

The Islander

The Best News on Anna Maria Island Since 1992

www.islander.org



Lee Greenwood adds patriotic note to Center Affaire. Page 12.



Skimming the news ...



Turtle season to begin. Page 8

Emergency hearing held on records request. Page 4



Stoltzfus recall gains support, opposition stiffens. Page 5

PAR preliminary plan approved. Page 9

BB commissioners discuss permit delays. Page 14

School AME book, science fair held. Page 18

Streetlife Island police blotter. Page 20

ISLANDER CALENDAR
What to do and where. Page 22



Robinson to open visitor center. Page 23



Volleyball players flock to the beach. Page 24

Fishing: Tarpon to invade. Page 25



Island Biz
Benefits, anniversaries and transactions. Page 26



Coastal classwork
Students at the Children's Academy of SW Florida arrive to the Moose Lodge No. 2188 in Bradenton Beach ready to clean up the nearby Gulf of Mexico beach. *Islander*
Photo: Courtesy Pamela Graetzer

Quam kills ROR moratorium in Anna Maria

By Rick Catlin
Islander Reporter

Anna Maria Commission Chair John Quam may have kept the city out of trouble — and helped avoid a lawsuit and an unnecessary moratorium.

When discussion of a proposed moratorium on building permits and site plans in the retail-office-residential district came up at the commission's April 22 meeting, Quam acted quickly to introduce a counter-proposal.



Quam

The issue has been about "backing out across a sidewalk," which is illegal in Manatee County, he observed.

Instead of a moratorium, just amend the

city's parking ordinance — Chapter 90 — with specific language to eliminate back-out parking across the sidewalk onto the road in the ROR, he suggested. The commission would then proceed with the planning board to get a "workable parking plan" in the ROR, Quam added.

The idea caught on with his colleagues, including Commissioner Harry Stoltzfus, who had long argued for a moratorium.

"It's no secret I've been trying to get Chapter 90 changed. If we can achieve that without a moratorium, I'm for it," Stoltzfus said.

Stoltzfus said the amendment should apply immediately.

City attorney Jim Dye said it could if the commission adopts a specific effective date. The amendment could be back-dated to when the commission began discussing parking safety on Pine Avenue.

Projects that were submitted after the effective date could be considered "in flux," he said.

Quam's suggestion was good enough for the other commissioners.

Because the ROR moratorium was an agenda item and not a proposed ordinance, it died quietly when the commission voted 5-0 to amend Chapter 90 and begin preparing a new parking plan for Pine Avenue.

Quam's plan was appealing to Mike Coleman of Pine Avenue Restoration LLC. The company's Pine Avenue projects have been the subject of many commission debates and some current city legal issues.

"We are interested in the best long-term outcome for Pine Avenue and our city," Coleman said.

If the commission can produce a rational **PLEASE SEE MORATORIUM, NEXT PAGE**

Tourism posts March gain

By Rick Catlin
Islander Reporter

Tourism on Anna Maria Island showed a 5 percent gain in March compared with the same month last year, according to figures just released by the Bradenton Area Convention and Visitors Bureau.

Occupancy of surveyed Island accommodation units was 86.9 percent in March 2010, up from 82.7 percent for March 2009.

The figures for March this year were slightly behind the 88.9 percent occupancy reported in March 2008, but ahead of the 84.7 percent for March 2007.

But the Island's tourist season may have been even better than the figures show.

Anna Maria Island Chamber of Commerce president Mary Ann Brockman said the BACVB only reports on 28 percent of Island accommodation units and does not track vacation-rental homes.

Property managers on the Island surveyed in February and March reported near 100 percent occupancy for their units, and

many tourism-based businesses said March of this year was the best season in the past decade.

Accommodation units do pay the tourism tax, and the \$847,600 collected by the BACVB through March 2010 was 8.5 percent ahead of the \$780,685 collected for the same reporting period at this time last year.

At the same time, Island accommodation owners and managers were giving visitors "value for dollar," said David Teitelbaum of the Tradewinds, Tortuga Club and SeaSide Resort.

The average daily rate on Anna Maria Island for March 2010 was \$177.96, down 2.9 percent from the \$183.38 average in March 2009. March is the most active month for Island tourism and the highest daily-rate average of any month occurs in March.

According to the BACVB, the Bradenton area had 152,100 visitors between January and March 2010, a 3.8 percent increase from the same three months in 2009, when 146,500 visitors were recorded.

Commissioner speaks out on spending

By Nick Walter
Islander Reporter

Holmes Beach Commissioner Al Robinson called the project "asinine."

But Robinson, speaking at the April 19 Island Transportation Planning Organization meeting at Holmes Beach City Hall, was not concerned with the 209 foxtail trees planned for the intersection of East Bay Drive and



Robinson

Manatee Avenue. He was concerned the \$697,000 price tag.

Holmes Beach Mayor Rich Bohnenberger agreed, calling the amount "exuberant."

However, the project includes new signal arms

PLEASE SEE SPENDING, NEXT PAGE

MORATORIUM CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

parking plan that is “consistent with the comp plan objectives to encourage mixed-use, that does not diminish property rights, we will endorse that plan, both for our existing and future developments,” he said.

“Chairman Quam took an encouraging first step in leading the city toward unity on this issue.”

Moratorium for Walker estate

A moratorium in Anna Maria is not a completely dead issue.

Commissioners agreed to a suggestion from Dye to begin a moratorium process to halt construction in the conservation land-use category — beachfront from the southern city limit northward to Bean Point — in the comprehensive plan while the city examines language and decides on the intent. The comp plan prohibits development in that land-use category, he said.

The issue came up when Richard Friday sued the city to stop construction of the Banyan Tree Estate project on the Walker property on Park Street, Dye said. The Walker property is in the conservation land-use area and the city has approved a site-plan for Banyan Tree Estates.

Dye said the moratorium gives the city a “time-out” while it sorts out the issues. He also said that the situation already has resulted in one lawsuit, but if the city acts to resolve the conflicting land use, the other party is likely to sue the city for its development rights.

City hall closing

In other business, Mayor Fran Barford said the staff is “overwhelmed” with more 32 public records requests since March 10. As a result, some city business has fallen behind.

“We need to get our business done,” she said.

To catch up on all the records requests and other city business, the mayor said the clerk’s office will close to the public on Friday, April 30, as well as May



Anna Maria city clerk Alice Baird recently celebrated 10 years service to the city. Mayor Fran Barford presented Baird and deputy clerk Diane Percycoe with a proclamation, recognizing them during Municipal City Clerks Week May 2-8.

7 and May 14.

City staff will be working and the building department will be open to the public for its normal hours, she said.

Barford also noted the rising cost and increase in the number of meetings the past three months for which consultants were required to attend.

City treasurer Diane Percycoe said the city is already over its budget for consultant fees for the 2009-10 fiscal year.

New permit fees

The commission adopted new permit fees, including a building permit fee that will be based on valuation and not a flat rate, building official Bob Welch said.

Stoltzfus noted that the \$900 fee plus \$20 for every \$1,000 of valuation for a building permit works out to 2 percent.

In other business, the commission agreed to further discussions about moving the start date for qualifying for a city office from Sept. 15 to June 9 to save between \$4,000 and \$5,000 during state primary election years.

Manatee County wants the June date to put Anna Maria candidates on its ballot, which is printed the day after the primary election. The city can opt out of the June deadline if it pays for its own ballot, Percycoe said, but that cost is \$4,000-\$5,000.

SPENDING CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

and traffic lights at the intersection in addition to landscaping. After the Manatee-Sarasota Metropolitan Planning Organization released its five-year program in December, Holmes Beach benefitted from funding for beautification associated with the project: Plants and trees added from the intersection south on East Bay Drive to 31st Street, including 42 palms, a crape myrtle, 96 beach sunflowers and a mulch tree.

City commissioners must agree to reject the funding for the project. If funds are rejected, they would be passed on to other statewide transportation or beautification projects.

“I don’t think it’s even possible to do all the planting they’re talking about,” Bohnenberger said.

In April 2009, Holmes Beach Police Chief Jay Romine announced to the city commission that the DOT had agreed to install stronger mast arms and heavier signal equipment at the intersection.

The new mast arms, however, were not scheduled for installation until 2010, when other improvements were scheduled to take place on East Bay and Gulf drives in the city. The beautification is part of those planned improvements.

The city’s parks and beautification committee already expressed its displeasure with the price and quantity of trees. At the committee’s Jan. 6 meeting, member Melissa Snyder said, “Basically, it’s a beautification plan and, in that plan, there’s no beautification. Just one kind of tree for miles.”

In other business, MPO executive director Michael Howe said there are no other Island projects represented on the MPO’s 17-project waiting list.

Click!

The Islander welcomes photographs and notices of the milestones in readers’ lives — weddings, anniversaries, travels and other events. Please send notices and photographs with detailed captions — along with complete contact information — to news@islander.org or 5404 Marina Drive, Holmes Beach FL 34217.

THE WATERFRONT RESTAURANT
 Exceptional Cuisine • World Class Wine • Unique Lagers & Ales
 Overlooking Tampa Bay and The Gulf of Mexico

Baked Brie

Northern Tip Of Anna Maria Island
 Across From The City Pier
 111 South Bay Boulevard
 Anna Maria Island : 941-778-1515

Lunch: Every Day 11:30am-4:00pm
 Dinner: Sun-Thurs 4:30pm-9pm
 Fri & Sat 4:30pm-10pm
www.thewaterfrontrestaurant.net

\$29.95 sqft
3CM GRANITE
 Template, fabrication & installation
45 sqft minimum
 OFFER GOOD WHILE SUPPLIES LAST

EUROSTONE
 MARBLE & GRANITE

Visit our Showroom at 601 6th Avenue West, Downtown Bradenton
 Open Mon-Fri 8am-5pm • Sat. By Appointment Only

941-747-5000

MARBLE • GRANITE • ONYX • TRAVERTINE • QUARTZ
 COUNTERTOPS • FLOORING • BACKSPLASH • QUALITY INSTALLATION

Old Salt fish tourney poses 'significant impact'

By Rick Catlin
Islander Reporter

Sgt. Dave Turner of the Manatee County Sheriff's Office Anna Maria substation wrote Mayor Fran Barford a memo last week indicating that the fishing tournament at Galati Marine planned May 27-30 will "have a significant impact" on city roads and on residents' "way of life."

Turner made his comments to the mayor outlining his plans and suggestions if the city commission approves a permit for the event.

"With a little patience and understanding, we can make this a good celebration for everyone," he said.

MCSO Deputy Steve Stewart presented Turner's plans and recommendations to the commission at its April 22 meeting. The commission approved the tournament and Turner's plan.

The event may draw more than 1,000 participants and bring a great deal of business and notoriety to Anna Maria, Turner said. Proceeds from the tournament will go to All Children's Hospital in St. Petersburg.

In his review of the tournament proposal, Turner found that the Old Salt Fishing Foundation has held similar fishing tournaments and expositions in Pinellas County, particularly in Madeira Beach.

"Most of their tournaments through the city of Madeira Beach and with the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office go well run and smoothly," Turner said.

But the event will "have an impact" on Anna Maria, "its way of life, traffic, infrastructure and nearby residents," he added.

Turner said he and his deputies will do everything possible to minimize impacts of the event by taking a "common sense" approach to the site venue, organization and administration.



The Loop All Release Billfishing Tournament will be May 27-31 at Galati Yacht Sales of Anna Maria and will feature parties, fishing and awards.

On the plus side, Turner said holding the event at the end of a dead-end street — South Bay Boulevard — makes traffic enforcement, relocation and flow "somewhat easier."

Turner said he will use only deputies assigned to the city because they are familiar with residents along South Bay Boulevard and adjacent streets.

The city's curbside drinking ordinance will be strictly enforced, he said, and Galati will be required to provide a specific serving and consumption area on its property.

Turner suggested the city issue placards to residents before the tournament to help deputies identify residents and spectators.

Turner said a "normal event fee" should be charged because of the event's impact.

Traffic assistants will be provided by Galati and Old Salt to assist deputies, and any music should cease at 10 p.m. to comply with the city's noise ordinance.

Any additional cost for MCSO deputies will be covered by Old Salt, Turner said.

Meetings

Anna Maria City

- April 29, 6 p.m., joint city commission-planning and zoning board.
- May 12, 6:30 p.m., environmental enhancement education committee.
- May 13, 7 p.m., city commission.
Anna Maria City Hall, 10005 Gulf Drive, 941-708-6130, www.cityofannamaria.com.

Bradenton Beach

- May 6, 1 p.m., city pier team.
- May 6, 7 p.m., city commission.
- May 13, 1 p.m., city commission.
Bradenton Beach City Hall, 107 Gulf Drive N., 941-778-1005, www.cityofbradentonbeach.org.

Holmes Beach

- May 5, 5 p.m., parks and beautification committee.
- May 11, 7 p.m., city commission.
- May 20, 10 a.m., code enforcement board.
- May 25, 7 p.m., city commission.
Holmes Beach City Hall, 5801 Marina Drive, 941-708-5800, www.holmesbeachfl.org.

West Manatee Fire Rescue District

- May 20, 6 p.m., district commission.
WMFR Station No. 1, 6001 Marina Drive, Holmes Beach, 941-741-3900.

Of Interest

- April 29, 4 p.m., Sarasota/Manatee Metropolitan Planning Organization workshop, Bradenton Municipal Auditorium, 1005 Barcarrota Blvd., Bradenton.
- May 10, 9 a.m., Manatee County Tourist Development Council, Holmes Beach City Hall.
- May 11, 9 a.m., Manatee County Board of Commissioners, County Administrative Building, 1200 Manatee Ave. N., Bradenton.
- May 31 is Memorial Day.
Send notices to Lisa Neff at lisaneff@islander.org.

BEACH BISTRO

**ZAGAT'S Top Restaurants
in America – "Best in Florida"**

Surfside ... Anna Maria Island 941-778-6444 www.BeachBistro.com

Emergency hearing for AM records brief, direct

By Rick Catlin

Islander Reporter

Both sides could claim victory in an emergency hearing in the Manatee Circuit Court April 21 requested by attorney Valerie Fernandez in a public records request against Anna Maria Commissioner



Stoltzfus

Harry Stoltzfus and planning and zoning board member Jim Conoly.

Conoly was excused from the case. Stoltzfus did not have to surrender his computer. Fernandez obtained a court order against Stoltzfus.

Fernandez, on behalf of public records consultant Michael Barfield — both retained by Pine Avenue Restoration LLC — sought the emergency hearing to ask Judge Stephen Dakan to seize Stoltzfus' computer to ensure that any e-mails relating to public business that might still be on the computer are not deleted.

After nearly 90 minutes of testimony and legal wrangling, Dakan said he didn't have enough time that day to hear both sides and grant Fernandez what she requested.

His authority over the case was only for that day, he said.

Instead of seizing the computer, Dakan issued an order directing Stoltzfus not to "transfer custody of the computer" or "alter or delete or dispose" of any information on the computer until directed by the court.

Fernandez was prepared to introduce a computer expert to testify how e-mails could inadvertently be deleted by continued use of a computer. But Dakan said that if Fernandez proceeded, he would have to allow attorney Richard Harrison, representing Stoltzfus, time to gather his own expert witness, and that wasn't going to happen that day.

Dakan said his understanding was that this was a case of preserving records, not seizing a computer.

"This is serious business," the judge said, and the "facts are in dispute."

Fernandez said she wanted the computer seized because Stoltzfus has a history of deleting e-mails.

Also, on several occasions, Stoltzfus delivered requested e-mails to Anna Maria city clerk Alice Baird and told her that "this should do it," only to come back another day with more e-mails, she said.

On March 10, Barfield had sent a public records request to Stoltzfus and Conoly requesting copies of the e-mails on their private computers that pertained to city business.

Fernandez said Stoltzfus did not deliver his e-mails in a timely manner and Barfield had to make several subsequent records requests to Stoltzfus after March 10. Fernandez told Dakan she also



Fernandez

was concerned that continued use of Stoltzfus' personal computer could result in deletion of relevant e-mails contained on the hard drive that have not yet been submitted as public records.

Harrison argued that his client submitted e-mails about public business to Baird in a timely manner and that the city has no policy or definition of "a timely manner."

Conoly seeks, gets settlement

Anna Maria Planning and Zoning Board member Jim Conoly was excused from the April 21 hearing in the ongoing public records dispute that began with a request for his e-mails March 10. He signed an agreement prepared by attorney Valerie Fernandez, representing Michael Barfield and Pine Avenue Restoration LLC.

Fernandez had filed for an emergency hearing to ask the court to seize the computers of both Conoly and Commissioner Harry Stoltzfus because it was believed the production of records was insufficient, and Conoly had waived on how he disposed of his hard drive.



Conoly

Fernandez said the agreement calls for Conoly to allow a forensic examination of his computer and any e-mail records stored on the server of his online e-mail host. When that process is completed, any possible complaint against him by her clients will be eliminated.

He further claimed Barfield had not shown up April 21 when requested to appear for a deposition



Barfield

and that Fernandez was stalling for time. Harrison also disputed the need for an emergency hearing to preserve any public records.

Dakan had to leave the hearing in mid-session to hear a jury verdict in another courtroom.

The 30-minute break put the hearing behind schedule, and Dakan said he was not going to be able to issue a full ruling in the time remaining, and he had authority over the case only for that day.

"You have done nothing wrong, and I apologize," Dakan told Fernandez.

Harrison said his client would accept a ruling that Stoltzfus had to adhere to the requirements of the Florida statute on preserving public records. Stoltzfus planned to do that anyway, Harrison indicated.

"We want to preserve the records," Harrison said.

Fernandez reluctantly agreed, and Dakan said he would make it a signed order.

Dakan said that if Stoltzfus violated any part of the court order, he could be charged with contempt.

After the hearing, Barfield said he considered the ruling a victory. "The court put Stoltzfus on notice not to delete any further e-mails or face a contempt charge," he said.

Fernandez said she had no plans to seek another emergency hearing but she and her client are considering other options.

Harrison said the decision was a win for his client. "Any time the other side doesn't get what they want, it's a victory," he said.

"We have no problems" with the court's order, he added. "We were going to do that anyway. What they were asking for was extreme."

Hearing on unknown topic

Attorney Ricinda Perry, representing Pine Avenue Restoration LLC, said she has hearing time scheduled for 3 p.m. to 3:15 p.m. Friday, May 7, in the Manatee County Circuit Court but the subject has not yet been announced.

and see those buildings, do they speak "restoration" to you?

William Chable, Anna Maria

Falsehoods, intimidation

Florida Statute 100.361 gives the electors of a municipality the right to sign a recall petition and the right to vote in a recall election. These are the same electors who voted Harry Stoltzfus into office. The will of the people rules.

This is democracy at its finest.

Despite Mr. Stoltzfus' and his collaborators' attempts to change the subject, this is about right and wrong and the actions of an elected official while in office. He has not once addressed the issue of his participation in lawsuits against our city while at the same time conspiring to hide his role from the voters who elected him. The people have the right to know why he tried to deceive them and we hope he will address that issue in his defensive statement as part of the recall process.

Now, in an apparent attempt to mislead voters, comes the outrageous threat that electors who sign the petition and become a member of the recall committee (which every signer is), will be subject to public records requests. One phone call to the Florida Attorney General's office confirms this is false. This pattern of stating falsehoods as if they were true has been employed in an attempt to intimidate voters.

Mr. Stoltzfus called his own election a "watershed" event. He and his supporters continue to remind us "the voters have spoken." His actions and words

since then could mean everything he has ever voted on can be invalidated. Every vote he makes puts our city in possible financial jeopardy.

Mr. Stoltzfus, even a great leader knows when it's time to step down for the greater good. In the meantime, the voters are speaking again and attempts at intimidation and misinformation should stop in honor of that sacred process.

Bob Carter, recall committee chair, Anna Maria

24-hour notice, please

To Commissioner Harry Stoltzfus: Like so many other people here on the Island, I have been reading your e-mails as published in the local newspapers.

I can honestly say that my heart goes out to you, as I can't imagine the anguish you must be experiencing at this time.

If you do follow through on your idea of blocking all of the parking spaces on Pine Avenue, I must respectfully request that you give the residents and business owners at least 24 hours notice of this blockade. Many of my patients come to the office using canes, crutches, walkers, wheelchairs and other assistive devices.

Also, should you decide to go ahead and bulldoze our buildings, I would probably need more than 24 hours notice to remove all medical records, equipment and supplies from our office.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter and your dedicated service to our community.

Clare Starrett, Island Podiatry, Anna Maria

Your Opinion

Tipping point

What is facing us is not a conflict among the residents of Anna Maria. The issue involves citizens against a machine with the sole goal of profiting from indiscriminate growth.

I don't want to call that machine PAR. It's more than that. So I'll call it the machine "Profiteers."

Michael Barfield didn't show up by chance, nor did he come with a noble agenda. His goal is money, and he came to serve the Profiteers.

One of our Island newspapers is a willing participant. Should they run true to form, the next edition will probably claim Harry Stoltzfus was seen buying a bulldozer.

Stoltzfus is a good man. He did not become a commissioner to make money, and certainly not to destroy any buildings.

It was recently announced that Bob Carter had sponsored a recall petition against Stoltzfus. I understand he is intelligent and financially successful. No intelligent person could make the decision that Stoltzfus should be recalled based on the comments that have been offered in the local paper, Barfield's accusations and actually little more. That tells me that Carter is another ally of the Profiteers.

A question for residents: The "R" in PAR stands for restoration. When you drive along Pine

Stoltzfus recall gains support, opposition stiffens

By Rick Catlin
Islander Reporter

The first day members of the Recall Commissioner Stoltzfus committee began taking signatures in Anna Maria, committee members quickly learned two things: People want to talk about Stoltzfus and people are unhappy about what is happening in the city.

