, the group decided that the dangers of climate change are almost as dire as those of nuclear weapons."

For a little perspective at just what 11:55 means, the clock was first set at 11:53. It crept to 11:58 in

Devoted modeler in big show again

By Jim Hanson
Islander Reporter

"You don't have the patience? Lady, patience doesn't build models."

Bill Booth has repeated his admonition to repeated protestations maybe a thousand times in his 60 years of building ship models. Results will be among the hundreds of models on exhibit at the second annual Age of Sail, Age of Steam model show Feb. 3 and 4 at the Manatee Convention and Civic Center, One Haban Blvd., Palmetto.

The first exhibit was a sell-out last year, filling the center with 158 models and attracting crowds numbering in the hundreds. This year promises to be bigger, adding steam locomotives and stationary steam engines to the exhibition.

The show will be open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. both days of the weekend. Admission \$2 for adults, children free, and acres of free parking. It is sponsored by the Florida Marine Museum in Cortez and the Florida Institute for Saltwater Heritage, the main mover of civic undertakings in the historic fishing village of Cortez.

Bill Booth will be there with a dozen or more ship models from the 16th to 18th centuries. He made every one, keeping 25 or 30 of them in his home in northwest Bradenton. They are from very small to 3 feet long and, being sailing ships, more than that tall.

He is a "scratch" modeler, building most of his models from nothing but pieces of wood and string and glass. He is a "string" builder, using thread and

GPS or LORAN? Opinions sought

Public opinions on proposals to dumping LORAN or upgrading it to a sort of supplemental GPS are being sought by the U.S. Coast Guard, with a deadline of Feb. 7.

LORAN is Long Range Navigation System, GPS is Global Positioning System, both under the jurisdiction of the Coast Guard.

Almost nobody uses LORAN anymore, say knowledgeable area boaters, while GPS is acknowledged to be far superior, easier to use and more accurate. LORAN is regarded as useful only for coastal work.

"Unfortunately," said one experienced navigator, "GPS requires a constellation of satellites which could be vulnerable to enemy attack and/or neutralization, while LORAN is land-based. Except for the vulnerability, GPS is superior at every point."

The Coast Guard is inviting public comments, and suggests interested persons call its info line at 1-800-368-5647 for details.

1953 when both the United States and Russia tested hydrogen bombs. It has been fluctuating back and forth since, with the last setting made in 2002, when it moved forward two minutes post-9/11.

Sandscript factoid

Here is a really, really cool phone number to put on your speed dial: a beach conditions hot line.

Sponsored by a slew of state and local governments, as well as Mote Marine Laboratory and Solutions To Avoid Red Tide, the recorded message provides beach conditions twice a day for eight beaches in the Manatee and Sarasota county area. Two are on the Island — Coquina and Manatee Public beaches — with more sites planned.

Thank our lifeguards and some nifty Blackberry mobile phone devices for providing the reports, which include wind conditions, fish kills, red tide impact and the state of the water.

The number: 941-388-5223.



Bill Booth at last year's show in Palmetto.

string for the rope rigging of his ships, as opposed to the steam-powered, stringless models others may prefer to put together.

He sticks with real ships that real people sailed, not the fancier ones with a lot of gold trim. "People look at cannons and gilt, and better ones with elaborate carving on the stern. But mine are simpler. I just happen to prefer them."

The last one he built is the "Nina," which Columbus sailed to the New World, on a 1-to-48 scale that ended up 14 inches long, 28 inches tall from keel to masthead. He noted that the original "Nina" was from the Mediterranean and had a lateen rig, which Columbus converted to square sails because they worked better on an ocean.

Booth is conversant with all kinds of esoteric stuff, being a lifelong history buff — he graduated in history from the University of South Florida and taught American and European history at Manatee High School for 30 years, and at Manatee Community College.

In the 1970s he designed the landing and wrote the eight-act "God, Glory or Gold" presentation that launched the anniversary DeSoto Week at the DeSoto Memorial, and ultimately was chairman of the annual DeSoto Week celebration.

During that time, he bought plans for a caravel type ship, scaled it to fit a truck frame, and built it as the DeSoto float. It later became the boat-float of the Anna Maria Island Privateers, and served the Island group until it was succeeded by a new model a few years ago. That boat was then sold by the Privateers to another pirate crew just starting up in Hillsborough County.