Committee member Cathy Carter, whose husband Bob Carter is the recall committee chair, said she got some signatures early April 22, the first day the petition began circulating.



Cathy Carter

Janet Aubry went to several houses on the north end of Anna Maria during the day and found that, of the people who were home, "everybody wanted to talk about it," she said.

She obtained 10 signatures and spoke with two people who supported Stoltzfus in the November 2009 election who now say they are "disappointed" with the commissioner.

"They told me to come back and that they were going to think about signing," Aubry said.

Another person signed quickly, Aubry said, and asked what she could do to help the committee.

"I told her to help us circulate the petition and she's going to help. I think as we find more and more people to sign, we'll get more and more volunteers."

Aubry said everybody wants to talk about the issue, the lawsuit, the e-mail messages and about what's going to happen to Anna Maria.

Sandy Mattick said she had 31 signatures by Thursday evening and found a lot of support for the effort.

"People are very concerned, including some sup-



Bob Carter

porters who feel they were misled and lied to during (Stoltzfus') campaign. They are worried that people will see their names, but they signed anyway. And a lot of people are worried about the future of the city," she said.

Some people are concerned about retaliation if their name appears on the petition, Mattick said.

"I've talked to a few people who were actually afraid to sign, but their reaction to the petition was positive," she said.

By Sunday evening, April 25, the recall committee had obtained 124 signatures.

But not everyone in Anna Maria is pleased with the petition. Supporters of Stoltzfus have begun displaying placards on their vehicles and in their home windows proclaiming "Stoltzfus Supporter."

If the petition is successful and the Manatee County Supervisor of Elections schedules a recall election, more legal action may be ahead for Anna Maria and its residents.

Attorney Richard Harrison of Tampa, representing Stoltzfus, notified the city April 26 that Stoltzfus "will seek reimbursement from the city of all attorneys fees, costs and legal expenses incurred by him in defense of this recall effort."

Other Stoltzfus supporters have written letters of support, including one from resident Terry Schaefer to *The Islander*.

Schaefer said the recall committee was an "attempt to usurp the judicial process," calling it "renegade, vigilante justice."

He called upon committee members to identify themselves and said they are subject to the Florida Sunshine Law and public records laws.

However, according to attorney Alexis Lambert with the Florida Attorney General's office, recall peti-



Above: Sandy Mattick displays a "Recall Stoltzfus Petition." Right: A sign in Charles Daniels' electric car window. Islander Photo: Rick Catlin



tion committee members are not considered "public officials," because they do not transact official public business and, therefore, are "not subject to the Sunshine Law."

Once the signatures of those who signed the petition are verified as registered voters and the petition is accepted by the elections office, the petition itself becomes a public document, Lambert said.

Even after the petition becomes a public document, people who signed are not subject to the Sunshine Law because they were not appointed to a committee conducting official public business, she said.

All those who sign the petition are considered members of the recall committee.

Mother's Day OPEN HOUSE

Join us for a
Special Tribute
to all Moms!

5 to 8PM
Thursday ★ May 6

Refreshments
and Hors d'oeuvres
Music by Larry Wilhelm
Raffle
Cubic Zirconia Ring Sale
David Yurman Replicas
Trunk Show of Rings Special Price \$25
Special Discounts
Gifts for each mom on arrival.

Bridge Street Interiors

114 Bridge St. • Bradenton Beach
941-782-1130 • www.bridgestreetinteriors.com

Skinny's Place

Wishes Grandma Skinny A Very Happy 93rd Birthday!!

Grandma was born on April 30, 1917 in a small town, Ogden, Ill. She grew up and went to school with Grandpa Skinny - they were married in 1936, and set off for Florida on their honeymoon with \$50, at the age of 19. That's when they discovered Anna Maria Island! When they built their little place, the roads were sand/shell, there wasn't any Manatee Avenue Bridge, few people inhabited the island, and everyone thought they were crazy. But they had a sense for adventure — and the rest is history. The little place named after Grandpa's nickname has become an island landmark. We thank Grandma for her courage, character, wisdom, perseverance and sense of humor. She is truly CLASSIC.

WE LOVE YOU.

Your family, friends & everyone at Skinny's.



Great Burgers (VOTED # 1) Frosted mugs...
778-7769 • www.floridasecrets.com
Open 7 days - Through June 28
3901 Gulf Dr. • Holmes Beach
Across from Manatee Public Beach on A.M.I • Eat in/take out

Our Opinion

Hrrrrrrrrumpf

One thing that really raises the blood pressure around *The Islander* office is a limit put by one person or entity on another's freedoms. We're not lawyers, and we're not even experts, but we're certainly sensitive to the topic.

This past week brought just one of those sensitivities to the forefront when we learned the owners/operators of Cafe on the Beach at the Manatee Public Beach were reprimanded for a petition that's circulating — and available at our office — asking county commissioners to keep Cafe on the beach operating.

Apparently, a purchasing official believes the petition violates a lobbying prohibition found in the Manatee County request-for-proposal procedures that bidders must abide.

A letter to P.S. Beach Associates and owner Dee Schaefer from Rob Cuthbert states that from issuance of the RFP through the final contract, the code "prohibits offerors, or their agents, representatives or persons acting at the request of same, from communicating with or discussing any matter relating to the solicitation, with any county officer, agent or employee other than the purchasing officer."

We can't really speak for Dee and Gene Schaefer or their partners and attorneys, but we know a citizen working to retain them as beach concessionaires initiated the petition.

The petitioners were allowed to post signs and solicit names at the beach. But they are neither Dee and Gene, nor their agents.

We've had people come to our office to sign the petition to keep the concession, and we have seen a large number of letters and online comments posted on behalf of the cafe.

And aren't we fully within our rights to do this?

Have we solicited our opinions to county elected officials or staff?

Well, yes.

There was a chance encounter with county administrator Ed Hunzeker by publisher Bonner Joy at a local restaurant, where she told Hunzeker she favored renewing the cafe contract.

He sharply replied with a diatribe concerning the Schaefer's having sold the restaurant contract, claiming they profited on the "backs of the public."

Ah, but the county gave them permission to contract that portion of their operation. And no one said they shouldn't profit from what they built up over the years.

So what sort of influence did he have over the three committee members who decided two weeks ago to negotiate with another bidder?

Maybe if the muzzle fits ...



'LOOKS LIKE THE FOCUS THIS WEEK IS ON THE CAFE.'

Your Opinion

Changes ahead, changes behind

I'm writing to the responses people are writing regarding the decision made about Cafe on the Beach. Yes, they have been there a long time and do a good job at what they do. But there is a saying, "Things change. Nothing ever stays the same."

I have been coming here on the Island for more than 20 years and have seen many changes. The laid-back aura of this Island has changed over the years.

All these people concerned about the laidback aura of this Island due to the possible departure of Cafe on the Beach — I hope they also speak up about what is going on on Pine Avenue.

It appears several people want to make this Island into a super center.

Well, everyone sit back and it will come true.

The laidback aura will just be a memory.

Jean Cross, who wrote a letter in *The Islander* April 21, couldn't have said it better, "I surrendered. I just couldn't face the changes, politics and loss of permanent residents.... Last one out, please run up the white flag."

I believe she sees what is happening here.

Some people want people like her to leave so they can make this Island into a Key West, Marco Island-type of place.

Dennis Stefanick, Holmes Beach and Silver Springs, N.Y.

Continuing the cafe conversation

When I heard that Cafe on the Beach might change hands, I couldn't believe the inequity of it.

If you recall, a few years back, Cafe on the Beach closed so that it might be renovated. We had no wonderful, fun place to go. And Dee and Gene Schaefer took it all in stride and did not grouse to the public.

Now they might lose all they have worked so hard to establish over the years — a happy place for natives and visitors to eat great food.

Personally, I love the fish and chips and the coconut shrimp.

I do not understand the preference of the three-person selection panel, which seemed to prefer to undo our Cafe on the Beach rather than add this new proposed venue to Coquina Beach. There appears to be unlimited parking at Coquina and enough room for the added toys that are planned by the new vendors.

Marsha Bloom, Bradenton Beach

Special place

When Dee and Gene Schaefer took over Cafe on the Beach 21 years ago there was no business. We can remember walking down the beach to the cafe in the morning and there would be a handful of customers having coffee and reading the paper.

There was no gift shop. It was not a fun place to go. We never took visitors there. Everything was so different. Several owners had tried but their small successes didn't last.

Through hard work, imagination and excellent business practices, Dee and Gene have built up the business. They have excellent employees and treat their employees well. They still have many employees who have stayed with them over these last 21 years.

No wonder so many people want to get on the bandwagon and share in the success this couple has earned.

Cafe on the Beach is well run, has excellent food, a friendly staff, great music in the evening and, in short, is perfect for our Holmes Beach setting and for the good folks of Manatee County. Just count the cars in the parking lot now. It is full to overflowing.

We don't want Key West.

I implore the county commissioners who want to stay in office to take a good look at what they're doing.

It's not broke. It's special. It doesn't need fixing. Leave it be.

D. Irene Flinn and Edward McIntyre, Holmes Beach

The Islander
 APRIL 28, 2010 • Vol. 18, No. 25

- ▼ **Publisher and Editor**
 Bonner Joy, bonner@islander.org
- ▼ **Editorial**
 Joe Bird
 Diana Bogan, diana@islander.org
 Kevin Cassidy, kevin@islander.org
 Rick Catlin, rick@islander.org
 Jack Elka, jack@jackelka.com
 Kimberly Kuizon, kimberly@islander.org
 Molly S. McCartney
 Lisa Neff, copy editor, lisaneff@islander.org
 Nick J. Walter, nick@islander.org
- ▼ **Contributors**
 Jesse Brisson
 Edna Tiemann
 Mike Quinn | NewsManatee.com
- ▼ **Advertising Sales**
 Toni Lyon, toni@islander.org
- ▼ **Accounting Services**
 accounting@islander.org
- ▼ **Production Graphics**
 Jon Sachtjen, ads@islander.org
 Kelley Sacco
- ▼ **Classifieds & Subscriptions**
 Lisa Williams, classifieds@islander.org
 subscriptions@islander.org
- ▼ **Distribution**
 Urbane Bouchet
 Ross Roberts
 Lisa Williams
 (All others: news@islander.org)

Single copies free. Quantities of five or more: 25 cents each.
 © 1992-2010 • Editorial, sales and production offices:
 Island Shopping Center, 5404 Marina Drive
 Holmes Beach FL 34217
 WEB SITE: www.islander.org
 PHONE 941-778-7978 toll-free fax 1-866-362-9821

Your Opinion

Quality cafe

I have been coming to Anna Maria Island since my kids were young.

We bought a property nine years ago, but are still far away from retiring on the island. We only get down once or twice a year because we own a Mexican restaurant in Wisconsin.

The people at Cafe on the Beach are the best.

I have dined there every chance I get and send my family, friends and guests to dine there as well. Everyone loves it.

Please compare apples to apples, and also give the current operation some extra credit for keeping it alive in these difficult economic times.

United Park Service is a corporation out of St. Petersburg, I prefer independent operators.

The cafe doesn't use "smoke and mirrors" to make things look better than they will be. If it isn't broke don't fix it.

Yahoo! I get my week on the Island in two days.

Mary Hanners, Wauwatosa, Wis.

Cafe regular

The last spring break of my employment we spent rainy days and evenings house-hunting. Finally we settled on Perico Island. It answered all the dreams I had of living by the world's best beach.

We've spent the winters here for 12 years, paying taxes in Manatee County and enjoying the privilege of living here. I went to the beach every day. I bought tea every day at Cafe on the Beach, ate lunch there at least two times a week, often ate dinner there with my husband, and always took my guests there for pancakes.

Now a county committee has decided to fully destroy the Holmes Beach that we love. They voted to make a Key West-style beach there.

Who wants a tiki hut?

Is this all in the name of business on Anna Maria Island for a greedy few?

And who will pay the bill for all the increased law enforcement, safety officers and equipment needed for this upkeep?

Looks like to me it'll be Manatee County taxpayers, who want none of this in the first place. The older people who reside here for peace and tranquility and who pay the county taxes will not be able to go near the beach for fear of their own safety.

Carolyn Kinzer, Bradenton

Sign the cafe petition

Dee Schaefer has operated a very successful shop and restaurant on Anna Maria Island in Florida for more than two decades. She and husband Gene took a dumpy snack bar and storage building and turned them into something rare in coastal Florida — peaceful, family-friendly, clean beaches with good, reasonably priced food and unique beach shopping. People come from all over the country to Anna Maria, and Dee is a local legend.

Soon the Manatee County Board of Commissioners will vote on whether or not to renew the Schaefer's lease. Signs point to the county not renewing the lease, and instead going with a company outside of the community, potentially destroying the old Florida feel of Anna Maria and ruining the livelihood of the Schaefer's and their partner in the restaurant, Tommy Vayias.

These local business people have treated beachgoers for decades, and have continued to thrive even through the present economic downturn. The commission's business decisions will hurt the area in numerous ways. "We're not looking for a handout, just a fair assessment; we want to continue to run what we built from nothing," Dee says.

You can make your voice heard by contacting county commission members and by participating www.petitiononline.com/SaveCafe/petition-sign.html.

Sherrie Shuler, Knoxville, Tenn.

The Islander 10 years ago

In the April. 26, 2000, issue of The Islander, headlines announced:

- The Bradenton Planning Commission unanimously approved a plan by Arvida Corp. to build an 868-unit condominium project and 30 single-family homes on north Perico Island, despite more than two hours of testimony from opponents. Arvida officials argued the level of service that Palma Sola Causeway provides would not decrease, despite the increase in residents. Bradenton annexed the property in 1999.

- The Galati family of Anna Maria sold its Galati Perico Harbor Marina at the east end of the Anna Maria Island Bridge for \$4 million to trucking magnate Bob Minor. Minor said he hoped to cash in on Arvida's planned housing project on land adjacent to the marina. Minor also changed the name to Perico Harbor Marina.

- Bradenton Beach police moved quickly at Coquina Beach on an Easter Sunday, confiscating about 12 cases of beer during an early morning patrol. The beach became so crowded in the afternoon that police closed off one parking lot, but there were no incidents of rowdy behavior and no arrests for drinking on the beach as during previous Easter Sundays.

TEMPS AND DROPS ON AMI

Date	Low	High	Rainfall
April 18	64	71	.11
April 19	63	81	0
April 20	62	80	trace
April 21	65	77	trace
April 22	61	79	0
April 23	59	83	0
April 24	65	83	.01

Average Gulf water temperature 80°
24-hour rainfall accumulation with reading at approximately 5 p.m. daily.

We'd love to mail you the news!

We mail *The Islander* weekly for a nominal \$54 per year. It's the best way to stay in touch with what's happening on Anna Maria Island. We've been publishing and mailing successfully since 1992!

We bring you all the news about three city governments, community happenings, people features and special events ... even the latest real estate transactions ... everything you need if your "heart is on the Island."

The Islander is distributed free locally. If you don't live here year-round, use this form to subscribe for yourself or someone else. (Sorry, we do not suspend mail subscriptions — you get the news free while you're here!)

BULK MAIL U.S. SUBSCRIPTION (allow 2 weeks for every week's delivery)

7 months-1 year: \$54 3-6 Months: \$36 1-3 Months: \$24

U.S. FIRST CLASS AND CANADIAN SUBSCRIPTION

7 months-1 year: \$160 3-6 Months: \$98 1-3 Months: \$54

Single Issue: \$5 FIRST CLASS MAIL, U.S. ONLY, maximum four weeks

Rates to Europe or other countries available on request.

MAIL TO: _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

Credit card: No. _____

Name shown on card: _____ Exp. Date _____

Credit card billing address: _____

MAIL START DATE: _____

The Islander

THE BEST NEWS ON ANNA MARIA ISLAND – SINCE 1992
Island Shopping Center • 5404 Marina Drive • Holmes Beach FL 34217

CHARGE BY PHONE 941.778.7978
ONLINE (secure server) www.islander.org
E-MAIL subscriptions@islander.org

VOTED TOP-10 FISH RESTAURANT BY SARASOTA MAGAZINE!

**Lots of Florida
ATMOSPHERE!
Lots of Florida
RECIPES!
Lots of SEATING
available!**



\$9.99 ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT SPECIALS
PASTA • CHICKEN • STIR FRY • FISH & CHIPS
SENIOR SPECIALS STARTING AT \$4.99

ROTTEN RALPH'S
The Original Waterfront Restaurant

Lunch • Dinner • Full Bar
902 S. Bay Blvd • Anna Maria
778-3953 • Open Every Day

Free Wi-Fi



ROTTEN RALPH'S
on the Historic Bridge Street Pier

Breakfast • Lunch • Dinner • Beer/Wine
200 Bridge St. • Bradenton Beach
Open every day • 778-1604

Live shrimp at the bait shop!



As always... Free Beer Tomorrow

All set for May morning turtle patrols

By Lisa Neff
Islander Reporter

Sunscreen? Check.
Cell phone? Check.
Flags? Check.

Anna Maria Island Turtle Watch walkers begin patrolling the beach May 1, the official start of the sea turtle nesting season in Florida.

Walkers, at the start of the season, will be looking for signs that a female sea turtle crawled ashore to nest or attempted to nest.

Later, walkers also will look for signs that hatchlings emerged from nests and crawled to the Gulf of Mexico, or, on a small section on the northeast side of the Island, to the bay.

The walkers assembled with their section coordinators and AMITW executive director Suzi Fox for a 2010 nesting season orientation meeting April 22 — Earth Day — at Holmes Beach City Hall.

With most of the attendees veteran walkers and coordinators, the meeting took less than an hour — about 40 minutes for Fox to discuss AMITW's mission and the rules set forth in federal and state guidelines and another 15 minutes for walkers to check in with their section coordinators and collect supplies.

Walkers left with the flags they will use to mark turtle nests, as well as a recommendation from Fox



Anna Maria Island Turtle Watch executive director Suzi Fox, right, distributes nesting season supplies to coordinators during an April 22 meeting at Holmes Beach City Hall. Islander Photo: Lisa Neff

to be prepared on their designated patrol days with sunscreen, a cell phone and a notebook.

"We've always thought this was neat," said veteran walker Howard Rosenbecker of Bradenton, who shares his Saturday morning patrol duty with wife Sara.

Coordinators, who supervise volunteers and oversee data collection for nine sections on the Island, also left with supplies — notebooks with blank data sheets, tape measures, gloves and buckets decorated by fourth- and fifth-grade students at Orange Ridge-Bullock Elementary School, where AMITW walker Marie Masferrer is a library media specialist.

"Suzi got me hooked," said Masferrer, who has shared her enthusiasm for turtle watch and nesting sea turtles with Orange Ridge students.

In addition to decorating the coordinator buckets, which are used to carry supplies but also, in an emergency, to collect disoriented hatchling turtles, the students, working with Masferrer and an Orange Ridge art teacher, will create educational AMITW signs to be posted at beach accesses and other locations on the Island.

Nesting season, the Orange Ridge students are learning and walkers are well aware, runs from May 1 through October on Florida beaches.

The turtles most common to Anna Maria Island are loggerheads. The female loggerhead crawls ashore two or more times a season to lay 100-150 white, golf ball-sized eggs in a deep cavity she digs in the sand with her flippers. After filling the nest she

crawls back to the sea.

The eggs incubate for about eight weeks, when the hatchlings emerge and scamper toward the ocean, facing a horde of predators. Few survive their first year.

AMITW collects data on nesting, as do a number of other groups around the state, which is used by government agencies to set policy and decide projects.

Fox, last week, reminded walkers of their official role.

But she also encouraged them to "have a good time out there."

"When we are on that beach in the morning, it's a gift," she said.



This rare scene, a daylight nesting by a loggerhead on the shore near White Sands Resort in Holmes Beach, helps demonstrate the need for removal of beach furniture in nesting season. Islander File Photo: Bonner Joy



In the classroom

Orange Ridge-Bullock Elementary School students T'aira Johnson, Jordyn Walker, Devin Logan and Mayra Catalan decorated buckets for Anna Maria Island Turtle Watch's 2010 nesting season. Islander Photos: Courtesy Marie Masferrer

Cities, citizens turtle nesting preparations

By Lisa Neff
Islander Reporter

Volunteers for turtle nesting patrol got their working papers last week.

This week, and over the next month, residents in the three Island cities will get their guides for turtle nesting season, which begins May 1 and continues through Oct. 31.

Anna Maria Island Turtle Watch executive director Suzi Fox said she plans to make some door-to-door calls — especially to beach resorts — to distribute nesting season pamphlets and other materials.

Code enforcement officers on the Island also are readying for the nesting season, as are state wildlife officials.

The turtle protectors and monitors offer a do and don't list for everyone to follow:

Do...

- Remain quiet and observe from a distance if you encounter a nesting turtle or emerging nest.
- Shield or turn off outdoor lights visible on the beach from May through October.
- Close drapes after dark and put beach furniture far back from the water.
- Fill in holes on the beach that may entrap hatchlings on their way to the water and tide line.
- Place trash in its proper place.

Do not...

- Approach nesting turtles or hatchlings leaving nests, make noise or shine light at turtles.
- Encourage a turtle to move while nesting or pick up hatchlings that have emerged.
- Use fireworks or leave trash on the beach.

PAR preliminary site-plan approved

By Rick Catlin
Islander Reporter

The Anna Maria planning and zoning board voted 5-1 at its April 20 meeting to grant preliminary approval to a Pine Avenue Restoration LLC site plan for a retail-office-residential complex at 308 Pine Ave.

The city commission will make the final decision on approving the site plan.

Mike Coleman of PAR said the old Sears kit house currently on the site would be moved across Pine Avenue and two new ROR structures, each two stories high, would be built on the two lots at the 308 site. The ground level will be businesses and a residence will be on the top floor of each building, he said.

Coleman said the project would have "maximum energy efficiency," through the use of "green" energy, including water cisterns.

Parking would meet all city requirements, he said, but many details of the plan will have to be adjusted before final site-plan approval.

The parking plan is consistent with those for other PAR projects, the Anna Maria Island Community Center, the city pier and the proposal for 303 Pine Ave., a proposed ROR project by Robert and Nicky Hunt.

"We have used the same set of codes and ordinances as we've used before" to build ROR projects, Coleman said.

He had some concern regarding his March 10 project drawing as opposed to his Feb. 8 drawing.

The Feb. 8 drawing was in the file, not the March 10 drawing, city planner Alan Garrett said.

Coleman said that earlier on the day of the meeting, he observed two residents with the site-plan file in the commission chamber going through all the documents. He suggested that, instead of giving the public the original file, the public be allowed to view a copy.

Board member Bob Barlow asked Garrett and city attorney Jim Dye if they "feel this site plan meets with the comprehensive plan, the land-development regulations and the vision process" as currently stated.

Garret said yes, while Dye said he does not review site plans.

P&Z chair Randall Stover said the city codes often give different answers and that's what has prompted the current division in the city.

"The (codes) need solving quickly," Stover said, and he asked that "each side come together."

Board member Frank Pytel argued against the plan and suggested that PAR build just one ROR structure because the two lots were both 52 by 104 feet.

The comprehensive plan specifies six units per acre, he said.

Engineer Lynn Townsend responded that, if the city's interpretation of density is six units per acre, then 40 percent of the lots in the city are illegal for development.

"That would create a 'taking' from the owners," she said.

"We are in a dilemma with 5,000-square-foot lots," Pytel agreed. "It's a balancing act" for the city to keep those lots conforming, he added.

Coleman said there are 658 lots in the city that are 5,000 square feet or less for which the owner could not build or develop if density were calculated throughout the city at six units per acre.

The density issue is now being decided by the Florida Department of Community Affairs, noted attorney Jeremy Anderson at the meeting. He is representing Robert and Nicky Hunt, developers of 303 Pine Ave., in the DCA challenge. He objected to the site plan, saying it does not comply with the comp plan.

Anderson also represents William and Barbara Nally of Spring Avenue in a lawsuit concerning a

PAR site plan.

Coleman agreed to a stipulation that if the city's parking plan on Pine Avenue is modified, he would comply with its requirements.

Pytel voted against the site plan, while Barlow, Stover, Mike Yetter, Sandy Mattick and Jim Conoly voted to grant preliminary approval.

AM bridge repairs shift

Completion of the Crescent Drive humpback bridge repair project in Anna Maria is expected this week and the bridge has reopened to traffic, a Florida Department of Transportation press release said.

The DOT said work crews would begin repairs to the North Bay Boulevard humpback bridge April 26. It then will then be closed to traffic beginning May 5 and motorists will be detoured to Crescent Drive and Pine Avenue.

Work crews will be on the site from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. and no night work is anticipated, the DOT said.

The DOT is supervising the repair of the humpback bridges under the terms of federal stimulus money awarded the city.

Completion of the North Bay Boulevard bridge repairs is expected in five weeks, the DOT said.

Cities, KMB celebrate Arbor Day

Holmes Beach and Anna Maria officials will join Keep Manatee Beautiful representatives in celebrating National Arbor Day Friday, April 30.

Tree plantings will take place in both cities.

The planting in Holmes Beach will take place at 10 a.m. at the Spring Lakes Community Park, 6807 Holmes Blvd., where a Jamaican dogwood will be planted.

The planting in Anna Maria will take place in Bayfront Park on Bay Boulevard just north of Crescent Drive at 11 a.m. There, three green buttonwoods donated by Keep Manatee Beautiful in partnership with Manatee County Parks and Recreation Department will be planted.

The cities celebrated Florida Arbor Day earlier this year, also in partnership with Keep Manatee Beautiful.



Arbor Day is celebrated in Anna Maria in 2008.
Islander File Photo: Rick Catlin

Anna Maria Island
Health and Fitness Center

Open House & Membership Drive

When: Wed April 28- Sun May 2, 2010
Time: Wed-Fri 6am-8pm, Sat-Sun 8am-2pm.

Membership Specials

\$29.99 per month

2 for 1-Enroll with a friend or family member

*see club for details

Thank You for voting us
#1 FITNESS CENTER

Daily, Weekly and Monthly Memberships Available

Come see why we were Voted #1 Fitness Center on Anna Maria Island

5364 Gulf Drive, Holmes Beach
778-5446 www.amifitness.com

Island Flea

<p>Little Bites Cool food togo</p>	<p>Freakie Tiki Custom huts and bars</p>	<p>Cool Jewels Beach jewelry under \$20</p>
<p>The Veggie Shack Local fresh produce</p>	<p>Lucky Dog Boutique Homemade snacks and accessories</p>	<p>Pancho's Backyard Mexican pottery & new & old wrought iron garden art</p>
<p>Juice Hut Mixon Farms juice and fruit</p>	<p>Ram Bow Cutlery Knife sharpening & sales</p>	<p>Java Dog Coffee Bar Cappuccinos, lattes & Tyler's</p>
<p>Island Tropical's Orchids herbs hanging baskets</p>	<p>The Bamboo Room Island-inspired clothing & accessories</p>	

Open 7 Days 9-5 • Find us on Facebook!
5704 Marina Drive • Holmes Beach • 941-778-4402

WHITNEY PLAZA LONGBOAT KEY ANTIQUES & ART FAIR

SAT & SUN • MAY 1 & 2

Local artists • Organic produce • Exotic orchids • Classic Car Show
Free parking and admission

STEFF'S STUFF ANTIQUES & TREASURES
Whitney Beach Plaza • 6828 Gulf of Mexico Drive
Longboat Key • 941-383-1901

for vendor information call Stephanie @ 941-383-1901

The Color of Coconut
CLOTHING COMPANY
Come See What's New!
941.779.2626
5352 Gulf Drive
Holmes Beach

KAY THIBAUT
MASTER STYLIST AND COLORIST
Cut • Color Highlights
The Hideaway
5109 Manatee Avenue W. (In Fairway Center)
941-713-7223
*may be more for long hair

2010 Winter-Spring Schedule
Bridge Street Market
Outdoor Market on Historic Bridge Street in Bradenton Beach
May 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29
9am-2pm
107 Bridge Street Lot
941.518.4431
bridgestreetmerchants.com
Sponsored by the Bridge Street Merchants

\$2
ANNA MARIA ISLAND, FLA
AMI
WWW.ISLANDER.ORG
WE HAVE AMI STICKERS
Get yours at The Islander 5404 Marina Drive • Holmes Beach

Anna Maria Island Destination Pendant™
Recognized by locals and loyal visitors alike
As the symbolic treasure of Anna Maria Island
As one of the best kept secrets of the state, Anna Maria Island basks in the glow of the Florida West Coast's embrace, with alluring charm and spectacular beauty. The Anna Maria Island Destination™ Pendant is wrought in precious metals as a lasting memento of this "Island in the Sun" that will surely transport your mind to the shores of this tropical haven. The stylized "A" and "M" are joined by an "I" in the likeness of an anchor, which reflects the nautical nature of the island and the union of the three signifies the "hook" that the island has on the hearts of many. The Anna Maria Island Destination™ Pendant is a tribute to this enchanting "narrow slice of heaven".
Available only at Bridge Street Jewelers
"The Destination™ You Love... To Wear!"
Bridge Street Jewelers
129 Bridge Street • Bradenton Beach • 941-896-7800
bridgestreetjewelers@hotmail.com
www.amibracelet.com

Island happenings

Islander honored as 'Valiant Woman'

Anna Maria resident Peggy Nash is being honored with the Church Women United's Valiant Woman 2010 award.

Nash will be honored during the group's Friendship Day, which will take place at 10 a.m. Friday, May 7, at Trinity Methodist Fellowship Hall, 3200 Manatee Ave. W., Bradenton.

A luncheon will follow the program. Nash, according to a news release from CWU "is a most deserving woman who has greatly contributed her time and talents to her church, Church Women United and her community."

For more information, including reservations, call 941-747-6602.

Doug Heinlen of AARP talked with Democratic Party faithful during a luncheon April 19 at the Beach-House Restaurant in Bradenton Beach. Heinlen was the guest speaker.
Islander Photo: Edna Tiemann



Bridge Street Market continues in May

The Historic Bridge Street Merchants Association will continue to host the Bridge Street Market in May, offering shoppers fresh produce, arts and crafts, clothing and accessories and other goods.

The market will take place on Saturdays in May from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at 107 Bridge St.

Organizations encourage shoppers to walk or ride the trolley to the market and to bring their reusable shopping bags.

For more information, call 941-518-4431.



Phillips, Allen engaged

Lisa Marie Phillips of Bradenton Beach and Roger Allen of Cortez announced their engagement, with nuptials planned for June 12.

Phillips is the director of project/program management for the city of Bradenton Beach, and Allen is the heritage site manager for Cortez, via the Manatee County Clerk of Courts.

Phillips and Allen are both program managers for Waterfronts Florida in their respective communities. Following their wedding, the couple plans to honeymoon in Paris.



Charity grove
Mixon Fruit Farms Concert in the Groves featured TIFF'S Initiative — the To Inform Families First — encouraging people to register emergency-contact information with the state. TIFF vice president Karen Mahlios, left, and founder Christine Olson, right, are welcomed by Janet Mixon. TIFF benefited from a 50-50 raffle at the event. Mixon is an Islander, and Olson is on the crew at the Rod & Reel Pier restaurant.

Party on the Pass
Rande Ridenour of Siesta Key, David Dickson of Anna Maria Island and Chuck Holmes of Mote's Advisory Council attend Mote Marine Laboratory's Party on the Pass April 17. The event raised money for Mote's work to rescue and rehabilitate marine animals.
Islander Photo: John Revisky/Mote Marine Laboratory



Island happenings

Relay raises cancer society funds



The 2009 Island Relay for life gets under way at Coquina Beach. Islander File Photo: Lisa Neff

By Lisa Neff
Islander Reporter

American Cancer Society advocates are shaking out tents, packing snacks, collecting beach chairs and stowing away the sunscreen as they prepare for two days on the beach.

The Island Relay for Life is May 1-2 at Coquina Beach, where a couple hundred people will circle a makeshift relay track at the beach to raise money for the ACS's research, prevention and education work, to celebrate survival and to remember those who've died.

"We all make a commitment to save lives by walking the laps at relay," said cancer survivor Nancy Ambrose.

"Most people think of Relay for Life as a fundraiser — it is that and so much more," said Ambrose, of Holmes Beach. "It is ... a time to celebrate the lives of those who have battled cancers and their strength inspires others to continue the fight. It is a time to remember loved ones lost to the disease, to raise awareness of the disease, to reach out to the community and let them know about advocacy opportunities and needs and to fight back to put an end to this disease."

The Relay for Life is the American Cancer Society's signature event, taking place in locations across the country — sometimes down main streets, sometimes on field house tracks, sometimes in parks and occasionally on a beach.

The Island event will begin at 3 p.m. May 1, with an opening ceremony, followed by laps for survivors and caregivers.

"Because cancer never sleeps, relay events go overnight," Ambrose said.

"And because the light and darkness of the day and night parallel the physical effects, emotions and mental state of a cancer patient while undergoing treatment," said Ursula Duncan, the team development chair for the event.

So throughout the evening, relay participants will walk the track. The night also features a dinner for cancer survivors and caregivers, as well as the lighting of luminaria after dark, about 8:30 p.m. May 1.

"To me the highlight is always the survivor lap and the luminaria ceremony," said Ambrose, who became involved with Relay for Life as a chair in its inaugural year.

"The luminaria is one of the most touching parts of relay," said Duncan. "It's during this time we honor people who have been touched by cancer and remember loved ones lost to the disease."

The event concludes at about 9 a.m. May 2.

"As a participant, you will feel the brightness of the morning and know that the end of the relay is close at hand," Duncan said. "When you leave the relay, think of the cancer patient leaving their last treatment."

Organizers hope to raise about \$42,000 with the relay.

"Funds raised through Relay for Life will provide support for our community's cancer patients and fund local education programs," said Duncan. "Many people are not aware of the free services and programs that are available to Manatee County residents — from transportation to and from treatments, to wigs, bras and prosthesis, to counseling services and support groups. The American Cancer Society also provides summer camp experiences to children at Camp ROCK."

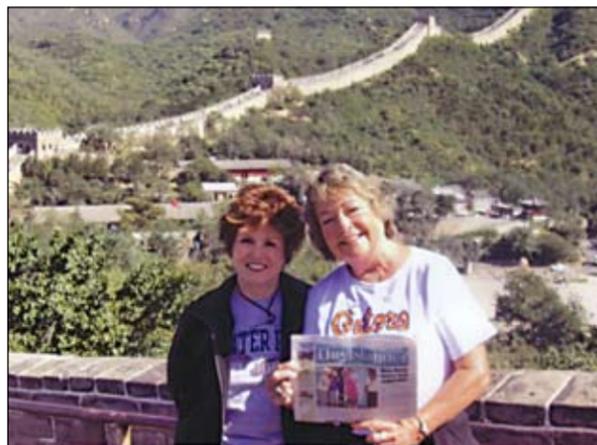
About 20 teams are set to participate in the event, many of the teams involving Islanders, but also drawing from greater Manatee and Sarasota counties.

"So far we have 20 people from A Paradise and Beall's corporate office," Jon Kent of A Paradise Realty said of his relay team, Pretty in Pink.

"It will be a fun event again and hopefully we'll raise even more money than last year," said Kent.



Cancer survivors begin the first lap during the Anna Maria Island Relay for Life. Islander File Photo: Lisa Neff



At the Great Wall

Islander Susan Anderson, right, and Sue Price of Winter Park vacation in China last September, where they visited the Great Wall of China. Anderson took along some local reading material — that featured a photo of her on page one.

hot cold good live

121 bridge street 778-1800

We Love our Moms and Yours!
Mother's Day, May 9

All Ladies Jewelry (in stock) 25% off

All Ladies Citizen Watches 40% off

Estate Jewelry 40% off

Gift Certificates Available
Free Gift Wrapping

L.D.'s Jewelry and Watch Repair **NEW LOCATION!**
8102 CORTEZ RD. W.

Tues- Sat 10-4 • ATM & credit cards accepted • 941-798-9585

Casual Wedding Attire
Swimsuits & Accessories
Everything for the Beach!

The BEACH SHOP

4000 Gulf Drive, Holmes Beach
at the Manatee Public Beach
941-778-5442 • Open Daily 8-8

HANDCRAFTED
LINK BRACELET

Sterling - \$36*
14k Gold - \$188*
*prices subject to change

the Sterling anvil SINCE 1971

WE MOVED the STERLING anvil Holmes beach, florida

5508 Marina Drive, Holmes Beach, FL, 34217
941.778.3636

schedule today

acQUA
salon spa store **AVEDA**
on the beach

hair • skin • nails • massage

5311 gulf drive holmes beach
941.778.5400 • acquaaveda.com

Look what's happening...

Affaire strikes country note with Greenwood

Pierrette Kelly, left, and Trudy Moon beam over the generosity of donors at the Affaire with the help of Lee Greenwood, as the Anna Maria Island Community Center went a little bit country, a little bit rock 'n' roll at the Affaire to Remember April 24. Country artist and Island property owner Greenwood performed, and a \$15,000 donation earned the audience a performance of his hit, "God Bless the USA." Affaire organizers said an early estimate of fundraising at the event is \$200,000. Islander Photos: Nancy Ambrose



Josh and Lauren Sato bring style to the Affaire.



Katie Rose Dell entertains at the Affaire.

It wouldn't be an affair without Chuck and Joey Lester in attendance at Affaire to Remember.



Ben and Karen Cooper
Income Tax and Accounting

Personal Consulting Services, LLC

(O) (941)795-7048 P.O.Box 14577
(F) (941)795-4878 Bradenton, FL 34280
(C) (941)713-9190 benacooper@aol.com

STROKE PREVENTION

ARE YOU AT RISK?

COMPLETE EVALUATION
(all 6 ultrasounds)
ONLY \$169

Tuesday, May 4
Anna Maria Island
Community Center

STROKE/CAROTID ULTRASOUND\$35

This test visualizes build-up of plaque in the carotid arteries that may lead to stroke.

ABDOMINAL AORTIC ANEURYSM (AAA)\$35

95% of ruptured AAAs result in death. The majority of victims have no symptoms.

ARTERIAL DISEASE (PAD) TEST\$35

Ultrasound is used to detect poor circulation and blockages in the legs.

THYROID ULTRASOUND\$35

Scan to rule out cysts, nodules, goiters and tumors.

ABDOMINAL ULTRASOUND\$85

Helps identify cancers of the liver, pancreas, kidneys, spleen, gallstones, kidney stones and more.

HEART SCAN- ECHOCARDIOGRAM.....\$95

Screening to view wall motion, valves, enlargements, calcifications, stenosis, prolapse, blood clots, tumors and fluid around the heart.



PREVENTION PLUS
stroke and vascular screening

Celebrating our 11th Anniversary of saving lives!

Call 1-888-667-7587

www.stroketesting.com

BLOOD TESTS AVAILABLE:
CHOLESTEROL, LIVER, PSA & TSH

ALL RESULTS & FILMS mailed in 2 WEEKS

No Prescriptions Necessary

Q: HOW ACCURATE ARE THESE HEALTH SCREENINGS?

A. Our adherence to stringent protocol, highly trained sonographers, state-of-the-art ultrasound machines, and board certified interpreting radiologists make the screenings exceedingly accurate. Physician written protocols ensure consistency and accuracy.

Q: WHY SHOULD I HAVE THESE TESTS IF I HAVE NO SYMPTOMS?

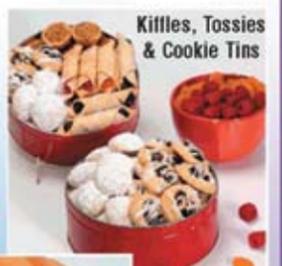
A. Unfortunately, our body's warning signs often come too late. It is important to have a screening to identify problems before symptoms arise, potentially avoiding a serious health crisis. Ultrasound can also find smaller & more curable cancers which drastically increases treatment success rate.



THE KIFFLE KITCHEN
The Finest in Quality Baked Goods

Established in 1985 • Bath, PA

Exceptional Kiffles (Kolaczki) and Nut Rolls (Povitica)



Open Year-Round

WE SHIP NATIONALLY

Remember Mother & Father's Day!



GREAT GIFT IDEAS!

Nut Rolls

To order, visit www.kifflekitchen.com or call 1-866-543-3537



Closeout sale

Bev Roberge looks for treasure as Ed Mitchell shows off a favorite find – his souvenir T-shirt. With the winter tourist season winding down, St. Bernard Catholic Church, 248 S. Harbor Drive, Holmes Beach, hosts a rummage sale April 17. Islander Photo: Edna Tiemann



Exterior work

Kathy Sparks, Jan Van Tassell and Jo Anne Curtan spend mid-morning April 23 working on a mural at the Island Shopping Center in the 5400 block of Marina Drive, Holmes Beach. The repainting of the mural, created in 1994, is again being handled by the Artists Guild of Anna Maria Island. Islander Photo: Lisa Neff

FLORIDA PATIO FURNITURE INC.
 Local Manufacturer and Refinisher
 Call today for a free on site quote **(941) 722-5643**
 We can re-finish and restore your existing Patio Furniture to like new condition
 Factory Direct Wholesale Prices
 Serving commercial and residential customers.

HOLMES BEACH BUSINESS CENTER
 5347 Gulf Drive, Holmes Beach

MOVE IN SPECIALS
 1 year lease - 1 month FREE
 2 year lease - 2 months FREE
 3 year lease - 3 months FREE

Commercial Space available from 770 sq.ft. to 2000 sq.ft.
 Mini Storage – Office Space – Retail Units – Garage Units
CONTACT (941) 778-2924

Protection Property Watch.com
 “Your Eyes Here – When You’re Away.”

Going back up north or on vacation?

Frequent checks of your home can help prevent many unpleasant and costly things from happening while you’re not there.
Equipment Failures • Hurricanes • Rain Damage • Vacant Home Indicators
 Did you know...if your home is not occupied or watched by someone reliable on a regular basis, your insurance company may consider it vacant or abandoned property and deny any insurance claim?

For Complete Information:
Log on: ProtectionPropertyWatch.com
Or call 941-920-0832

Any vacant home can use my service.
Jon Kent
 26 Years on AMI

May means fashionable **LIVING**
 At Freedom Village Bradenton

May is a great month for the latest in fashion – and fashionable living – at Freedom Village. So join us for these great events and see why we deliver Exceptional Experiences Every Day™.

MAY EVENTS

Wednesday, May 5 at 10:30 a.m.
 Life Enrichment Seminar & Luncheon

Beyond a fabulous place to live, Freedom Village offers residents a fabulous lifestyle, too! Find out more by attending, “How We Live an Optimum Life” at Freedom Village,” with Director of Life Enrichment, Carol Beck.

Thursday, May 20 at 4 p.m.
 Chef’s Special Dining Experience

It’s a Freedom Village Dining Event just for you! Learn how great food and great residents go together. Tour one of our gourmet kitchens for a sneak peak and enjoy a specialty dish prepared by our culinary team, led by Executive Chef Luciano!