Meanwhile, Bill Booth continues to build scale models, each taking him between six months and five years to put together with strips of wood, glue and string.

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	Jan 24	3:22 1.4	9:11 0.3	3:34 1.7	10:33 0.0
FQ	Jan 25	4:57 1.0	9:31 0.6	4:10 1.9	—
	Jan 26	—	12:02 -0.2	4:53 2.0	—
	Jan 27	—	1:31 -0.5	5:48 2.1	—
	Jan 28	—	2:48 -0.7	6:56 2.1	—
	Jan 29	—	3:51 -0.8	8:08 2.2	—
	Jan 30	—	4:42 -0.8	9:13 2.2	—
	Jan 31	1:26a 1.1	5:23 -0.8	10:07 2.2	3:20 1.0

• Cortez High Tides 7 minutes later — lows 1:06 later

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Local fishing as hot/cold as the weather

As soon as the weather makes up its mind, fishing should, too.

Sheepshead, trout and redfish are a good bet for backwater fishing. Trout are coming in big and numerous, with some wade fishers catching a half-dozen in short order. There are also flounder and catch-and-release snook in the backwaters.

Offshore fishing is still good for grouper and snapper. Rudderfish are also a good bet. There are also still some kingfish coming in from offshore, an odd occurrence for this time of year, but lots of fun for the fishers.

At **Corky's Live Bait & Tack Shop** on Cortez Road, reports indicate that fishing has remained on the positive side despite the fact that temperatures have ranged from warm to cool with lots of fog. Bradenton Beach and Holmes Beach appear to have been some of the "hot" spots this week with fishers catching lots of whiting, redfish, trout and bluefish when using live shrimp. Anglers using Mr. Sheepshead's cooked sand fleas and "Magic Potion" have been catching lots of sheepsies ranging to 21 inches in length, plus some pompano. Manatee River fishers have been catching redfish, trout, flounder, bluefish, ladyfish, sheepshead and catch-and-release snook, with live shrimp working the best as bait. Offshore fishermen have been using Atlantic menhaden and live pinfish for bait to catch kingfish, amberjack, snapper and grouper, with some of the grouper getting up to 20 pounds in size.

Grady Smith at **Island Discount Tackle at Catchers Marina** in Holmes Beach said backwater fishing was very good for redfish, trout and "short snook," plus some pompano, Spanish mackerel and sheepshead.

Tom Cassetty at the **Rod & Reel Pier** said things have been a little slow, but there are still sheepshead, whiting and lots of crabs and stingrays being caught.



Fine day on the water

Bringing back a good catch of red and gag grouper are, from left, Alex Caldevane, Land-one Gauge and Evan Gauge while on a fishing trip out in the Gulf of Mexico with Capt. Larry McGuire of Show Me The Fish Charters.

Jesus Rosario at the **Anna Maria City Pier** said bonita, sheepshead and mackerel are coming in, with the macks hitting best in the morning. Whiting are a good bet as well — Jesus said one lucky angler caught nine in one morning. There are also some keeper-size flounder landing on the dock.

At **Annie's Bait and Tackle** in Cortez, Capt. Mark Johnson said his inshore charters are catching Spanish mackerel, bluefish and little tuna by the beaches, and lots of redfish in the bays. **Capt. Sam Kimball** said his offshore trips are coming back with lots of mangrove

snapper, triggerfish, "rudderfish by the bucketload," porgies and Key West grunts.

Capt. Zach Zacharias on the **Dee-Jay II** out of **Parrot Cove Marina** said he took Betsey Graf and Jim and Nancy Brill, all from Tafton, Pa., out last week and they scored well with a mixed bag of redfish, sheepsies, speckled and gray trout, as well as bluefish on a half-day charter. "Live shrimp and an incoming tide proved productive along the beaches and in north Sarasota Bay and Palma Sola Bay," he said.

Good luck and good fishing.

Curator coming for Marine Museum

By Jim Hanson
Islander Reporter

Jeff Moates is coming back to Cortez to do what he has been preparing for all of his adult life: Taking care of and participating in the nautical past.