Wednesday, May 26 at 11:30 a.m.
 Fashion Show & Luncheon

See the latest fashions from PJ’s Boutique in Sarasota, modeled by our very own Freedom Village resident models. Tickets are \$15 but must be purchased in advance. A limited number of complimentary tickets are available by calling our Marketing Office today at (941) 798-8122.

For reservations or more information about our May Events, call (941) 798-8122. Experience Freedom Village, its tastes, its features and the benefits of Life Care ~ or call our Marketing Office to schedule a personal visit!

FREEDOM VILLAGE
 BRADENTON
 BROOKDALE SENIOR LIVING
 A Life Care Community
 Exceptional Experiences Every Day™
 6406 21st Avenue West, Bradenton, FL 34209
 www.brookdaleliving.com

Exceptional Experiences Every Day is a Service Mark of Brookdale Senior Living Inc., Nashville, TN, USA. ® Reg. U.S. Patent and TM Office. • 52180EF-ROP01-0510

BB commissioners discuss permit delays

By Lisa Neff
Islander Reporter

Bradenton Beach city commissioners explored ideas to possibly speed up the permitting process for building projects.

One such option is for the city to contract with a planner for work beyond updates to such documents as the land-development regulations and comprehensive plan.

Currently building official Steve Gilbert handles planning and building duties in the department. Three people work in the city hall office with Gilbert — planning and development tech Judy Pruitt and code enforce-

ment officers Gail Garneau and Wendy Chabot.

The four-member team met April 21 with commissioners to discuss permit fees, the permit process, reasons for delays in permitting and possible solutions for such delays.

“I cannot tell you the number of people who complain about building permits,” said Commissioner Gay Breuler, who requested the meeting.

Gilbert acknowledged that the process can be lengthy and costly.

“Welcome to the joy of living on the beach,” he said, emphasizing that building on a barrier island is different from building in Bradenton, and building in Florida is different from building up north.

Breuler agreed. “People say, ‘Back home I just go in. There’s nothing.’”

Building permits must be obtained in Bradenton Beach for new construction, fire damage, additions and accessory, demolition; signs, fence, sprinkler and alarm installation, plumbing, mechanical and electrical work, dock and seawall work, roofing and aluminum and vinyl siding placement.

One cause for delay is that the one-page permit application is sometimes incomplete when filed. Just minutes before the April 21 meeting, a contractor submitted an application for a building permit for concrete work with at least 22 questions not answered, including the name of the property owner.

Information on applications must also be verified and reviewed, said Pruitt.

“Numerous things have to be checked,” she said, adding that a search for an updated warranty deed can sometimes take time.

Breuler said perhaps a chart could be posted in the department to indicate how long the review process takes for different projects.

Commissioners discussed whether contracting with a planner might help free Gilbert to spend more time with building matters.

Gilbert said Anna Maria contracts with a planner and, “some of that is paid with tax dollars. Some is billed. The city passes that on.”

Commissioners did not vote during the work meeting last week, but agreed to further discuss permitting at a regular meeting.



Taking flight

Wildlife Inc. volunteer Damen Hurd prepares to release a female eagle. Rescuers with the Bradenton Beach-based nonprofit were called on to help the bird, found disoriented, hungry and soaking wet. She spent several days in rehab at Wildlife Inc. and then was discharged. Islander Photo: Gail Straight

Building Paradise

Custom Homes
Additions
Renovations
Commercial
DEP and FEMA
Professional

778.3215

Gagne CONSTRUCTION
CBC060236

214 Pine Avenue
P.O. Box 1608
Anna Maria, FL
34216

www.gagneconstruction.com

Roser Memorial COMMUNITY CHURCH

512 Pine Avenue, Anna Maria • 941-778-0414

Beginning Sunday:
9 am
Adult Sunday School

10 am
Church Service
Youth And Children's
Sunday School

www.roserchurch.com

Hearing set for Jewfish dock

By Lisa Neff
Islander Reporter

The Jewfish Key Preservation Association has proposed extending its dock to 226 feet to accommodate property owners on the key, which can be accessed only by boat.

The common dock currently is 50 feet long. A hearing on the request will take place at 7 p.m. May 3 at Longboat Key Town Hall, 501 Bay Isles Road, Longboat Key.

Jewfish Key is the northernmost island in Sarasota Bay, opposite Longboat Pass.

The homeowner association's website describes the key as “an unspoiled environment” where “nature, history and a unique island culture intertwine to make ... an unspoiled jewel by the sea.”

“The island is a neighbor to several nature preserves. Accessible only by boat, Jewfish Key is known for its abundant wildlife and private, peaceful beaches.”

The name, according to the association history, “comes from a natural hole 20 feet deep at the south end of the island which held many large jewfish in past years.”

On the west side of the key, a large sandbar sand from Longboat Pass and makes it impossible for Jewfish owners to construct private docks.

So, the common dock is used by key property owners and their guests, as well as businesses that service the key.

In 2004, some key property owners had the dock altered without a permit. Illegal prop dredging also took place in the access channel, damaging seagrass.

The Florida Department of Environmental Protection has said that a requirement for a dock extension would be the removal of the illegal dock.

The DEP also has ordered repair to the damaged seagrass.

MIXON INSURANCE INC.

LIFE AUTO HOME BOAT BUSINESS

5412 Marina Drive • Island Shopping Center
Holmes Beach • 941.778.2253

Gloria Dei Lutheran Church

Pastor Rosemary W. Backer
Saturday 5pm – Celebrate!
9:30am – Traditional Worship
Youth Sunday School
Fellowship follows
9:30 service
Celebrate with us!

778-1813 • 6608 Marina Drive, Holmes Beach • www.gloriadeilutheran.org

CHECK OUT OUR STIMULUS PACKAGE!
BUNDLE SAVINGS IS HERE

Buy a 14 SEER Heat Pump or Straight Cool System and get an FPL rebate of up to \$430.00. Buy a 15 SEER heat pump system (maximum FPL Rebate of \$725.) or a 16 SEER system (maximum FPL Rebate of \$1,005.) and get the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) tax credit on your 2010 Income Tax Return of 30% of the cost (up to \$1,500.00). **THIS BUNDLE COULD SAVE YOU A BUNDLE.**

Please call for more details.
Our customers are #1 with us!

WEST COAST
Air Conditioning Heating Inc

778-9622
5347 Gulf Drive, No. 4,
Holmes Beach Business Center, Holmes Beach
CAC044365

Salon Salon MOTHER'S DAY SPECIAL!

1 HOUR STRESS-RELIEVING MASSAGE \$60
FOR MOM WITH MENTION OF THIS AD.

HAIR · NAILS · MASSAGE
3612 EAST BAY DRIVE, HOLMES BEACH
941.778.0400

ISLAND AUTO REPAIR

Owners
Rick, Aaron & Judi Rickerson
Family owned and operated for 30 years

See us for your Complete Auto Repair Services

ASE Certified Technicians

941 778-8277
5608 Marina Drive • Holmes Beach
Across the street from the Island Library

City to access CRA money for beach access

By Lisa Neff
Islander Reporter

Routinely feet tread on the dune at the Gulf of Mexico beach access at the west end of Bridge Street.

So the Bradenton Beach Community Redevelopment Agency agreed last week to step up its plan to improve the access, possibly by constructing a walkover that puts treads on wood, not on the dune.

The CRA, meeting April 20 at city hall, voted to have the city's capital improvements committee revived to review concepts and costs for Bridge Street beach access improvements, as well as beach access improvements at Third Street South.

The CIP committee, which consists of city department heads, could meet as early as this week to review past beach access plans and prepare a recommendation to the CRA.

The CRA district was established about 18 years ago to revitalize what was deemed a blighted area of the city. It is bounded by Sarasota Bay, Cortez Road, the Gulf of Mexico and Fifth Street South.

Dedicated property tax dollars are committed to the CRA to bring people to Bridge Street, attract new investment in commerce, promote historical and recreational programs and improve and increase public access.

Earlier this year, the CRA board — which consists of the city commission, the mayor and business representative Ed Chiles — identified improving beach accesses as a priority.

At last week's meeting, which Chiles and Mayor Michael Pierce did not attend, the CRA agreed that the CIP committee could get the access project going.

"Let's have them move forward with that," said Commissioner Janie Robertson.

She added, "The dune is doing its job. It's growing.... Perhaps we can get some kind of (walkover)



The access to the beach at the west end of Bridge Street in Bradenton Beach is due for some improvements. *Islander Photo: Lisa Neff*

design that grows with the dune."

In addition to the Third and Bridge street accesses, the CRA discussed improving the First Street access, but agreed that that project could be coordinated with a beach nourishment project scheduled for 2014.

The committee also agreed to hold a CRA meeting May 6 to review conditions at the public parking lot on Monroe Street.

Specifically, the CRA will look at lighting. "If it's dark, it's dangerous," Robertson said.

The committee also will take up resident-resort owner Tjet Martin's recommendation that public

works storage and operations be consolidated on Church Street to open more public parking on Highland near the police department.

MPO to hold workshop

The Sarasota/Manatee Metropolitan Planning Organization will hold a workshop at 4 p.m. Thursday, April 29, at the Bradenton Municipal Auditorium, 1005 Barcarotta Blvd., Bradenton.

The MPO is working on its 25-year strategic plan on local land use, economic objectives and regional connectivity.

The workshops, according to a news release, will provide an introduction and overview of the plan.

Also, attendees will participate in a number of activities, including a mapping exercise, prioritizing transportation investments and reviewing goals.

The MPO's target date for completing the plan is late 2010.

Neighbors advise on restaurant uses

Jamrocks Jamaican Grill has vacated the property at Gulf Drive and 17th Street in Bradenton Beach.

And with the restaurant's departure came recommendations from neighbors to the city about how future businesses might fare better at the location.

A letter from neighbors noted that Jamrocks was the third restaurant to leave the site in the past five years.

Part of the problem, the letter indicated, is inadequate parking. There should be more off-street parking, read the letter, said to represent the views of 47 households in the area.

Neighbors also asked that if the city reviews future plans for the commercial property, it consider prohibiting outdoor music.

DOUGLAS DEVELOPMENT
Anna Maria Island
COMMERCIAL - RESIDENTIAL
RENOVATIONS AND NEW CONSTRUCTION
CALL BOB
809-0048
36 YEARS EXPERIENCE
CBC#059865

HAYO CONSTRUCTION
COMMERCIAL
RESIDENTIAL
941.920.0892
CGC 018495
HAYO
CONSTRUCTION, INC

CORTEZ PUMP & SPRINKLER SUPPLY
MICROS
Water any time you want. Ask us how!
OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
www.cortezpump-sprinkler.com
M-F 7:30-5 • Sat 8-noon
8700 Cortez Road W. • Bradenton
792.9304 • Fax 792.9354

JUST VISITING PARADISE?
Don't leave the Island without taking time to subscribe. You'll get ALL the best news, delivered by the mailman every week. Visit us at 5404 Marina Drive, Island Shopping Center, Holmes Beach — or call 941-778-7978.
Online edition: www.islander.org
The Islander

BUDGET SELF STORAGE
Come See The Difference!
1/2 Off First 2 Months w/ Coupon
No Deposits, No Set-Up Fees • Climate Controlled Units • Daily/Weekly/Monthly Rentals • Open 7 Days a Week • Alarm and Video Cameras
Senior, Business & Military Discounts • Locally Owned & Operated
We Sell Boxes & Moving Supplies
Online Payments Accepted VISA M/C DISCOVER AMEX
2 Convenient Locations
6801 Cortez Rd. W. 5305 Manatee Ave. W.
941-761-9304 941-795-5510
WWW.BUDGETSELFSTORAGE.BZ

Summer Membership 5 Months - \$500
Call for Details
Monday Special Golf & Lunch \$35
Includes cart, practice balls hotdog, chips & soda!!
Tuesday—Sunday 18-Hole Rate \$35
Ask about our Social Membership with Unlimited Range & Golf!
Annual Social Dues; Family \$500 / Single \$350
Call for Group Outings of 12 or more.
Tee Times Online www.imggcc.com
Golf Shop 941.758.1464
Dining Reservations 941.758.1467
Membership Inquiries 941.739.7412
IMG Academies 941.752.2600
www.imggcc.com | www.imgacademies.com
4350 El Conquistador Parkway Bradenton, FL 34210
BIG SUMMER GOLF CARD
IMG ACADEMIES
GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB

EMERSON'S HUMOR
I'M AN ANTIQUE CAR LOVER.
WELL, I'VE GOT A CORVETTE ENGINE UNDER THIS CHASSIS!
need a good laugh? an emerson quillin signature store. humor, art, gifts, 10-4
ami plaza • 5306 holmes blvd, suite 700 • 941.779.1234 www.emersonshumor.com

Proudly Bringing You The Freshest Local Seafood Possible!



star fish co.

Fresh seafood market and dockside restaurant
open 7 days
call for times & directions 794-1243

C8

NOW OPEN
Daiquiri Dock & Tiki Bar

CORTEZ KITCHEN on the Bay
COME BY WATER OR LAND
FULL BAR
Monday - Thursday 2 - 9 PM
Live Music on Mondays
All-You-Can-Eat Fish Fry

BAYSIDE BANQUET HALL
4628 119th St. W. • 798-2035
(from Cortez Rd, turn S on 119th) • no credit cards
www.baysidebanquethall.com

C-8

BEACH BUMS
Island Attitude

RENT A SURREY BIKE 1 HOUR, GET 1 HOUR FREE
IF YOU MENTION THIS AD!
www.beachbumsAMI.com

BEACH BUMS RENTALS

- Bikes for all Ages • 3 Wheelers
- Surrey Bikes • Electric Scooters & Carts
- Kayaks & Guided Eco Tours
- Beach & Baby Gear Rentals

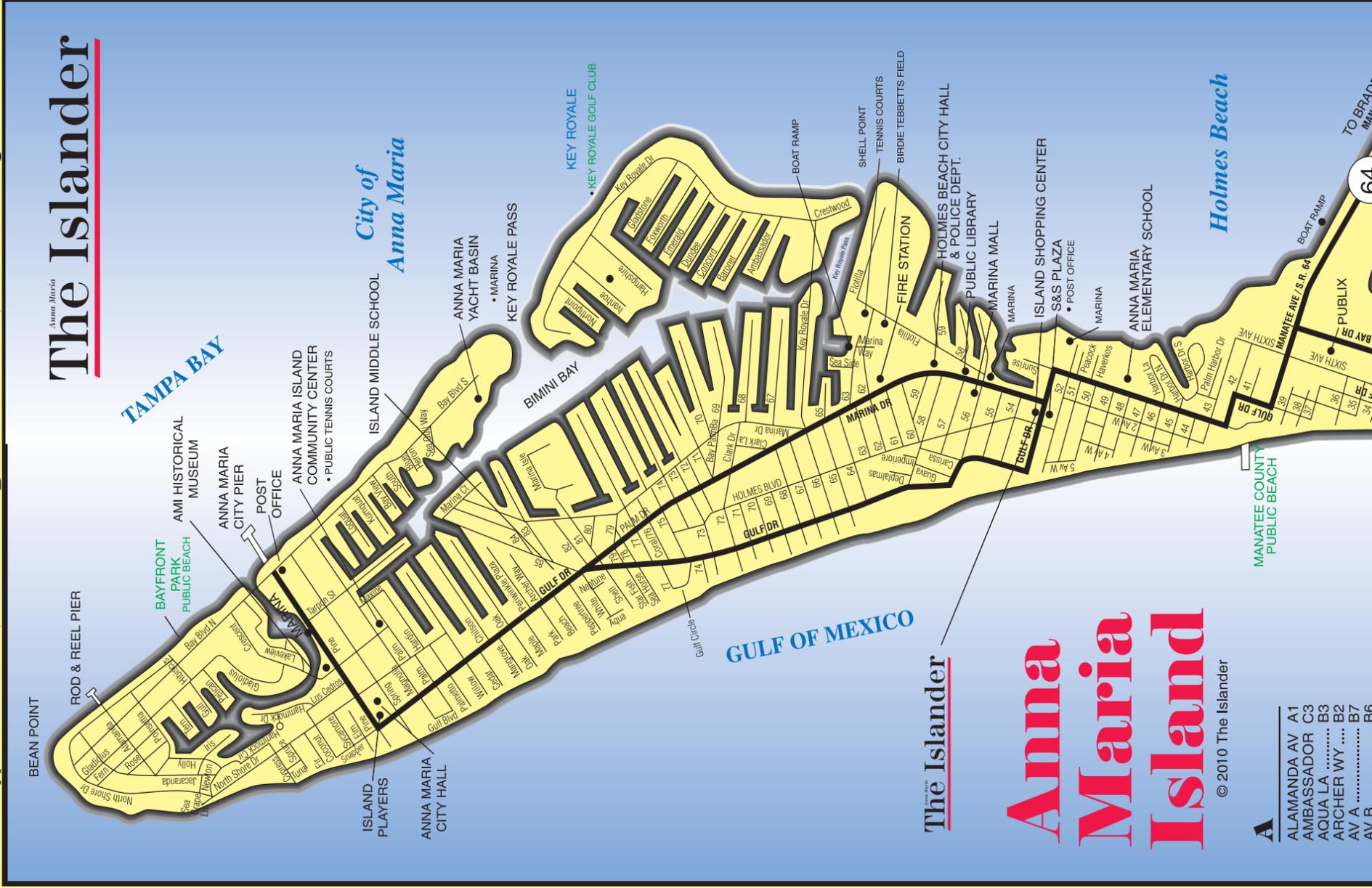
BEACH BUMS STORE

- T-Shirts • Beach Gear • Toys & Gifts
- Beach Supplies • Boogie Boards

OPEN 7 DAYS - 9 am - 5 pm
427 Pine Ave, Anna Maria
941-778-3316

A2

The Islander
Anna Maria



Anna Maria Island

© 2010 The Islander

ALAMANDA AV A1
AMBASSADOR C3
AQUA LA B3
ARCHER WY B2
AV A B7
AV B B6

Segs by the Sea



SEGWAY
Scenic Tours • Short and Long Term Rentals
Sales • Events
941.209.5970 • www.segsbythesea.com
An Eco-Friendly Way to Play!

C8

BEACH HUT

Home and garden accents
with a beachy flair



We've moved two doors over to 5306 Holmes Blvd.
941-778-2773

B4

ANNIE'S BAIT & TACKLE

Come try our waterfront ...

GULF GROUPE SANDWICH
FRESH 1/2 LB. BURGER • CUBAN SANDWICHES



The bait shop
with great food!

4334 127TH ST. W. • CORTEZ • OPEN DAILY • 941-794-3580

C8

**TOURISTS MAY BE LOOKING FOR YOU!
HELP 'EM OUT!**



Don't miss out on your opportunity to market to our Island visitors. More circulation weekly than the dailies on AMI, greater readership than any publication circulating on AMI, and a solid reputation for success! More than 17 years of service to the Island community and readers are still flocking to The Islander. Call Toni for marketing tips, special deals and the "best news on Anna Maria Island" ... call 941-778-7978.

The Islander
Anna Maria

THE "BEST NEWS" SINCE 1992
WWW.ISLANDER.ORG

Slim's Place Great Lunch and Dinner Specials!

STARTING APRIL 29
4-10PM TAPAS THURSDAYS
MAY 5
CELEBRATE CINCO DE MAYO
WITH LARRY STOKES 6-10PM

9701 Gulf Drive, Anna Maria 941-567-4056

CELEBRATING 26 YEARS!

Tyler's 

HOMEMADE ICE CREAM SINCE 1984
GOURMET ICE CREAM

Old fashioned ice cream made on site.