He will take over on March 12 as curator of the Florida Marine Museum at Cortez. He's been here before as a volunteer in the museum program.

Moates first came here as a 5-year-old with his family from Atlanta, then played baseball at Manatee High School and at the University of West Florida in Pensacola, where he was a walk-on player after two years at Manatee Community College. He earned a bachelor's degree in anthropology and a master's in historical archaeology at West Florida, specializing in underwater archaeology.

There he met his wife, a Panama City native who was in graduate school with him, earning a degree in archaeological research. She has been teaching school

in Wakulla County.

Moates did field research in colonial Fort Pensacola and on two shipwrecks in Pensacola Bay, one a Spanish vessel of the 1700s. His master's thesis was on a steamboat sunk in St. Joe Bay.

Upon graduation he came back to the area, working on architectural and archaeological historical surveys of construction sites in Sarasota County, so buildings were not put up on historic sites. He has been working for the Florida Bureau of Archeological Research since 2005.

When they were living here, Moates volunteered in the Cortez museum's programs, teaching other volunteers about diving on reefs and other underwater intricacies. His wife taught seventh-grade at Lincoln Middle School in Palmetto.

When they move back to the area in March, there will be three of them — they had a son, Jackson, last November.

Mote launching programs for kids

Children will get a taste of the sea and the adventures it offers in a series of programs being offered by Mote Marine Laboratory, starting at the end of January.

It's called SEA, for Science, Education and Aquarium. The first of the series will focus on sharks, and students will learn about SharkTracker, the newest exhibit in the Mote Aquarium.

Designed for kids in fourth- through eighth-grade, although it fits with people of all ages and levels of knowledge. It will be Jan. 31 and Feb. 1 and 2 with interactive live broadcasts with SeaTrek, Mote's distance learning program, at 10 and 11 a.m. and noon.

Featuring live bonnethead sharks, it will show the bonnethead's largest relative, the great hammerhead, and see a record-setting great hammerhead of 14.5 feet, 1,280 pounds caught by a fisherman and donated to Mote. A full-scale model is in the aquarium's Shark Zone.

Cost of the SEA adventures is calculated per student in groups ranging to more than 50. Pre-registration is required, at 388-4441, ext. 263.

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Kumon: Team to beat in Division III basketball

By Kevin Cassidy
Islander Reporter

Kumon and Ooh La La! Bistro both came into the Jan. 18 matchup with perfect 2-0 records and looking to make a statement as to who will rule Division III basketball this season.

The final score shows Kumon edging Ooh La La! 15-10, but Kumon controlled the game from the outset. Neil Carper was almost unstoppable off the dribble and seemingly penetrated the lane whenever it suited him. Once he broke down the perimeter defense, he would either go in for the layup or pass it off to post players Logan Reiber or Chris Burdick.

Kumon held a 7-1 lead midway through the third period behind five points from Carper and two points from Reiber. Ooh La La! fought back to pull to within 7-4 on a rebound putback from Phillip Dudevoire and one foul shot from Jake Parsons.

Carper extended the Kumon lead to 9-4 when he grabbed an offensive rebound and took off for the other basket with Ooh La La! defenders giving chase. Carper reversed his direction and drove unabated back to his basket for a layup.

Josh Zawistoski answered right back for Ooh La La! when he took the inbounds pass and drove the length of the court for a layup to pull to within three points.

Carper brought the ball upcourt for Kumon and drove the baseline before passing off to Burdick for an easy layup and an 11-6 lead. Zawistoski answered minutes later with a 15-foot shot from the baseline to again pull Ooh La La! to within three points.

Carper and Burdick hooked up again to give Kumon a 13-8 lead, but Ooh La La! refused to go away. Lauren Sapienza scored along the baseline to again pull Ooh La La! to within three points with time winding down. Carper brought the ball quickly up court and drove to the basket. As the Ooh La La! defense collapsed on him, he alertly passed the ball out to the top of the key where Reiber swished a shot as the buzzer sounded to complete Kumon's 15-10 victory.

Carper finished with a game-high seven points, four assists and three steals, while Reiber scored four points and grabbed a game-high eight rebounds. Burdick completed the Kumon scoring with four points in the victory.