Now Serving **Fresh Brewed Coffee!**

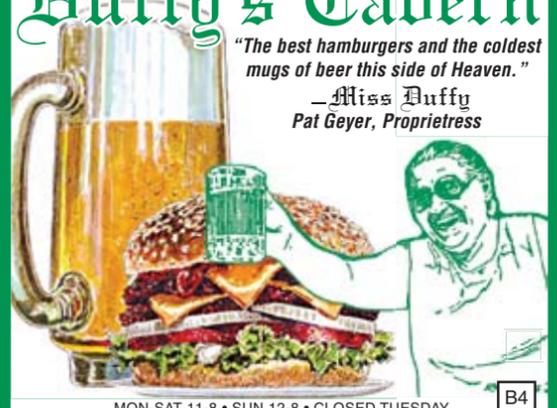
Soft Serve
 Sugar Free/Fat Free
 Frozen yogurt
 Sorbet

794.5333 • www.tylersicecream.com
 11904 Cortez Rd. W • Cortez

www.DuffysTavernAMI.com

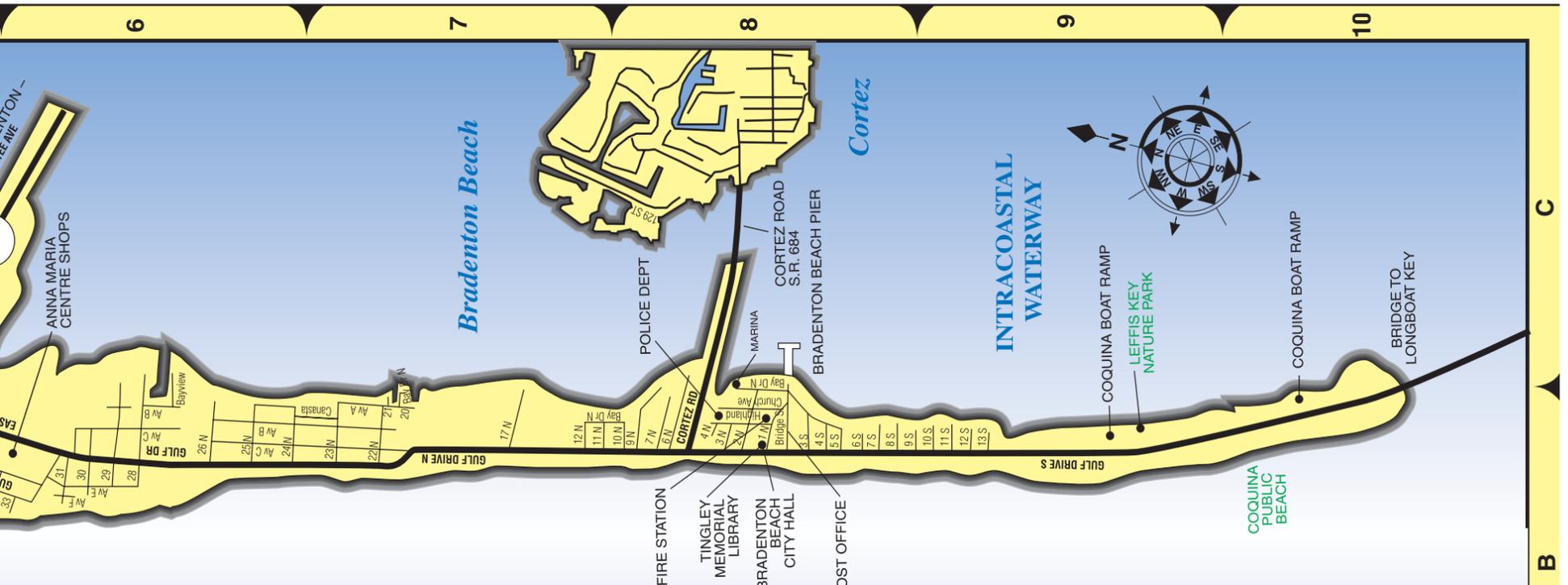
Duffy's Tavern

"The best hamburgers and the coldest mugs of beer this side of Heaven."
 —Miss Duffy
 Pat Geyer, Proprietress



MON-SAT 11-8 • SUN 12-8 • CLOSED TUESDAY

59TH & MARINA DR. • HOLMES BEACH • 778-2501



BRADENTON BEACH
CORTAZ
INTRACOASTAL WATERWAY
COQUINA BOAT RAMP
LEFFIS KEY NATURE PARK
COQUINA BOAT RAMP
BRIDGE TO LONGBOAT KEY
COQUINA PUBLIC BEACH

LANDMARKS: POLICE DEPT, MARINA, BRADENTON BEACH PIER, TINGLEY MEMORIAL LIBRARY, BRADENTON BEACH CITY HALL, POST OFFICE, COQUINA BOAT RAMP, LEFFIS KEY NATURE PARK, COQUINA BOAT RAMP, BRIDGE TO LONGBOAT KEY.

STREETS:
B BARONET LA... C3
 BAY BLVD... A, B 1, 2
 BAY DR E... C9
 BAY DR N... B, C 8
 BAY DR S... E8
 BAY PL... B8
 BAY BREEZE LN... B3
 BAY PALMS DR... B3
 BAYVIEW DR... B, C 6
 BAYVIEW PL... B2
 BEACH AV... B2, 3
 BLUE HERON... B2
 BRIDGE ST... B8
C CANASTA DR... B7
 CARISSA ST... B4
 CEDAR AV... A2
 CHILSON AV... A2
 CHURCH AV... B8
 CLARK ST... B3
 COCONUT AV... A2
 CONCORD LA... C3
 COQUINA LN... B3
 CORTAZ RD... B, C 8
 CRESSENT... A, B 1, 2
 CRESTWOOD... C3
 CYPRESS... A1
D DEPALMAS... B4
 DUNDEE LA... C3
E ELM AV... A2
 EMERALD LA... C3
F FERN ST... A1
 FIR AV... A2
 FLOTILLA DR... C4
 FOXWORTH DR... C3
G GLADIOLUS ST... A1
 GLADSTONE LN... C3
 GUAVA ST... B4
 GULF CIR... B3
 GULF DR... A, B 2/10
 GULL DR... A1
H HAMMOCK RD... A2
 HAMMOCK CIR... A1
 HAMPSHIRE LN... C3
 HARBOR DR... B5
 HARBOR LN... B5
 HARDIN AV... B2
 HAVERKOS CT... B4
 HIBISCUS AV... A1
 HIGHLAND ST... B8
 HOLLY RD... A1
 HOLMES BLVD... B 3, 4
I IMPERIORE... B4
 IRIS ST... A1
 IVANHOE LN... C3
J JACARANDA AV... A1
K KEY ROYALE... B, C 3
 KUMQUAT... B2
L LAKEVIEW DR... A, B1
 LINDA LN... A1
 LOQUAT... B2
 LOS CEDROS DR... A2
M MAGNOLIA AV... A2
 MANATEE AV... C5
 MANGROVE AV... A2
 MAPLE AV... A, B2
 MARINA DR... B2, 3
 MARINA WAY... B3
 MAXINE... B2
N NEPTUNE LA... B4
 NEWTON... A2
 NORTH POINT... C3
 N. SHORE DR... A1
O OAK AV... A, B 2
P PALM AV... A, B 2
 PALM DR... B 3, 4
 PALMETTO... A2
 PARK AV... B2
 PEACOCK LN... B4
 PELICAN... A1
 PEPPER TREE AV... B3
 PERWINKLE A... B2
 PINE AV... A, B2
 POINSETTIA AV... A1
R ROSE ST... A1
S SANDY POINT... C5
 SEA GRAPE LA... A1
 SEA HORSE LA... B3
 SEASIDE CT... B3
 SEA GULL WAY... B2
 SHELL DR... B3
 SNAPPER... A2
 SOUTH DR... B2
 SPRING AV... A, B2
 SPRUCE AV... A2
 STARFISH RD... B3
 SUNBOW BAY... C5
 SUNRISE LA... B4
 SYCAMORE AV... A2
T TARPON ST... B2
 TERN DR... A1
 TUNA ST... A2
W WHITE AV... B3
 WILLOW AV... A, B2

NEW!
TIE-DYE
SHORTS
AVAILABLE AT The Islander

ISLAND SHOPPING CENTER • 5404 MARINA DRIVE • 941 778-7978 • WWW.ISLANDER.ORG

★ Skinny's PLACE Established 1952

GREAT BURGERS VOTED #1 **FROSTED MUGS VOTED #1**

OLD FLORIDA ORIGINAL
OPEN 6 DAYS • CLOSED MONDAY

Across from Manatee Public Beach • 3901 Gulf Dr., Holmes Beach
 941-778-7769 • www.floridasecrets.com

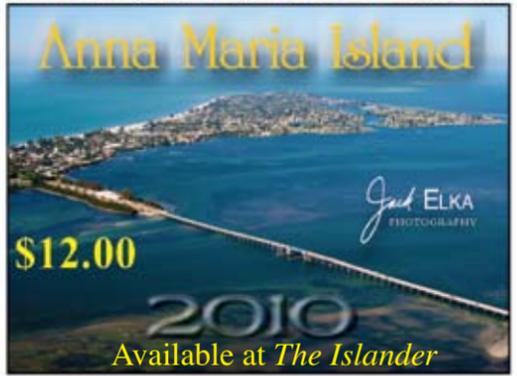
Domino's Pizza (941) 778-6641

5606 Marina Drive
 Holmes Beach
 Mon-Thurs 11am-11pm
 Fri-Sat 11am-12am
 Sun 11am-11pm

WE DELIVER

CHECK US OUT AT
WWW.ISLANDER.ORG

2010 Anna Maria Island Calendar



Anna Maria Island
 Jack ELKA PHOTOGRAPHY
\$12.00
 Available at The Islander

The 2010 Calendar is filled with spectacular pictures of the Island by photographer Jack Elka. Call now to get your copy. Makes a great gift!
 941-778-2711 www.annamariacalendar.com

We Know the Way
to your dream home or an
ideal vacation rental...



779-0202 • 800-732-6434
 5402 Marina Drive • Holmes Beach
 Island Shopping Center
 www.suncoastinc.com
 sunco1@tampabay.rr.com

BONGO MIKE'S BANANA CABANA

Caribbean Seafood and Grill
 Denzel Washington said: "Great Food"

2 FOR 1 DRINKS 4-6

HALF-PRICED ENTREES FOR MOM! 5/9-5/13
 Sun-Thurs only. Must present coupon. Not valid holidays or with any other coupon or discount. COUPON EXPIRES 05/14/10

EARLY BIRD 4-6 1/2 OFF ENTREE with purchase of regular-price entree and any two beverages. Must present coupon. Not valid on holidays or with any other coupon or discount. COUPON EXPIRES 05/14/10

VOTED BEST CRAB CAKES!
 103 Gulf Drive • Bradenton Beach
 www.bananacabanaseafood.com • 941-779-1930
 Open Nightly 4-9:30. Fri & Sat 4-10:30
 Live Music Fri and Sat with Doug Bidwell

Busy night for AME book, science fair

The hallways of Anna Maria Elementary were filled April 21 with students, families and school staff for a science and book fair.

The AME science fair showcased what AME students are learning with fourth- and fifth-graders individual and class projects in the auditorium.

There were no winning ribbons on the projects. "Every student gets a certificate. We want to encourage them to become scientists and to continue using the scientific method," said AME principal Tom Levengood.

Throughout the school, various stations were set up to feature a host of community outreach programs that teach students about science and the environ-

ment.

A short walk upstairs to the AME media center and parents and teachers were transported from 2010 to the 1950s. AME parent Kay Kay Hardy, who chairs the annual book fair, set up a 1950s diner minus the soda and burgers, but featuring a menu of book for sale.

"We wanted to make a family event out of our science and book fair night. This way you come out

as a family and you learn something and have fun together. Every year, kids and parents always talk about it and are excited," said Levengood.



Learning to grow

AME nurse Vicki Dunning plants seeds with kindergartener Marco Figuerola and dad Alvard Figuerola. Each year at science night, parents and students receive information on how to grow their own plants at home.



Science Fair

AME fourth- and fifth-grade student science projects line the AME auditorium.



Learning what lives in the water

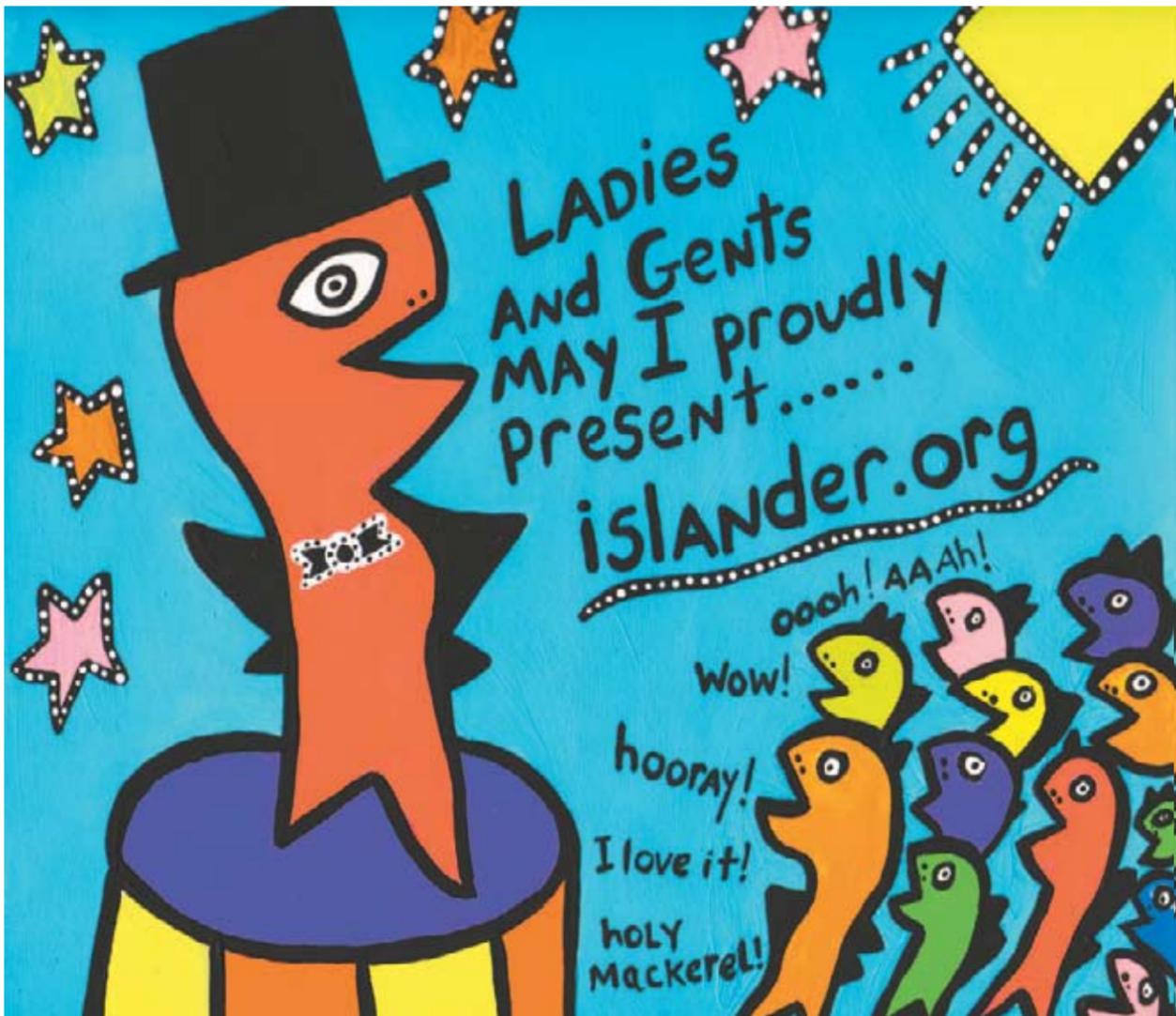
Sam Howells drops a hermit crab back into a touch tank at AME. As a part of the science fair, several booths featured up-close science projects.



AME track stars

Students from the Anna Maria Elementary School track team competed last week against the best runners from other Manatee County schools. Here Sydney Cornell wins her heat for the 400 race. Cornell and Olivia Glavan took home eighth place in their division for the 400 race. Islander Photo: Courtesy Rick Blackburn

School By Kimberly Kuizon



world wide delivery: islander.org
Island home delivery: 778-7978.
 Delivering you the Island's news (free) since 1992.

The Islander



1950s diner recalled
 Kay Kay Hardy rings up books at the book sale. Hardy, along with others, transformed the AME media center into a 1950s diner, and some students attended in sock-hop attire.



Kiwanis raises \$500 for AME
 Sandy Haas-Martens, president of the Anna Maria Island Kiwanis Club, presents a \$500 check to Anna Maria Elementary School counselor Cindi Harrison for learning supplies for the lower elementary grades. Harrison met with club members April 17 at Cafe on the Beach in Holmes Beach. Islander Photo: Ralph Bassett

Spring Fling near

Anna Maria Elementary School Parent Teacher Organization member Kyra Valadie shows off baskets to be sold at the Spring Fling May 1 at the Anna Maria Island Community Center. All items used to create the baskets were donated by Island businesses and families. Spring Fling event tickets are available at the school office for purchase.



AME MENU

NO LUNCH: AME May lunch menus were not made available at press time this week for *The Islander*. Please, contact Sandra Ford, 751-6550, ext. 2130, with the school district food service for menu information.

AME calendar

- 9 a.m. April 29, school speech contest.
 - 1:30 p.m. April 29, book club meeting.
 - May 13, fifth-grade field trip to Busch Gardens.
 - May 14, fourth-grade gardeners trip for lunch at Beach Bistro.
 - May 25, Parent Teacher Organization dinner and fifth-grade performance.
- For more information, call the school office at 941-708-5525. AME is at 4700 Gulf Drive, Holmes Beach.



I love this job!
 Joselin Presswood, 12, participates in "Take Our Daughters and Sons To Work" day April 22 at *The Islander* where she learned to process photos in Photoshop from her grandmother, Bonner Joy. She also answered phones and helped sort files, and she said, "I love this job!" Islander Photo: Bonner Joy

Exceptional Properties at All Price Levels

Signature | Sotheby's INTERNATIONAL REALTY

Rose Schnoerr | 941.725.0900 | rose.schnoerr@sothebysrealty.com
 Marla Vignocchi | 941.320.1781 | marla.vignocchi@sothebysrealty.com
 The Plaza at Five Points | 50 Central Avenue | Sarasota, FL 34236

URGENT CARE CENTER

OPEN Mon.-Fri. 7³⁰am-7pm
 Sat., Sun., Holidays 7³⁰am-5pm

WALK-INS WELCOME
 We're available to tend to your urgent care needs

Fever/Infections • Minor Lacerations
 Simple Fractures • Sprains

PINNACLE MEDICAL CENTER
 315 75th Street West • Bradenton
 941-761-1616

Nancy M. Perron, D.M.D.
 Dentistry with a soft touch

Cosmetic and Family Dentistry
Invisalign
 INSURANCE & CREDIT CARDS ACCEPTED

941-749-7638

4012 Ninth Avenue W., Bradenton

AREA RUG SPECIALIST

FAT CAT

941-778-2882
 www.FatCatCarpetCleaning.com

100% SATISFACTION GUARANTEE!

HOW TO RELAX ON AN ISLAND.

MASSAGE BY NADIA
 941.795.0887
 C 941.518.8301

Your place, your convenience.

GIFT CERTIFICATES AVAILABLE

island wellness
 BEACH MASSAGE & YOGA

\$50 Massage Deal

Amanda Escobio • 941.779.6836
#MAS0012 Massage Therapist Since 1996

www.annamariabeachmassage.com

1301 Gulf Drive • Bradenton Beach • Located at Silver Surf Resort

Improve your game in as little as an hour

THE GOLF BOOT CAMP

Teaching Pro Cathy Schmidt LPGA
 Class "K"
 Teaches the secret to golf.

Sun Coast Golf Center
 Located behind Sarasota/Bradenton Airport

941-720-9080 Cell • 941-351-2666 Golf Center
 cathy.schmidt@lpgapro.com • www.thegolfbootcamp.com

HOLMES BEACH AUTOMOTIVE SERVICE

Foreign & Domestic • Air Conditioning
 Electrical Systems • Tune-Ups, Brakes & More

5333 Gulf Drive
 Holmes Beach
 at the corner of
 Gulf & Marina Drives
941-779-0487

ASE CERTIFIED

ALLERGY AFFILIATES

Board Certified, Experienced Doctors
 Adults and Children
 John Cella, M.D. Elaine Waters, M.D.

Allergies • Asthma • Sinus

NORTHERN VISITORS WELCOME
 WE GIVE ALLERGY SHOTS

Call 792-4151
 SERVING TWO AREAS

Tanglewood Professional Center
 5701 21st Ave. W., Bradenton
 Convenient to W. Bradenton & the Beaches

5309 SR 64 E, Bradenton
 1 mile West of I-75
 Convenient to East County

Streetlife

Island Police Blotter

Anna Maria

April 17, 300 block of Gulf Boulevard, information. A Manatee County Sheriff's Office deputy was advised of a lost child and met with the mother, who was too upset to speak with the deputy. The deputy spoke with the girl's father and obtained information on the missing girl. The deputy notified the Sandbar Restaurant to have staff look for the missing girl. The deputy saw the mother run up to some people near the restaurant and hug a child, who was determined to be the missing girl. The girl was not harmed.

April 18, 700 block of North Bay Boulevard, information. A woman advised a deputy that her neighbors called and told her someone was in her house April 18. She said two cans of beer were missing.

April 23, 100 block of Cedar Avenue, domestic disturbance. The complainant told the deputy that she and her husband were intoxicated and they went to bed. She said they began to argue and her husband grabbed her arm. The wife called 911 and then agreed to spend the night at her son's home.

Bradenton Beach

No new reports.

Holmes Beach

April 21, 300 block of Avenue C, theft. An officer reported that between April 1-7 someone stole his garbage can valued at \$60.

HBPD arrests man for burglary

The Holmes Beach Police Department arrested Aaron Lowman, 24, in Bradenton Beach for allegedly stealing fishing gear from a residence in the 500 block of Bayview Drive in Holmes Beach.

According to an April 16 HBPD police report, five fishing rods and reels valued at \$2,100 were stolen. Lowman sold two rods and took three to a friend's house, according to the report.

Lowman allegedly told the victim he would return the gear, but only returned three of the rods.

Officer Brian Hall contacted Lowman at his residence and Lowman allegedly told Hall he took the gear because the victim owed him money.

Lowman faces charges of grand theft and burglary. He was transported to the Manatee County jail where he was released on \$8,500 bond.

Mike Quinn, publisher of www.newsmanatee.com, contributed to this report.

Man jailed for alleged probation violation in 1994 killing

An Orlando man was brought to the Manatee County jail April 22 for allegedly violating probation on his 1994 conviction for killing a Holmes Beach man.

Joseph Wharren, 41, is on probation for the killing of 51-year-old Thomas Fortuner. Wharren was sentenced to 22 years in prison for manslaughter. He and a co-worker had been cleaning windows on the Island for a company out of Orlando, and stopped on the Palma Sola Causeway when a fight between them escalated and Wharren threw a ladder at his co-worker.

The ladder missed its target and struck and killed Fortuner, who was riding past the fight on his motorcycle on the causeway.

Obituaries

Evelyn B. Fiske

Evelyn B. Fiske of Anna Maria died April 20. Memorial contributions may be made to American Heart Association, P.O. Box 840692, Dallas TX 75284.

Private burial will be at Manasota Memorial Park. Arrangements were by Griffith-Cline Funeral Home.

Mrs. Fiske is survived by son Jack R. of Anna Maria and granddaughter Jill Fiske.

William J. Holmes Jr.

William J. Holmes Jr., 88, of Holmes Beach died April 22.