Zawistoski led Ooh La La! with five points and three steals, while Dudevoire had two points, two rebounds and two steals. Sapienza's two points and one point and four rebounds from Jake Parsons rounded out the Ooh La La! scoring.

In other Division III basketball action, Jessie's Island Store rolled past Greg Ross Development 16-4 on Jan. 17. Samantha Purnell led the way with six points and an incredible 15 rebounds, while teammate Anne Marie Galati had four points and seven steals. Alexia Yavalar, Maddie Valadie and Gigi Belsito each scored two points in the victory for Jessie's.

Lexi Moore and Andrew Ross scored two points apiece to lead Greg Ross Development in the loss.

Division II:

Dips 27, Duncan 10

Justin Gargett scored 14 points and pulled down 13 rebounds to lead Dips Ice Cream past Duncan Real Estate on Jan. 16. Johnny Mattay added five points for Dips, which also received two points apiece from Lee Bergeron, Connor Field, Zach Guerin and Daniel Schroeder in the victory.

Duncan Real Estate was led by eight points from Kalif Mora and two points from Courtney Schmidt.

Center basketball schedule

Premier (ages 14-17)

Jan. 25 8 p.m. IRE vs. WCAC
Jan. 29 8 p.m. Ralph's vs. WCAC

Division I (ages 12-13)

Jan. 24 8 p.m. Oyster Bar vs. Danziger
Jan. 29 7 p.m. Oyster Bar vs. Cycles
Jan. 30 8 p.m. Paradise vs. Cycles

Division II (ages 10-11)

Jan. 24 7 p.m. Duncan vs. ReMax
Jan. 30 6 p.m. ReMax vs. A&E
Jan. 30 7 p.m. Duncan vs. Dips

Division III (ages 8-9)

Jan. 24 6 p.m. Jessie's vs. Publix
Jan. 25 7 p.m. Kumon vs. Jessie's
Jan. 29 6 p.m. Ross vs. Publix

Instructional Division (ages 5-7)

Jan. 25 6 p.m. Orthopedics vs. Observer
Jan. 25 6 p.m. Beach House vs. LPAC



Neil Carper fires up a shot as Ooh La La!'s Joselin Presswood defends during Division III basketball action at King Middle, left. Carper later drives to the basket as Josh Zawistoski attempts to poke the ball loose. Islander Photos: Kevin Cassidy

A&E 23, ReMax 16

Air & Energy received a balanced scoring attack led by eight points and eight rebounds from Becca Butler to defeat ReMax Gulfstream Realty on Jan. 16. Stephanie Purnell added six points, while Daniel Pimental and Savannah Schield each scored four points.

ReMax was led by eight points and six steals from Travis Belsito and seven points and six steals from Jacob Beard in the loss.

Division I:

Cycles 38, Oyster Bar 28

Tommy Price's all-around play lifted Connect Cycles to a 10-point victory over the Anna Maria Oyster Bar on Jan. 17. Price finished with 15 points, seven rebounds, six steals and five assists to lead Connect Cycles, which also received seven points from Kyle Parsons and four points apiece from Chris Callahan, Patrick Edwards and Kera Nelson in the victory.

Ryan Schroeder led the Oyster Bar with 14 points and eight rebounds. Brett Rocklein added eight points and eight steals, while Molly McDonough added four points and five rebounds in the loss.

Paradise 33, Danziger 16

Twelve points, eight rebounds and four assists from Blake Wilson sparked A Paradise Realty past Dr. Danziger's Destroyers on Jan. 16. Eric Dolan and Katie Hunt scored four points apiece, while Sarah Howard and Lindsey Reid finished with three points apiece in the Paradise victory.

Matt Bauer scored four points and grabbed 19 rebounds to pace Danziger, which also received four points from Chris Pate and three points from Trevor Bystrom in the loss.

Premier Division:

WCAC 47, Ralph's 33

West Coast Air Conditioning received double-figure scoring efforts from three players during its Jan. 18 victory over Rotten Ralph's. Celia Ware, Jordan Pritchard and David Tyson each scored 12 points for WCAC, while Chad Reed added six points and Tripp Pearre finished with five points in the victory.

Rotten Ralph's was led by 12 points apiece from Dylan Mullen and Garrett Secor, who also hauled down 14 rebounds. Brandon Gengler added nine points and 11 rebounds for Rotten Ralph's in the loss.

Key Royale golf news

It was another full week of golf at the Key Royale Club in Holmes Beach. The week's action closed with the club's weekly nine-hole coed tournament. The team of Frankie Smith-Williams, Tom Steele, Joyce Brown and Hal Sears fired a nine-under-par 23 in the best ball of foursome game to claim first place. Second place went to the team of Dottie McKinna, Al Morgan and Fred Meyers with a combined 26.

The men teed it up on Jan. 17 for an 18-hole, low-net-of-partner's game. Two teams, Hal Sears and Jim Thorton, along with the team of Bob Sayles and Bob Lamp, shot a combined two-under par 126 to claim clubhouse bragging rights for the day. Two shots back in second place were Gordon McKinna and Fred Meyers, who finished at even par. Tom Lewis and Chuck Boes came in third with a 135, while Bob Dickinson and Bill Gallagher were alone in fourth place with a 138.

The women teed it up on Jan. 16 for nine holes of individual-low-net golf. Flight AA saw Penny Williams

birdie No. 6 on the way to posting an even-par 32 to defeat the trio of Bobbie Lindstrom, Jean Holmes and Cindi Mansour, who each shot 34.

Flight A was won by Meredith Slavin with a three-under 29, one shot ahead of second-place finisher Joyce Reith. Dorothy McKinna and Nancy King both shot even-par 32 to finish in third place.

Sally Keyes fired an even-par 32 to capture Flight B over Lorraine Towne, Maryanne Kaemerlen and Linda Morris, all tied for second place with 34s.

Sally York's 31 was good for first place in Flight C. Terry Westby shot a 32 and Millie Mullin shot a 34 to finish in second- and third-place respectively.

Joanne Brouger shot a one-under 31 to finish three shots ahead of second-place finisher Roxanne Koche to win Flight D. Dot Camboni was third with a 35, while Erma McMullin and Theresa Schutt were tied for third with 34s.

The men also played a nine-hole, individual-low-net match on Jan. 15, which was captured by Hugh Holmes Sr. Holmes fired a four-under-par 28 to finish one shot ahead of second-place finishers Bob Landgren and Tom McDonnell, who both shot a 29. There was also a tie for third place between Dick Grimme and Richard Westby at two-under-par 30.

Horseshoe news

Great weather produced a great turnout for the Jan. 13 horseshoe competition at the Anna Maria City Hall pits. Fourteen teams were whittled down to three who posted perfect 3-0 pool play records to advance to the playoffs.

The first playoff game saw the team of Norm Good and John Crawford blitz the team of Steve Doyle and Bob Hawks by a 21-2 score. The final match saw Rod Bussey and Sam Samuels battle gamely, but eventually losing to Good and Crawford 21-16.

Eleven teams vied for the trophy on Jan. 17, but the team of Rod Busey and Sam Samuels was the only team with a 3-0 pool-play record, ensuring they couldn't lose in the finals.

Five teams battled it out for second place with Charlie Apuzzo and Bob Lee emerging to claim runners-up honors.

Play gets under way at 9 a.m. every Wednesday and Saturday at the Anna Maria City Hall pits. Warmups begin at 8:45 a.m. followed by random team selection. There is no charge to play and everyone is welcome.