Mr. Holmes was born Dec. 26, 1920, in Plainfield, N.J.

He was a U.S. Marine fighter pilot for three years in the Pacific during World War II.

He attended school in Plainfield, Bob Jones College and Texas University.

After the war, he became vice president of Libby Foods in Kansas City, Mo. He also worked as a consultant for the Washington State Food Commission. In 1967, Mr. Holmes and wife Dana opened a travel agency in Moorestown, N.J., which they operated for

22 years.

They lived in the Pine Barrens of New Jersey and in Holmes Beach.

Mr. Holmes is survived by wife Dana; step-daughter Kim Gargiule and husband Richard; son Chris Viviano and wife Terri; step-daughter Susan Van Meter and husband Ron; and five grandchildren, Jason, Dana, Emily, Mark and Chris.

John B. Molyneux

John B. Molyneux of Holmes Beach died April 19.

Mr. Molyneux was chair of the Holmes Beach Parks and Beautification Committee and, along with committee members, planned and planted many trees and created several "green" pocket parks.

Molyneux and wife Caroline Molyneux have been permanent residents in Holmes Beach for three years, and were part-time residents from Ridgefield, Conn. for 16 years.

"I think he liked the whole atmosphere here," she said. "How laid back it was. How it wasn't glamorous. He was involved in planting trees and trying to preserve some open space and trying to keep the Island the way it is because we liked the Island as it was 16 years ago without too much building going on."

He came to the United States in 1964 on a two-year contract with Guinness Brewery and stayed, becoming a U.S. citizen. He brought Altoids to the States market as president of Callard & Bowser Inc., a candy company, and worked for Kraft Foods Inc.

He loved Anna Maria Island. Donations in his **OBITUARIES CONTINUED ON PAGE 21**



John Molyneux participated in numerous tree-plantings in his service to the city of Holmes Beach. *Islander File*
Photo: Lisa Neff

Great Food!



Try us anytime for food and fun on the beach!

Mondays 4-8 pm
Italian Buffet \$8.95

Tuesdays 4-8 pm
Sunset Dinner Specials

Wednesdays 4-8 pm
Taco and Fajita Buffet \$8.95

Thursdays 4-8 pm
Pulled Pork Buffet \$8.95

Friday 4-8 pm

All-You-Can-Eat Fish and Chips \$9.95

Every Day - \$5.95

All-You-Can-Eat • Pancakes and Sausage

ALL DINE HERE ONLY

Live Music 4-8pm

Tues 4/27 ~ Masquerade

Wed 4/28 ~ Mike Sales

Thurs 4/29 ~ Mike Sales

Fri 4/30 ~ Masquerade

Sat 5/1 ~ Squirrel

Sun 5/2 ~ Tom Mobley

Mon 5/3 ~ Karen Greenley



OPEN 7 AM • 7 DAYS A WEEK • BEER & WINE
4000 Gulf Drive • Holmes Beach • 778-0784

Great Prices!

Mother's Day is May 9!

Let Mom know your love for her is like nothing else in the world.

A Mother's Delight...

...Dinner at Euphemia Haye

Special Mother's Day selections – both distinctive and out of the ordinary, like your Mom.

Salmon Belgique –

Atlantic Salmon steamed over leeks and white wine, served with braised endive and a grain mustard beurre blanc.

Petite Tenderloin of Beef King Henri –

Six ounces of charbroiled beef tenderloin topped with artichoke and béarnaise sauce served with your choice of truffle oil potatoes or cauliflower mash.

Full menu available, including our delectable home-made desserts

Serving 4-9 p.m., Call for reservations today - 383-3633!

Gift certificates available.



“Don't talk with your mouth full unless you're telling Mom you love her.”



RESTAURANT

5540 Gulf of Mexico Drive • Longboat Key

EuphemiaHaye.com

Volunteers join Great American campaign

By Lisa Neff
Islander Reporter

Local volunteers became a green machine April 17, joining in the Great American Cleanup to remove litter and debris from roadsides and shorelines.

"It's what we do," said Arnie Vance, president of the local Notre Dame University Club, which dispatched volunteers to Coquina Beach for the campaign.

Volunteers participating in the event, coordinated nationally by Keep America Beautiful and locally by Keep Manatee Beautiful, reported for cleanup duties at city hall in Anna Maria, the Kingfish Boat Ramp on the Holmes Beach border and Coquina Beach in Bradenton Beach.

Volunteers also turned out to help clean up along the Palma Sola Causeway leading to the Island, neighboring Cortez village and its FISH Preserve, as well as other locations in Manatee County.

Numerous service organizations and schools helped direct volunteers to the event, including a surfing organization whose members cleaned up

OBITUARIES CONTINUED FROM PAGE 20

memory can be sent to city of Holmes Beach, 5601 Marina Drive, Holmes Beach FL 34217, in care of John Molyneux Memorial Tree Fund.

A memorial service was held April 23 at the chapel of Roser Memorial Community Church in Anna Maria.

Mr. Molyneux is survived by wife Caroline; children Louise, Katie, William and Sarah; and grandchildren Chandler, Lindsay, Holly, Cole, Nick, Emma, Sophia, Isabelle and Justin.

Eric Scott Manning

Eric Scott Manning, 41, of Holmes Beach, died April 18.

Good Earth Crematory is in charge of arrangements. A service will be held in Indiana.

Survivors include sister Candace and husband Richard Fletcher; brothers Johnathan Manning and Nathan and wife Michelle Manning; mother Christine Manning; and grandmother Marjorie Manning.



Rachael Tindell, 12, reaches for a piece of litter as she works with Nadine Curtis, 12, during the Great American Cleanup April 17 at Kingfish Boat Ramp on the Holmes Beach border. Keep Manatee Beautiful coordinated the local event, part of a national anti-litter campaign. *Islander Photos: Lisa Neff*

the Beach in Bradenton Beach and Johnson Middle School, whose Saturday Science students cleared away litter from Coquina Beach.

"Americans now, more than ever, want to do their part," said KMB executive director Ingrid McClellan. "Keep Manatee Beautiful is reminding the Manatee County community that green starts with ... Keep America Beautiful's Great American Cleanup."

The cleanup has become a brand-name event in America — trademarked and dating back to 1999.

KMB reported that 164 volunteers cleaned 8 miles in Bradenton Beach, where they removed 1,775 pounds of litter and 39 pounds of recyclables.

In Anna Maria, 30 volunteers removed 75 pounds of litter and 17 pounds of recyclables from 6 miles.

And, in Holmes Beach, 106 volunteers removed 166 pounds of litter and 18 pounds of recyclables from 4 miles, mostly near the boat ramp.

A Cortez crew removed 2,400 pounds of litter and 5,500 pounds of yardwaste from the FISH Preserve and on the causeway, 11 volunteers cleaned up 65 pounds of litter.



Andy Goyer and Arnie Vance of the local Notre Dame club pick up trash from the beach April 17.

CHECK US OUT AT
WWW.ISLANDER.ORG

99¢ Margaritas
Tuesdays & Thursdays!
ALL DAY
with food purchase.

20% OFF Entire Check.
Must present this coupon.
Not valid with early bird or other specials.
Dine-in only. One coupon per table.

Banquet Services
for up to
60 people!

Celebrate Cinco de Mayo with us!
Wednesday May 5th
.99¢ Margaritas & All beer \$1.99 all day.
Free Appetizer for parties of 4 with meal purchase

Happy Hour
Daily 4-6pm
2-for-1 Draft Beer

CANCUN MEXICAN-CUBAN GRILL

5120 Manatee Ave. W. • Bradenton
OPEN 11AM • **747-2552**

FREE APPETIZER!
FOR A PARTY OF FOUR OR MORE.
VALID WITH OTHER OFFERS.

A Moveable Feast

CASUAL DINING

GOURMET PIZZA

DINE-IN • DELIVERY

DAILY SPECIALS

CATERING

Open 7 Days/11:30-9 • Dine In • Carry Out • AMI Delivery (4:30-9)
5406 Marina Drive • Island Shopping Center • Holmes Beach
Corner of Gulf & Marina • **941.778.5092**

FIRE & STONE PIZZA

BRICK-LINED OVEN

24-ITEM SALAD BAR

2 SOUPS

HOMEMADE DAILY

ENDLESS ARTISAN PIZZA

LUNCH \$5.99 • DINNER \$6.99

FREE T-SHIRT

WITH ANY 2 LARGE 15" SPECIALTY PIZZAS!

2 FOR 1 DRAFT BEER AND HOUSE WINE*

Pepperoni Classico
Margarita Classico
Hawaiian • Barbeque Chicken
Fire & Stone Supreme
Fire & Stone Signature
Veggie Special • Bianca • Temptation
Surfer's Special • Memories of Italy
Meat Lovers • Italian "Meat Lovers"
Pesto Pizza

Free Sundae with pizza bar*!

HAPPY HOUR ALL DAY • OPEN 7 DAYS A WEEK

MON-SAT 11-10 • SUN 12-9

10519 Cortez Road W. • Cortez
941-792-5300 • Takeout Available
*conditions apply • Please expect wait at peak times



Wednesday, April 28

11 a.m. — Einstein Circle discussion about U.S. foreign policy at the Studio at Gulf and Pine, 10101 Gulf Drive, Anna Maria. Information: 941-359-4296.

5 p.m. — Anna Maria Island Chamber of Commerce business card exchange at the Anna Maria Historical Society, 402 Pine Ave., Anna Maria. Information: 941-778-1541. Fee applies.

Friday, April 30

6 p.m. — Family night film screening of "Relating with Money" at Crosspointe Fellowship, 8605 Gulf Drive, Holmes Beach. Information: 941-778-0719.

Saturday, May 1

3 p.m. — Anna Maria Island Relay for Life begins at Coquina Beach, Bradenton Beach. Information: 941-518-4431.

Sunday, May 2

7 a.m. — Children's Academy of Southwest Florida Inc. annual Island Run 5k begins at Bayfront Park in Anna Maria. Information: 941-798-8862.

Monday, May 3

6:30 p.m. — Artists Guild of Anna Maria Island meeting at the Episcopal Church of the Annunciation, 4408 Gulf Drive, Holmes Beach. Information: 941-778-6694.

Tuesday, May 4

Noon — The Rotary Club of Anna Maria Island meeting with guest Ava Ehde, Island Library Supervisor, at the BeachHouse Restaurant, 200 Gulf Drive, Bradenton Beach.

Wednesday, May 5

11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. — Anna Maria Island Chamber of Commerce business luncheon at the Sun House Restaurant, 111 Gulf Drive S., Bradenton Beach. Information: 941-778-1541. Fee applies.

1:15 p.m. — Gulf Coast Writers meeting at the Island Branch Library, 5701 Marina Drive, Holmes Beach. Information: 941-778-7631.

Ongoing:

• First Monday of each month, 6:30 p.m., Artists Guild of Anna Maria at the Episcopal Church of the Annunciation, 4408 Gulf Drive, Holmes Beach.

• The first and third Mondays of each month, the American Legion Post 24, 2005 75th St. W., Bradenton, hosts dinners for the public. Fee applies. Information:



Church hosts art exhibition

All Angels by the Sea Episcopal Church Art Gallery will host an exhibit of Barbara Schicitano's work from May 1 through June 30. A reception will take place at 4:30 p.m. May 12 at the gallery, 563 Bay Isles Road, Longboat Key. For more information, call 941-383-8161.

941-794-3390.

• Tuesdays, 12:30 p.m., Anna Maria Duplicate Bridge Club at the Episcopal Church of the Annunciation, 4408 Gulf Drive, Holmes Beach. Information: 941-778-0504.

• Tuesdays, 4 p.m., Inquiring Minds non-denominational group meets at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, 6608 Marina Drive, Holmes Beach, through April. Information: 941-778-4579.

• Wednesdays, 6 to 8 p.m., teens meet at the Anna Maria Island Community Center, 407 Magnolia Ave., Anna Maria. Information: 941-778-1908.

• Wednesdays, 1 to 3 p.m., Irish Dancers host dances with instruction at the Tequila Beach Sports Grille, 7423 Manatee Ave. W., Bradenton. Information: 941-778-2416. Partners not required.

• Alternating Wednesdays, 11 a.m., memory loss support group at the Longboat Island Chapel Aging in Paradise Resource Center, 6200 Gulf of Mexico Drive, Longboat Key. Information: 941-383-6491.

• The third Wednesday of each month, noon, the Anna Maria Island Garden Club meets at Roser Memorial Community Church, 512 Pine Ave., Anna Maria. Information: 941-778-2809.

• Wednesdays and Saturdays, 9 a.m., players pitch horseshoes in the pits at Anna Maria City Hall, 10005 Gulf Drive, Anna Maria. Information: 941-708-6130.

• Fridays, 11 a.m., Over 39ers group meets at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, 6608 Marina Drive, Holmes Beach. Information: 941-778-1813.

• Saturdays, 8:30 a.m., Kiwanis Club of Anna Maria Island meets at Cafe on the Beach, Manatee Public Beach, Holmes Beach.

• Saturdays, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Open-air market at 107 Bridge St., Bradenton Beach, through May. Information: 941-518-4431.

OFF-ISLAND EVENTS

Thursday, April 29

7 p.m. — Visions of the Future Film Series: "Fahrenheit 451," South Florida Museum, 201 10th St. W., Bradenton. Information: 941-746-4131 ext. 27. Fee applies.

7 p.m. — Outdoor Spring Fling concert at State College of Florida, 5840 26th St. W., Bradenton. Information: 941-752-5252. Fee applies.

Friday, April 30

6:30 p.m. — Cuban trade program at the South Florida Museum, 201 10th St. W., Bradenton. Information: 813-396-2327.

Saturday, May 1

6 p.m. — Geckofest Gala Dinner Auction at Courtyard by Marriott Riverfront, 100 Riverfront Drive W., Bradenton. Information: 941-746-4131. Proceeds benefit school visual arts programs.

Coming Up:

• May 6, Visions of the Future Film Series: "Planet of the Apes," South Florida Museum.

• May 8, Sarasota Bay Watch Sister Keys clean-up.

• May 8, Kids fishing contest, Green Bridge fishing pier.

• May 12, Art reception, All Angels by the Sea Episcopal Church Art Gallery, Longboat Key.

Save the Date:

• May 13, St. Bernard Catholic Church and Episcopal Church of the Annunciation women's luncheon.

• May 15, Crosspointe Fellowship women's group meeting.

• May 15, Privateers-Snooks Adams Kids Day.

• May 21, Bootleg concert, State Theatre.

Send calendar announcements to diana@islander.org. Please include the time, date and location of the event, a brief description and a contact via e-mail and phone.

with this ad: **\$2.00 OFF ANY 16" PIZZA**

CostaVile
N.Y. Style Pizza, Baked Subs, Pastas...
Beer & Wine Bar
(941)778-6455
101 Bridge Street (Corner of Gulf of Mexico Drive) Bradenton Beach

ENGLISH MUFFIN BREAKFAST COMBO
Any egg muffin melt and coffee
ONLY \$2.50!

SUBWAY
3232 East Bay Drive
Next to Walgreens
778-7878

HURRICANE LIQUORS
FULL LIQUOR STORE • LIQUOR-BEER-WINE
941-779-BEER
5344 Gulf Drive • Holmes Beach

WWW.ISLANDER.ORG

THE REAL GERMAN RESTAURANT ON FLORIDA'S WEST COAST

Old Hamburg Schnitzelhaus
FRI & SAT
OVEN-FRESH BAVARIAN
HAXEN
CALL AHEAD TO RESERVE

DINNER HOURS: MON-SAT 5-9PM • 778-1320
Anna Maria Island Centre • 3246 E. Bay Drive • Holmes Beach

BEACH BISTRO
Surfside ... Anna Maria Island

941-778-6444 www.BeachBistro.com

a.p. bell fish company inc.

Fresh Seafood Since 1910
Great selection of locally caught Grouper, Snapper, Shrimp, Panfish and much more.
Planning a fishing trip? Call about our big selection of frozen bait!

DISCOUNT PRICES EVERYDAY
See you at our docks!

941-794-1249
4600 124th St. W.
Cortez, Florida

Preserve visitor center to open May 1

By Nick Walter
Islander Reporter

The blue-and-white-trimmed Victorian-style house at Robinson Preserve in northwest Bradenton will have its grand opening at 9 a.m. Saturday, May 1.

County construction workers have finished the work that began in 2008.

“My crews put a lot of work into this,” said Jay Fortney, superintendent of Manatee County’s construction division. “We’ve got a lot of blood and sweat in this project.”

The structure formerly housed the Valentine family in Palmetto. Fortney said the home was built in the late 1800s.

“The original owner loved it, of course,” Fortney said.

Those owners, along with the Manatee County Board of County Commissioners, will be on hand for the grand opening, and the public is encouraged to attend.

Fortney said the house would have been demolished and preserved for its historical value. Because of its old age, it was sold to the county for \$1. In September 2007, it was moved from Terra Ceia by barge on the Manatee River to Robinson Preserve.



Jay Fortney works on renovations at the new visitor center at Robinson Preserve. The house was preserved from demolition, and now includes rest rooms, a history room and a discovery room with aquarium, exhibits and photographs. *Islander Photos: Nick Walter*

Fortney added that the house has been restored as close as possible to its original construction.

Charlie Hunsicker, Manatee County director of the natural resources, said the center includes bathrooms, a history room, a discovery room with an aquarium, exhibits and photographs. The center also will be host to daytime and nighttime events, such as wedding receptions.

County workers also are finishing a ramp that will be a queue for people awaiting a wagon-trail ride through the preserve.

Preserve volunteers had been using a portable ramp for one year. “That got to be quite a bind,” Hunsicker said.

Melissa Nell, the natural resource department’s manager of education and volunteer division, said the one-hour wagon rides are offered two days a month. Prices are \$3 for adults and \$2 for children. The wagon that holds 20-25 people winds through a portion of the preserve. Wagons also are available for rent for private tours for about \$100.

Hunsicker said the department still plans on

adding a parking lot that would hold up to 15 vehicles by the humpback bridge on Manatee Avenue. He said his department planned on presenting its ideas at the April 27 county commission meeting at the city administrative center in downtown Bradenton.



A Manatee County worker drills boards April 14 for the wagon-trail ramp at Robinson Preserve.



The Valentine house-Robinson Preserve visitor center makes its way in 2007 to the preserve on a barge from Palmetto on the Manatee River. *Islander File Photo: Lisa Neff*

MR. BONES

WINNER OF TRAVELOCITY TOP INSIDER SPOT IN USA FOR 2007!

THE BEST RIBS!

VEGETARIAN DISHES!

INDIAN SPECIALTIES!

Lunch and Dinner Take-out, Too

(941) 778-6614

3007 Gulf Drive Holmes Beach

Whitney Beach Deli & Liquors
Under new management

ISABELLE'S NOW SIZZLES
Famed restaurateur Linda Loscaizo returns to Whitney Beach Deli as Manager and Operator

- **Wednesday Night: Homemade Mexican Food!**
Margaritas & Live Music 5:30-8:30 PM
- Live Music Sunday 9:30 AM-Noon
- Bar Light Bites
- Dinner Specials Daily

383-7180 • Open Mon-Sat 7am-10pm • Sunday 7am-8pm

LIQUOR STORE HOURS

- Wine Sales Daily • Full Liquor Store • Ice Cold Beer

383-4888 • Open Mon-Sat 8am-8pm • Sunday 8am-6pm

6810-6860 Gulf of Mexico Drive
Whitney Beach Plaza, Longboat Key

HARRY'S
Continental Kitchens

- Restaurant (Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner)
- Famous Gourmet Deli & Take-Out
- Custom Catering
- Corner Store (a convenient store plus more!)

5600 Gulf of Mexico Drive • Longboat Key
HarrysKitchen.com (941)383-0777

\$2

ANNA MARIA ISLAND, FLA

AMI

WWW.ISLANDER.ORG

WE HAVE AMI STICKERS

Get yours at The Islander 5404 Marina Drive • Holmes Beach

CORTEZ BAIT AND SEAFOOD
RETAIL FISH MARKET

Great selection of seafood—oysters, shrimp, clams, smoked mullet, smoked salmon, fish spread, and more!

SCAMP, BLACK, GAG GROUPE AND STONE CRABS AT MARKET PRICE

HOG SNAPPER WHEN AVAILABLE!

Hey, how about something for mom!

Family owned and operated

119th St. W. on the Cortez Waterfront
Turn at 119th St. traffic light, follow road to end.
Mon 10-5 • Tues-Sat. 10-6 • Sunday 11-5 • 794-1547

Since 1967

MOORE'S

STONE CRAB RESTAURANT

LONGBOAT'S PREMIER WATERFRONT RESTAURANT

Where the locals and tourists alike, have enjoyed the freshest seafood and most spectacular bayfront views for over 43 years!

Bar Specials & 9 dinners for \$9⁹⁹ 11:30 am - 5:30 pm

WE HAVE FRESH STONE CRAB CLAWS!
(above specials not valid with other coupons or discounts)

Happy hour 4-6pm!

Open 11:30-9:30 ~ 7 days a week
Call ahead seating & reservations for 6 or more
By land or sea: 800 Broadway St., Longboat Key
941-383-1748

Longboat's Longest Family Established Restaurant

Volleyball players flock to the beach

By Kevin Cassidy
Islander Reporter

With the school and the indoor volleyball season winding down and the arrival of warm weather, people are flocking to the beach in droves — and some are there to play volleyball in the sand.

A lot of play is the traditional 4-6 person volleyball, but many are there to play beach doubles, and it's a great way to improve their skills for the competitive season.

Beach doubles date back to the 1930s in Santa Monica, Calif., and is a more athletically demanding sport than its indoor counterpart. For starters, there's a lot more ground to cover with only two players, and movement in the sand is more difficult. A player can really improve his or her movement and jumping ability in this game.

A recent Saturday over spring break at the Manatee Public Beach in Holmes Beach saw at least 60 people waiting their turn to play. With only two nets at the "PB" — compared to 10 courts at Siesta Key beach — players need to arrive early and win the court. Lose and you could be waiting a long time to come up for another contest.

Serious players can also look forward to competing in the Dig the Beach Tournament for player levels from professional down to juniors.

Though the tournament season got started in early March, there are a few tournaments coming up, starting May 22-23 on Siesta Key when the Dig the Beach series comes to town. The tournaments follow a format for professionals on down to B-level players on Saturdays, while Sundays are reserved for coed teams and junior divisions.

Other dates for the Dig the Beach Series include June 5-6 in Fort Myers, June 26-27 at Clearwater Beach and July 10-11 with a return to Siesta Key. For more information on the Dig the Beach, go to www.usavfl.org/outdoorFP.htm.

Key Royale golf news

The Key Royale Club held its 42nd golf awards presentation on April 17. The honorees and their guests enjoyed the pep rally-themed party as golf committee chairman Craig Humphreys and club vice president Quentin Talbert presented awards.

Club champion Mark Mixon was recognized along with runner-up Web Cutting. Also recognized were women's club champion Joy Kaiser and runner-up Jean Holmes.

Larry Pipple was the 18-hole handicap tournament champ, while Merritt Fineout took second place. Judy Crowe was the nine-hole, women's handicap tourney champ with Judy Christensen runner up.

Clare Talbert and Merritt Fineout were recognized as the mixed-couple champs along with Joyce Reith and Cutting in second.

Bob Lang captured the men's President Cup with Ernie Hauser taking second, and Tootie Wagner won the women's President's Cup over Mary Miller.



Henry Chen passes the ball to teammate Vince Steffler during a recent Saturday of volleyball at the Manatee Public Beach. *Islander Photos: Kevin Cassidy*

Last, but not least, Chuck Montgomery was recognized for his Dec. 7 hole-in-one made on number seven. Congratulations to all.

The women of the Key Royale Club played a nine-hole, individual-low-net game April 20. Penny Williams captured Flight AA with a 2-underpar 30 that gave her a two-shot advantage over second place finisher Sandy Tocco. One shot back in a tie for third were Sue Hookem and Cindy Miller at 33.

Joyce Brown and Mary Selby both carded even-par 32 to finish in a tie for first place in Flight A.

Second place also produced a tie between Sara Falk and Patty Townsend with matching 33s.

Sue Christensen burned up the Key Royale track with a 6-underpar 26 to win Flight B by four shots over second-place finisher Jan Turner, who carded a 2-under 30. Denise Burkhardt and Dorothy McKinna tied for third place at 1-over 33.

Barb Harrold and Joanne Ozdych carded matching, 3-under-par 29s to tie for first place in Flight C. Liz Lang was one shot back in second place, while Terry Westby was alone in third with an even-par 32.

Joanne Brouger fired a 2-under-par 30 to win Flight D by one shot over Judy Huason in second place. Nell Bergstrom and Jane Winegarden tied for third with 33s.

Horseshoe news

Four teams emerged from pool play to battle it out in the elimination round during horseshoe action on April 24 at the Anna Maria City Hall horseshoe pits. Walker Norm Good advanced to the finals with an easy 22-14 victory over Rod Bussey and Steve Doyle. The other semifinal saw Herb Puryear and Jerry Disbrow slip past Dave Lansaw and John Crawford 21-20. In the finals, which saw several six-packs from both teams, Disbrow-Puryear prevailed over Good 21-13.

The April 21 games saw three teams qualify for the knockout round, with Fritz Erdich and Herb Puryear earning a bye into the finals. Jerry Disbrow and Rod Bussey rolled past Karl Thomas and Marvin Gangemy 23-5. They followed up on that victory with a 21-2 drubbing of Erdich-Puryear to claim the day's bragging rights.

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.

For more on sports, including Anna Maria Island Community Center baseball and basketball league schedules, visit www.islander.org.



Vince Steffler goes high to spike the ball during a recent weekend beach volleyball matchup.

Nearshore Fishing
Half | Full | Custom

Captain Logan Bystrom
Fishing Charters - Holmes Beach, Fla.
locally grown

www.captainlogan.com
loganbystrom@aol.com
941-713-1265

USCG Licensed and Insured

THE DAMN YANKEE
Florida Fishing with a Maine Accent
December thru May

Half Day or Full Day Rates
License, Tackle, Bait Included

Sightseeing • Island Cruises • Wildlife • Historic Egmont Key
All fishing clients are entitled 25% discount off all lodging rates at our wilderness camp - Located in the Mt. Katahdin region of Maine. Check us out - whitehouselanding.com

USCG Licensed Capt. Bill Ware, Jr.
C- 207-745-5116 • H-941-778-4961

Make one stop to shop for the Dock!
MARINE DOCKTOR
Sales • Service • Supplies & More

- Jet Ski Lifts & Boat Lifts
- Remote Controls
- Stainless Motors
- Cables and Switches
- Dock Accessories
- Piling Cones
- Aluminum Ladders

Open Mon-Fri 8-4,
Saturday by Appointment
12044 Cortez Rd. W, (941) 792-7657
marinedocktor@msn.com

River Run

GOLF LINKS
April 2010
7am-1pm \$40.50 + tax
After 1pm \$29.50 + tax
Green Fee and 1/2 Cart
708-6331 • 7 Day Advanced Tee Time
1801 27th St. E, Bradenton

SNOOK • REDFISH • KINGFISH • FLOUNDER • TARPON

FISHY BUSINESS

LIGHT TACKLE SPORTFISHING
CAPT. RICK GROSS
794-3308
CELL 730-5148
1/2 DAY & FULL DAY CHARTERS
Catcher's Marina - 5501 Marina Dr., Holmes Beach, FL

TROUT • PERMIT • COBIA
SHEEPHEAD • TARPON
GROUPER • SNAPPER • KINGFISH • COBIA • TROUT

INSHORE SPORTFISHING CHARTER BOAT

Compleat Angler

Full & Half Day Trips
Custom Trips Available
U.S.C.G. Licensed
Custom-built Privateer
Fishing License, Ice, Bait & Tackle Furnished

Captain Steven Salgado
Owner/Operator
Lifetime experience in local waters

Anna Maria Island
Florida
778-9712

Tarpon on the verge of invading beach waters

By Nick Walter
Islander Reporter

Tarpon fishers are frothing at the mouth at word that the silver kings are loaded up in Charlotte Harbor and the Everglades. That means in a week or so, the bruisers will be rolling off Anna Maria Island beaches. Water temperatures in the nearshore Gulf last week were at 71 degrees. Once that temperature reaches about 73 degrees, look for the probable arrival of tarpon.

Bait is loaded up offshore and anglers are enjoying fast action on nearshore reefs and wrecks with cobia, kingfish and other fish. It has been an unusually good cobia season, with numerous reports of 50-90 pound cobia.

Capt. Warren Girle said he's still fishing the same five redfish in north Sarasota Bay. He said most of the schooling fish are over the slot. There also were some big groups of redfish on the east shoreline. "I think a lot of the legal fish have been taken home," Girle said. He added that there are still a lot of trout and Spanish mackerel in the bays, but no pompano in the areas he's fished. "We didn't skip any this week," Girle said. "I would think that New Pass, Big Pass and the Middle-grounds (in Sarasota Bay) has pompano."

Offshore, Girle reported cobia on the 3- and 7-mile reefs, as well as keeper grouper, mangrove snapper, Key West grunts and porgies in 40-50 feet of water. He said kingfish have been skyrocketing through baitfish. "In the middle of Sarasota Bay and on the west shoreline, there were a ton of nice-size



Bill Starrett of Anna Maria, left, and Gary Huffman caught this 38-inch snook wade-fishing with a live sardine on light tackle near Long Bar in Sarasota Bay. *Islander Photo: Courtesy George Kyd*

shiners," Girle said.

James Followell from the **Sunshine Skyway south fishing pier** said he has been seeing Spanish mackerel, pompano, grouper and a few kingfish.

Capt. Zach Zacharias of the **DEE JAY II** out of **Parrot Cove Marina** said angling action has busted loose, and the hardest decision to make each morning is what species to target. He said bait is plentiful most days, and there is a good range of sizes and species.

He said the wind relaxed most of the week and his clients enjoyed action with kingfish, Spanish mackerel, cobia and pompano, along with a variety of hard-bottom critters.

Inshore, he reported excellent results with spotted sea trout, flounder, mackerel and pompano. Redfish have been plentiful in the area and are beginning to show signs of settling and feeding. A handful of snook have been boated and released. "They are starting to show up on the flats more and more, but their pattern is still well behind what it should be at this date," Zacharias said. "I feel the FWC made the right decision to close down spring snooking this year and I encourage anglers to leave them be as much as possible during the spawn."

Bob Kilb from **Rod & Reel Pier** said anglers have been catching a lot of Spanish mackerel, few pompano and an occasional black drum. "There's so much trash fish around the pier that you can't fish hardly," Kilb said. "The pinfish are terrible."

Capt. Logan Bystrom said now that the bait is in the area and the winds have been kicking up, he's been kite-fishing and live-bait fishing the nearshore reefs and wrecks for kingfish, Spanish mackerel, sharks and cobia.

Capt. Larry McGuire of **Show Me the Fish Charters** said he has been catching a little of everything — big gag grouper, mangrove snapper, a lot of

kingfish, cobia to 40 pounds, amberjack and blacktip and sand sharks. Depending on the trip, he's been catching kingfish at 7 miles, grouper 7-30 miles, cobia around 12 miles and amberjack about 30 miles. "So there's fish everywhere," McGuire said.

Capt. Mark Howard of **SumoTime Fishing Charters** said the springtime fishing is hitting its peak with a plethora of species feeding heavily. Spanish mackerel continue to flood into the deep grass areas of Tampa Bay with some fish weighing in the 5-pound range. He said shiners are on the flats, and anglers can chum with Purina tropical fish food to entice premium baits into cast-net range.

He added that big threadfins are in 6-8 feet of water, and kingfish are off our coast anywhere from near shore to 8 miles out. "Look for the diving birds to give away their location," Howard said. "Shark fishing is coming on strong with blacktips, spinners and lemons cruising the bay and passes. Speckled trout have been chewing ferociously when the tide has been moving. Their sizes have varied from 14-26 inches."

Send fishing news and photos to fish@islander.org.



Nice bite

Caleb Helmer of Anna Maria caught this 6-foot black tip shark last week while surf-casting with a chunk of ladyfish off the beach in Holmes Beach. Helmer said he successfully released the shark. *Islander Photo: Zack Geeraerts*

Date	AM HIGH	PM HIGH	AM LOW	PM LOW
April 28	1:19 1.6	11:38 2.6	5:22 1.0	7:09 -0.4
April 29	2:14 1.4	12:07 2.7	5:41 1.1	7:52 -0.5
April 30	3:10 1.3	12:40 2.7	5:58 1.2	8:37 -0.4
May 1	4:11 1.3	1:15 2.6	6:13 1.2	9:24 -0.3
May 2	1:55 2.5	—	10:14 -0.2	—
May 3	2:40 2.4	—	11:08 -0.1	—
May 4	3:34 2.1	—	—	—
May 5	8:39 1.4	4:46 1.9	12:04 0.0	10:31 1.3

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

SUMOTIME CHARTERS

Captain Mark Howard
941-704-6763
sumotimefishing.com

**Snook • Trout • Redfish
Tarpon • Grouper • Shark**

FISHING CHARTERS
Capt. Warren Girle

Inshore Redfish Snook *Offshore* Snapper Grouper

Light Tackle • Fly

Over 30 years experience in local waters • USCG Licensed
Full / Half Day Trips • 941.387.8383 (H) • 941.232.8636 (C)

CAPT. MEKE'S CHARTERS

Gulf/Bay Fishing Local Guide Mike Greig 778-1404

CHRISTIE'S PLUMBING
RESIDENTIAL / COMMERCIAL

Serving the Island, LBK, Manatee & Sarasota Counties since 1975

REPAIRS & REMODELING • NEW CONSTRUCTION
EMERGENCY SERVICE • FREE ESTIMATES
WATER HEATERS • SEWER & DRAIN CLEANING
CERTIFY AND INSTALL BACK FLOWS
NO EXTRA CHARGE FOR OVERTIME

778-3924 OR 778-4461
5508 MARINA DRIVE, HOLMES BEACH
LOCATED IN THE BACK OF THE BUILDING

OPEN SAT.

Have fun cruising local waters!

gnarly mangrove

COASTAL CRUISES

CG Licensed Captain Don Meilner
Prices start at just \$15/hour per person!
941.778.3875 • www.gnarlymangrove.com

JUST 4 FUN RENT:

BOATS BIKES KAYAKS SUNBED

5358 Gulf Drive, Holmes Beach, S&S Plaza
941-896-7884

Island Biz

By Rick Catlin



Grandma Skinny turns 91

Janice "Grandma Skinny" Freeman of Skinny's Place in Holmes Beach will soon celebrate her 93rd birthday. She first came to Anna Maria Island in 1936 on her honeymoon and in 1952 she and her husband opened the restaurant, then named Mid-Island Drive Inn. Skinny's will celebrate her birthday this weekend. *Islander Photo: Courtesy Freeman Family*

Harry's tasting for Red Cross

Harry's Continental Kitchens, 525 St. Jude Drive, Longboat Key, will hold a wine tasting event from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Wednesday, April 28 to benefit the Manatee Chapter of the American Red Cross.

Owner/chef Harry Christensen will present a buffet of his specially made appetizers and culinary delights.

A \$10 per-person donation is requested and this includes the opportunity to sample a large selection of international wines from Harry's Deli and wine cellar. All wines purchased at the deli during the event will be discounted 20 percent.

For more information, call 941-383-0777, send an e-mail to info@harryskitchen.com or look online at www.harryskitchen.com.

Chamber events in May

The Anna Maria Island Chamber of Commerce will hold its May business luncheon from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Wednesday, May 5, at the Sun House



Chamber, flower designers cut ribbon

The Anna Maria Island Chamber of Commerce held a ribbon-cutting ceremony April 20 for Flower Girls of Sarasota, 1269 First St., Sarasota. Owners Debra Lemieux (center, left) and Annie Scheufler (center, right) cut the ribbon. Guests toured the floral design facility and enjoyed refreshments. *Islander Photo: Courtesy AMI Chamber*

Restaurant, 111 Gulf Drive, Bradenton Beach.

The cost is \$15 per person and reservations are required.

On Wednesday, May 12, from 7:45 a.m. to 9 a.m. the chamber will hold its Sunrise Breakfast at The Gathering Place Family Restaurant, 101 Seventh St. N., Bradenton Beach.

The cost is \$8 per person and reservations are required.

The chamber's monthly business card exchange will be 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Wednesday, May 26, and is hosted by the Historic Bridge Street Merchants Association, 117 Bridge St., Bradenton Beach.

The cost is \$5 per person and members may bring a guest.

For more information on all chamber events, call

941-778-1541.

Antiques, art celebrated at Whitney Beach fair

The Whitney Plaza, 6828 Gulf of Mexico Drive, Longboat Key, will hold an antique and art fair from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday, May 1-2.

Local artists will be featured, along with organic produce, exotic orchids and antiques, event organizer Stephanie Claussen of Steff's Stuff said.

Parking is free and there is no charge for admission.

For more information, call Stephanie at 941-383-1901.

Got a new business going up in Anna Maria Island, Cortez, Palma Sola, west Bradenton or Longboat Key? How about a new product or service, an anniversary, a new hire, or an award-winning staff member? Call Island Biz at 941-778-7978, fax your news to 866-362-9821, or e-mail us at news@islander.org.

Island real estate transactions

1909 Bay Drive N., Bradenton Beach, a 3,092 sfla / 4,592 sfur 4bed/2½bath/2car bayfront pool home built in 2007 on a 99x100 lot was sold 04/09/10, McKee to Ball for \$1,350,000; list \$1,599,000.

529 74th St., Holmes Beach, a 3,197 sfla / 4,548 sfur 4bed/2bath/2car canalfront pool home built in 1958 on a 140x150 lot was sold 04/07/10, Harper to Tenhaaf for \$400,000.

217 82nd St., Holmes Beach, a 2,039 sfla / 2,529 sfur 3bed/2bath home built in 1953 on a 90x90 lot was sold 04/05/10, Hueber to Deschak for \$400,000.

600 Manatee Ave., Unit 107, Westbay Cove, Holmes Beach, a 1,222 sfla / 1,578 sfur 2bed/2bath condo with shared pool built in 1977 was sold 04/07/10, Maynard to Uhlman for \$400,000.

704 Jacaranda Road, Anna Maria, a 932 sfla / 1,360 sfur 2bed/2bath/1car home built in 1968 on a 50x150 lot was sold 04/09/10, Kosfeld to Hullinger for \$365,000; list \$399,900.

1801 Gulf Drive N., Unit 138, Runaway Bay, Bradenton Beach, a 1,080 sfla / 1,140 sfur 2bed/2bath condo with shared pool built in 1978 was sold 04/05/10, Finelli to Waterman for \$244,000.

2811 Gulf Drive, Holmes Beach, a 973 sfla / 2,404 sfur 2bed/2bath home built in 1979 on a 50x100 lot was sold 04/07/10, Sheffield to Twigg for \$230,000; list \$275,000.

3607 E. Bay Drive, Unit 107, Sandy Point, Holmes Beach, a 980 sfla / 1,040 sfur 2bed/2bath condo with shared pool built in 1996 was sold 04/05/10, Kryszczuk to Morel for \$139,900; list \$155,000.

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 2010



Paint job for general store

The Anna Maria General Store, 407 Pine Ave., Anna Maria, has new owners, a new sign and signature colors to make the store recognizable. Owners Mike and Lizzie Vann Thrasher also have remodeled the interior and have other plans for the city's only general store. *Islander Photo: Lisa Neff*

Supermarket to the rescue

Volunteers from the Publix grocery store on Longboat Key recently helped landscape and clean up at the Save Our Seabirds sanctuary in Sarasota. The sanctuary is located east of Mote Marine Aquarium on the site of the former Pelican Man's Bird Sanctuary. For more information, visit www.saveourseabirds.org. *Islander Photo: Courtesy SOS*



ISLANDER CLASSIFIEDS

ITEMS FOR SALE

COSCO CAR SEAT: New, good quality. Paid \$90, sell, \$35. 941-778-1264.

SUMP PUMP: NEW never used. Dry out basements, etc. \$15. 941-778-4783.

EXTRA LARGE CARRIER attaches to SUV, truck, car hitch. Carry luggage, coolers, etc. Attachment to carry two bikes, \$20. 941-778-4783.

SMALL 14-INCH Magnovox TV with remote. Rarely used, like new. \$30, firm. Call 941-778-0364.

BIRD CAGE: 18x18x24 on a 26-inch stand with wheels. \$50. 941-778-1127.

PAIR OF FLOOR lamps, \$15 each, two for \$25. Round, glass-top coffee table, \$75. 941-792-3284.

DRESSER: WHITE, SIX-drawers, \$20. 941-778-4451.

HOTPOINT REFRIGERATOR: WHITE, 18 cubic feet, 28-inches wide, excellent condition, works great. \$90. Call 941-962-8220.

WHIRLPOOL WASHER/DRYER: Stackable, white, 24-inches wide, compact and perfect for small area. Excellent condition. \$100. Call 941-962-8220.

MORE CLASSIFIEDS equals more readers.

ITEMS FOR SALE Continued

AERIAL PHOTOS of Anna Maria Island. View and purchase online: www.jackelka.com.

COMMERCIAL RESTAURANT SUPPLIES: Ice machine: install and service \$2,100. You pick up, \$1,600. Assorted stainless shelves: \$75. Six-burner gas cooktop and charbroiler: \$1,800. 941-730-2606.

FREEBIE ITEMS FOR SALE: Individuals may advertise up to three items, each priced \$100 or less, 15 words or less. FREE, one week. Deliver in person to The Islander, 5404 Marina Drive, Holmes Beach, e-mail classifieds@islander.org, fax toll-free 1-866-362-9821. (limited time offer)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GLORIA DEI LUTHERAN Church: All are welcome to come and worship with us! Please call 941-778-1813 or visit us at: www.gloriadeilutheran.com for worship times. 6608 Marina Drive, Holmes Beach.

THEY'RE BACK! EVERY Monday night all-you-can-eat fish fry. \$10. Live entertainment. Tiki bar open. Bayside Banquet Hall, 4628 119th St. W., Cortez, end of road.

TERRY HAYES, REALTOR. Signature Sothebys International. 941-302-3100. Terry.hayes@sothebysrealty.com. Discoverannamaria.com.

ANNOUNCEMENTS Continued

HAITI \$\$\$ DONATIONS to the Ministry of Presence Inc., www.ministryofpresence.org, urgently needed for local representatives to aid homeless children. Info: The Islander, 941-778-7978.

WANTED: YOUR OLD cell phone for recycling. Deliver to The Islander, 5404 Marina Drive, Holmes Beach.

FISHING GEAR WANTED: The Privateers and The Islander are collecting new or used, repairable fishing poles and reels, nets, tackle, buckets, etc. to give to children. Donate your gear at The Islander newspaper office, 5404 Marina Drive, Holmes Beach.

FREE GUN LOCK courtesy of Project Childsafe, Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission and Holmes Beach Police Department. Pick up at The Islander office, 5404 Marina Drive, Holmes Beach. Don't be sorry, be safe.