Basketball standings as of Jan. 18

Team	Wins	Losses
Premier Division		
Ralph's	2	1
IRE	1	1
WCAC	1	2
Division I		
Paradise	2	0
Oyster Bar	1	1
Danziger	1	2
Cycles	1	2
Division II		
A&E	2	1
Dips	3	0
ReMax	1	2
Duncan	0	3
Division III		
Ooh La La	2	1
Kumon	3	0
Jessie's	1	1
Ross Dev.	0	2
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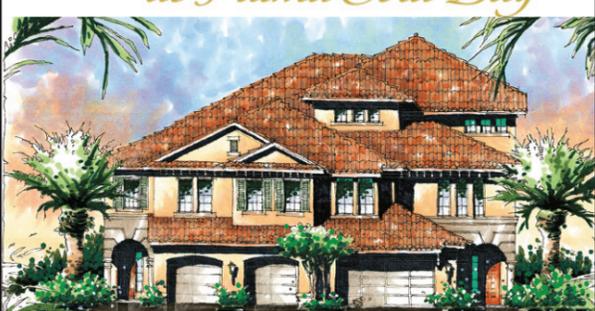
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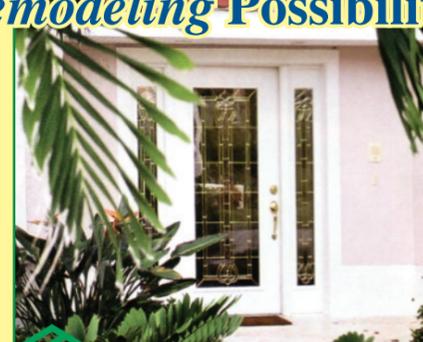
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- 6 Mary Kay rival
- 10 See 64-Down
- 14 Corroborator, maybe
- 19 Drink
- 20 Ill humor
- 21 Online initialism
- 22 Parts of a routine
- 23 Hat with a plume
- 24 Steady, say
- 25 Family-gathering time
- 26 One year's record
- 27 Like shoes made in St. Louis and finished in New Orleans?
- 31 "Bambi" character
- 32 Tops
- 33 2001's "Oceans Eleven" and others
- 34 Matching
- 35 Bear witness
- 38 Fauna
- 40 Listing
- 42 Part of a parka
- 43 Detroit's Joe Louis
- 44 "Gr-r-ross!"
- 45 Old pigskin org.
- 46 Got a facial piercing?

Answers to this week's puzzle on page 32

DOWN

- 51 Danger to divers
- 54 Birthplace of the Cyrillic alphabet
- 56 Dressing room door figure
- 57 "Funny Girl" composer
- 59 Dadaist Max
- 60 Flips
- 63 Acclaim
- 64 Got by
- 66 Crooks on golf courses
- 67 Kind of iron
- 68 Moon of Uranus
- 69 Diver's hose
- 70 "Blood and Fire" for the Salvation Army
- 71 Certain finish
- 72 Break
- 73 Bread-for-cake event?
- 76 Tie indicator
- 77 Played tenpins in officers' uniforms?
- 82 Good deal
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- 86 Fair shelter
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- 89 Pinkish yellow
- 92 Deepen
- 94 Home paper
- 95 Freshly consider
- 97 French word of approval
- 98 Sacrifice fly stat

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- 1 Chuck
- 2 Parrot
- 3 SeaWorld frolicker
- 4 Silt locale
- 5 Some terminals
- 6 Superior's title
- 7 Pleasant hotel room feature
- 8 Pearl Buck heroine
- 9 Elementary particle
- 10 Screening locale
- 11 Making no value judgments
- 12 Some oil barons
- 13 Work out
- 14 Close to closed
- 15 First name in horror
- 16 Comment about suddenly thinner mares?

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- 17 Small topper
- 18 Easter, e.g.
- 28 Schedule-shifting syst.
- 29 Atlas, e.g.
- 30 Opera singer Simon ___
- 34 Pampering, for short
- 35 Starring role for John Barrymore and Gregory Peck
- 36 Good source of protein
- 37 Rang true?
- 38 Painter's calculation
- 39 Actor Beatty
- 41 They just scrape the surface
- 43 Made a touchdown
- 44 Knight's time
- 46 Place to get a grip
- 47 Estimator's phrase
- 48 City north of Cologne
- 49 Oater transport
- 50 Is off guard
- 52 It has two carbons
- 53 ___-majesté
- 55 Say hey to
- 58 University of Massachusetts
- 60 "Blame It on the Bossa Nova" singer, 1963
- 61 Like some bodies on a beach
- 62 Samuel's teacher, in the Bible

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- 74 Dragged out
- 75 Female name ending
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- 81 "My man!"
- 84 Little League coach, often

- 86 "Message received"
- 87 Nimble
- 88 Distant cloud
- 89 Fifth-century invader
- 90 Avant-garde composer Glass
- 91 Finished, as dishes
- 92 Game piece
- 93 Worker for tips
- 96 Sell online

- 97 Clean up, in a way
- 99 Mercury and Mars
- 100 Grant's birthplace
- 101 Magazine contents
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