GARAGE SALE

ROSER THRIFT SHOP: Open 9:30 a.m.-2 p.m. Tuesday, Thursday, 9 a.m.-noon Saturday. 511 Pine Ave., Anna Maria. 941-779-2733.

SALE: 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, May 1-2. Furniture, collectibles, dishes. 502 72nd St., Holmes Beach.

Betsy Hills Real Estate, Inc.
SALES & RENTALS
(941) 778-2291
 419 Pine Ave. • Anna Maria
www.betsyhills.com

Gulf Bay Realty of Anna Maria Inc.
Jesse Brisson - Broker Associate, GRI
 941-713-4755 800-771-6043

101x107 Lot zoned R2 in Holmes Beach \$369,000

Large lot in city of Anna Maria \$399,000

Newer Condo with Gulf Views \$369,000

Canalfront pool home in Anna Maria \$790,000

2BD/2BA pool home with boat slip \$625,000

Gulfview condo in 55+ Community \$289,000

Call Jesse Brisson
941-713-4755.

CHOICE OF LOTS!

Remove small structure at 7002 Marina Dr., Holmes Beach, and create two lovely attached units on 11,000sqft. Plus lot zoned duplex. Included is vacant land on south end of property, and room for a pool, ONLY \$379,000.

LAST LOT IN COCONUT BAYOU SUB. In Anna Maria. Spacious natural canal lot in area of very nice homes and close to beach, shopping & trolley stop. Asking \$499,000 & available terms.

Anna Maria Realty
 "We ARE the Island!"
 SINCE 1957
 Marie Franklin, Lic. Real Estate Broker
 941 778-2259 Fax 941 778-2250
 E-mail amrealty@verizon.net
 Web site www.annamariareal.com

Prudential Palms Realty
Michelle Musto, PA Realtor
 941-809-3714
www.michellemusto.com

63 TIDY ISLAND BLVD, BAY VIEWS
 BAY VIEWS! 3BR/2.5BA townhouse, 3,218 sf, den, fireplace, wet bar, Italian Lube kitchen, 24-hr guard gate. \$625,000. ML#A375310
 email: michellemusto@prudentialpalmsrealty.com

HAROLD SMALL REALTOR®
 Office: (941) 778-2246 • (941) 792-8628
 E-mail: haroldsmall@wagnerrealty.com

WAGNER REALTY
 Bringing People Home Since 1939
 2217 GULF DRIVE NORTH • BRADENTON BEACH, FL

T. Dolly Young
 REAL ESTATE REALTOR.
 36 Years of Professional Service to Anna Maria Island and Bradenton

EXPERIENCE REPUTATION RESULTS

HERONS WATCH 8 min. to beaches. Lakeview, 3BR/2BA, Stone Fireplace, Corian & other upgrades. Room for a pool. \$299,900.

3 MIN. TO BEACH. Perico Island 2BR/2BA, large greatroom with cathedral ceilings, private courtyard and enclosed lanai, Jacuzzi tub & more. \$259,500.

CANAL-FRONT LOT. Holmes Beach. \$400,000.

RENTALS:

LUXURY GULF-FRONT VILLAS. Anna Maria. Weekly & monthly.

8 MIN. TO GULF BEACH. 3/2, 5 yrs. old \$1,300/mo Annual.

RIVER OAKS 2BR/2BA seasonal, tennis, pool, clubhouse. \$1,700/mo.

CANALFRONT 2BR/2BA, family room, garage. Seasonal.

CANALFRONT 3BR/2BA bayview, pool, boatdock, \$2,900/mo. Seasonal.

GULFRONT 5BR/4.5BA, Wedding/reunions, seasonal/vacations.

HOLMES BEACH • 941-778-0807
yrealty3@aol.com • www.tdollyyoungrealestate.com

WWW.ISLANDER.ORG

LISTED AND SOLD IN TWO WEEKS

624 Dundee Lane
 Located in the desirable Key Royale community - 3 bedroom 2 bath canal front pool home.
\$465,000

713 Key Royale Drive
 Endless, panoramic Bay views from this casual 4 bed/4 bath home
\$1,950,000

1702 Gulf Drive N #A
 Beautifully appointed 3 bed/2.5 bath turnkey furnished Gulf front condo
\$1,150,000

301 17th Street N #15
 Exquisite 3 bed/3.5 bath turnkey furnished bayfront Townhouse
\$699,000

RECENTLY SOLD
528 56th Street - Holmes Beach
\$830,000

I take great pride in using my expertise, resources, and global connections to perfectly unite extraordinary places with extraordinary people

1900 Gulf Drive N #11
 Gulf Front 2 bed/2 bath condo - turnkey furnished with Island flair
\$599,000

Karin Stephan
 LEADING INTERNATIONAL SPECIALIST

I make buying and selling a truly pleasurable experience

Signature
Sotheby's
 INTERNATIONAL REALTY
 Sarasota, Florida 34236
 t 941.364.4000
 SignatureSir.com

KARIN STEPHAN
 Realtor®
941.504.4435
Karin.Stephan@sothebysrealty.com
 Sarasota-Islands.com



Sandy's Lawn Service Inc.
 Established in 1983
 Celebrating 25 Years of
 Quality & Dependable Service.
 Call us for your landscape
 and hardscape needs.
 Licensed & Insured

**Sandy's
 Lawn
 Service**
778-1345

Paradise Improvements 778-4173
 Kitchen and Bath Remodeling Specialist
 Replacement Doors and Windows
Steven Kaluza - Andrew Chennault
 Fully Licensed and Insured • Island References
 Lic#CBC056755

Windows & Doors
941-730-5045
 LIC#CBC1253145

RDI CONSTRUCTION INC.
 Residential & Condo Renovations
 Kitchens • Bath • Design Service
 Carpentry • Flooring • Painting
 Commercial & Residential
 References available • 941-720-7519

PLANET STONE
 Marble & Granite Inc.
 Counter tops, vanity tops,
 bar tops and more.
 8700 Cortez Road W., Bradenton 941-580-9236

HONEY DO HOME REPAIR
 941.807.5256-cell • 941.896.5256-office & fax
 Drywall & Texture Repairs • Painting
 Soffit & Siding • Tile & Laminate Flooring
 "We Can Repair or Install Anything With Your Home"
 www.honeydohomerepairinc.com

DAY ASSIST By Day Planners
 HOME & SPECIALTY WATCH SERVICES
 PROFESSIONAL & PERSONAL CONCIERGE
SEAN POWERS
 941.518.6280 • WWW.DAYASSIST.COM • SEAN@DAYASSIST.COM

SLEEP KING
 DISCOUNT SLEEP CENTER
 941-922-5271
Bed: A bargain!
 King, Queen, Full & Twin,
 pre-owned from \$30 new/used.
 941-922-5271
 www.sleepking.net

KERN CONSTRUCTION, INC.
 Additions • Remodels • New Construction
 941-778-1115 • kernconstructioninc.com
SINCE 1966

**Island Limousine and
 Airport Transportation**
 PROMPT, COURTEOUS SERVICE • NEW VEHICLES
941-779-0043
 Livery Insured Airport Permitted

Marianne Correll REALTOR
 The Big Picture...It's all about Real Estate.
 It's a GREAT TIME to buy!
**ISLAND
 REAL ESTATE**
 OF ANNA MARIA ISLAND, INC.
 941-725-7799 • 941-778-6066 • mariannebc@aol.com

ADOPT-A-PET

Hi! I'm Sam (I am),
 a 3-month-old male
 lab mix with brindle
 coat. I am friendly
 and healthy, love
 other dogs, neutered/
 microchipped. \$200
 adoption fee. Call Julie
 @ Royal Pet Rescue,
 941-720-1411.

SPONSORED BY **The Islander**

ISLANDER CLASSIFIEDS

GARAGE SALE Continued

WHITNEY PLAZA ANTIQUE and art fair. Saturday and Sunday, May 1-2. Treasures, local artist, organic produce, exotic orchids and more. Classic car show. 6828 Gulf of Mexico Drive, Longboat Key. Information, 941-383-1901.

GARAGE/MOVING SALE: 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, May 8-9. Salesman's samples: rods and reels, tackle, canoe, 16-foot aluminum Jon boat with 6-hp Johnson outboard, trolling motors, furnishings, printer and lots more. 101 Sunset (off Beach Avenue), Anna Maria.

SALE; NIKI'S TREASURES. ALL sterling and gold jewelry, 50-70 percent off. Select gifts, beach art, antiques, glassware, vintage jewelry, more, 30-80 percent off. Patio sets. Open seven days, 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m. 5351 Gulf Drive, Holmes Beach.

SALE: 7:30 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday, May 1. China, crystal, furniture, sewing, jewelry, Baptist pastor's books, refrigerator, wicker, vintage baby clothes, stained glass, plants, nice clothes, coins, beds. 10015 Spoonbill, Road E., Bradenton, Flamingo Cay.

GIRL SCOUT COOKIE SALE at The Islander, 5404 Marina Drive, Holmes Beach.

LOST and FOUND

FOUND ITEM: DID you lose an item from a moving car in front of the Garden Shop on Marina Drive? Call 941-778-6207 to claim.

LOST: COCKATIEL. White headed. Named Donald. 770 North Shore area, Anna Maria. Flew out door as we came inside. 941-201-6733. jllol-sen@live.com.

LOST: PRESCRIPTION GLASSES. Red rims, lost on Coquina beach, Friday, April 9. Reward. 616-402-5765.

FOUND: MALE TABBY cat with white paws. Found near Holmes Beach Laundromat. Very affectionate. Call Sally at 941-737-9173. Will give away if not claimed.

MENS RING: FOUND, Coquina Beach, April 23. Had spoken to retired police officer that lost a ring. Call after seven, 912-258-1935.

PETS

PARENTS NEEDED for loving homes to foster puppies and kittens until they are old enough for adoption. All food and medical provided. Julie, 941-720-1411.

TRANSPORTATION

2004 WHITE FORD 16-foot box truck with new hydraulic-lift gate (Tommy Gate). Low miles, new tires. \$13,500 pays off loan. Can be seen at Pebble Springs Plaza on Manatee Avenue at the new JamRocks restaurant. Call 941-932-2688 or 383-1222.

PERFECT ISLAND CAR. Lexus 2000 ES 300, 74,000 miles, new paint, service, loaded. \$8,200. 941-552-8330.

BOATS & BOATING

BIMINI BAY SAILING: Small sailboat rentals and instruction. Day. Week. Month. Sunfish, Laser, Zuma and Precision 15. Call Brian at 941-685-1400.

2005 21-FOOT Sea Fox. 150 Mercury with trailer. Moving, must sell. 941-526-3445.

HELP WANTED

SALES ASSOCIATE: MOTIVATED, experienced real estate licensee for busy Island office. Please call Jesse or Robin at 941-778-7244.

KIDS4HIRE

LOOKING FOR A babysitter or pet sitter? Call Kendall, first aid-certified. Great with kids and animals. Four years experience, high school student. 941-779-9783.

KIDS FOR HIRE ads are FREE for up to three weeks for Island youths under 16 looking for work. Ads must be placed in person at The Islander office, 5404 Marina Drive, Holmes Beach.

MORE CLASSIFIEDS equals more readers.

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY

HEALTH FOOD STORE on Anna Maria Island, located in busy shopping center, large inventory, all equipment and fixtures, completely turnkey, business growing monthly, owners moving, great opportunity for mom and pop. Call Jim, 941-580-0626.

GIFT SHOP FOR sale. Call owner, 941-779-2624.

HEALTH CARE

ACTIVE LADY WITH spinal injury needs LPNS and experienced CNAS to assist with personal care. A Hoyer lift for transfers. Five-hour a.m. shifts and overnight sleepover shifts are from 9:30 p.m.-7a.m. Travel opportunity. 941-383-6953.

SERVICES

LET US DRIVE YOU! Airports, cruise ports. Flat rates. Anna Maria Sunshine Car Service. 941-778-5476.

COMPUTER OBEDIENCE TRAINING. Is your computer misbehaving? Certified computer service and private lessons. Special \$40/hour. Free advice. 941-545-7508.

ISLAND PRESSURE CLEANING, wash away mildew, dirt, salt. Thorough, reasonable, reliable. Free estimates, licensed, insured. 941-778-0944.

PROFESSIONAL I.T. SERVICES: Complete computer solutions for business and home. Installation, repair, upgrade, networking, Web services, wireless services. Richard Ardabell, network engineer, 941-778-5708, or cell 216-509-1945.

Corky's Live Bait and Tackle
Rod and Reel Repair
 941-504-4772 • 7834 Cortez Rd W • Bradenton, FL

Corky's Thrift GARAGE RESALE SHOP
Benefiting Al Saunders
 941-504-4772 • 7834 Cortez Rd. W • Bradenton, FL

MARK BOWERS
 Electrical, Navigational • Audio/Video Systems
 Marine and Residential • Service & Installs
 Insured
 PO Box 1064 • Cortez, Fla 34215
941.920.1169

SPARKS
**STEEL
 ART GALLERY**
 121-C Bridge St. • Bradenton Beach
 (941) 795-0076 or 685-3392
 Adam Ellis

ANSWERS TO APRIL 28 PUZZLE

B	I	T	E	I	T	L	S	D	C	M	I	I	S	A	Y	I	T				
I	W	A	N	N	A	A	T	A	S	L	A	N	T	A	D	E	N	O			
C	O	M	E	T	O	T	H	I	N	K	O	F	I	T	G	E	T	I	T		
N	A	M	E	R	O	C	K	Y	V	I	B	E	N	I	T	O					
I	N	P	A	R	K	L	E	A	D	O	U	T									
A	R	E	I	C	E	T	E	A	S	E	E	L	A	D	S						
M	T	O	S	S	A	O	T	B	B	A	R	K	C	L	O	T	H				
O	I	L	L	O	W	B	I	D	B	O	L	T	O	M	N	I	A				
E	L	L	I	E	A	R	T	C	R	O	W	E	U	S	T	E	D				
S	T	I	L	E	T	T	O	F	L	A	T	I	R	O	N	B	S	A			
N	A	P	A	W	R	O	U	G	H	T	O	T	O	E							
L	A	G	O	P	E	N	A	R	E	A	H	E	M	O	S	T	A	T			
O	N	I	O	N	A	B	N	E	R	N	I	L	N	O	O	S	E				
E	N	N	U	I	S	A	C	S	R	O	T	I	N	I	N	I	N				
W	A	I	S	T	H	I	G	H	G	A	T	A	T	T	I	C	S				
S	T	E	A	L	I	M	O	D	U	L	O	S	H	T	S						
S	P	A	C	E	K	I	T	S	A	T	I	E	R	I	P	S					
E	A	T	I	T	T	A	K	E	I	T	O	R	L	E	A	V	E	I	T		
A	L	E	T	A	O	V	E	R	P	A	I	D	S	T	E	L	M	O			
S	E	E	I	T	M	E	S	D	T	S	L	O	S	E	I	T					

ISLANDER CLASSIFIEDS

SERVICES Continued

I DON'T CUT corners, I clean corners. Professional, friendly cleaning service since 1999. 941-778-7770. Leave message.

LIGHT CARPENTRY, HOME repairs, handyman work, deck repairs, dock repairs, etc. Retired tradesman, Island resident. No job too small. Call Steve Doyle 941-778-1708.

ANNE'S TROPICAL BREEZE cleaning, errands and gardening. Reasonable rates, Local references, bonded. Please call Anne, 941-465-7967.

FREE HOUSESITTING/PETSITTING: Retired Christian couple to be near beach, available anytime. References. 770-832-7319. ewingwt@earthlink.net.

CONCIERGE SERVICES: SHOPPING, house sitting, check, party planning, home organization, management ... so much more. 407-913-6136. www.bellaginaservices.com.

EXPERIENCED CAREGIVER. DEPENDABLE, honest with local Island references. Call Nancie, 941-755-5948.

BUSINESS-TO-BUSINESS JD's Window Cleaning looking for storefront jobs in Holmes Beach. 941-920-3840.

TOTAL DOOR AND Window Service: Repairs, replacements, sales, parts, stormcatcher hurricane covers, Simonton windows, Plastpro doors, ODL inserts. TDWSINC@msn.com. 941-730-1399.

ALTERATIONS AND CUSTOM home decor. (Pillows, cushions). Experience, dependable. Call Diane, 941-778-6373 or cell, 941-724-6831

ISLAND PET NANNY: Loving pet care. Longtime Island resident, background check, pet CPR-certified, references. Karen Robinson, 941-779-2830 or 941-730-5693.

NEED A LITTLE assistance with daily life? Allow me, local artist, Island resident. Live-in, live-out. 941-778-6547, ask for Robin.

DAVE'S CURB APPEAL: Paint, landscape, light repair, remodel, cleanup. Affordable Island work, \$75 per four hours. Island owner, resident, with tools. Dave, 715-418-3531

COMPUTER GOT YOU down? Got a virus? Need wireless, network setup? Web site? Need help? Call JC, 941-487-7487.

ISLAND MERMAIDS CLEANING and Co.: 34 years of happy customers. Senior check, pet-watch, storm-check, tour guide, etc. Rentals our specialty. 941-778-3046 or 941-580-4487.

DESIGNER FOR HIRE! All your graphic needs covered! Web design. Call Jon at Smashcat Studios, 941-778-2824 or 941-545-0192.

SERVICES Continued

BEACH SERVICE air conditioning, heat, refrigeration. Commercial and residential service, repair and/or replacement. Serving Manatee County and the Island since 1987. For dependable, honest and personalized service, call William Eller, 941-795-7411. CAC184228.

ANYONE CAN TAKE a picture. A professional creates a portrait. I want to be at your wedding! www.jackelka.com. 941-778-2711.

NADIA'S EUROSAGE Relaxing, healing massage in the comfort of your home. Call today for an appointment, 941-795-0887. MA#0017550.

CHECK MY HOUSE! When you're away, we stay close to home. We provide full house checking services to ensure your house is secure while you are away. Call 941-928-8735, or e-mail check.my.house@verizon.net for details.

TUTORING SERVICES: Specializing in algebra, geometry, calculus, trigonometry and science. Special need students welcome. Grades 3-12. Jenifer, 941-224-1760.

UPSCALE NAIL SALON: Nails on the Island. 30 years experience. Call for an appointment. Now offering in-home services. 941-713-5244.

MUSIC LESSONS WITH Koko Ray. Island studio open now. Instruction in flute, clarinet, saxophone, guitar and piano. 941-778-8323, or evenings, 941-758-0395. 315 58th St., Studio I, Holmes Beach.

LAWN & GARDEN

CONNIE'S LANDSCAPING INC. Residential and commercial. Full-service lawn maintenance, landscaping, cleanups, hauling and more! Insured. 941-778-5294.

ISLAND LAWN SPRINKLER service and repair. Your complete irrigation repair company. Call 941-778-2581.

TREES BY BREEZE Inc.: Custom landscapes, tree trimming, property maintenance. Insured. Since 1988. Chris, 941-778-2837.

ECONOMY TREE TRIMMING, hedges, mulching. Lowest prices starting at \$15. 12-year Island resident. Cell 941-951-1833.

GARY WOOD LAWN Service: Tree trimming and landscaping. Fully insured, monthly specials. 941-812-7273.

JR'S LANDSCAPING AND MAINTENANCE Lawns, native plants, mulching, trimming, hauling, cleanups. Island resident 25 years. Call 941-807-1015.

LANDSCAPING

STRAIGHT SHOT LANDSCAPE. For all your landscape needs. Shell \$45/yard. Call Shark Mark. 941-301-6067.

CHRISTIE'S PLUMBING Residential & Commercial
Serving the Island, LBK, Manatee & Sarasota Counties since 1975
New Construction • Remodeling
All Phases of Plumbing Repair & Service
778-3924 or 778-4461 • 5508 Marina Drive, Holmes Beach • Open Sat. #0FC057778

BOAT, RV & TRAILER STORAGE
Wash Down • Easy Access • Clean • Security Cameras
941-232-9208 • Rates starting at \$40
Centrally located off Cortez Road • 4523 30th St. W.
Warehouse/Workshops also available

J&M Tree Service
Trimming • Topping • Removal • Stump grinding
941-527-7020 • 941-807-2290
affordable • free estimates • insured
Free Mulch, Licensed, Insured, Worker's Comp

MANATEE MOVING
Pickup & Delivery Services
• Apartments • Condos • Homes •
• 1 item or Household
• Free Estimates • Affordable Rates
Call Mike **739-8234**
"Your Home Town Mover"
Licensed, Insured FL Mover Reg. # IM601

DAN'S RESCREEN INC.
POOL CAGES, LANAIS, PORCHES, WINDOWS, DOORS
No Job TOO BIG or TOO SMALL. Free Estimates.
Call Dan, 941-713-3108

ISLAND TAXI
Providing islanders with personal service to and from central and south Florida airports, etc. Since 1991.
Bruce Collins (941) 778-6201

Pawsitively Pets
& Property Services Inc. 
761-7511 
Quality Pet Sitting • Since 2001

AMI TAXI
professional, metered, on-call, gps, cards accepted
www.amitaxi.com • amitaxi4u@gmail.com
holmes beach, bradenton beach, anna maria
800.301.4816
airports • shops • dining

Junior's Landscape & Maintenance
Lawn care PLUS native plants, mulch, trip, hauling and cleanup.
Call Junior, 807-1015 

POWER WINDOWS REPAIRED
We Come To You  Full Warranty
• Antennas • Mirrors
• Power • Locks
Trunks • Door Handles
\$10 OFF Service Call
941-780-1735
POWERUPAUTO.COM • SINCE 1995 FREE ESTIMATES • FL MV-46219

 **359-1904**
"Movers Who Care"
TWO MEN AND A TRUCK

 **PLUMBING**

24-hour Emergency Service
• Sewer & Drain Cleaning
• Water Heaters
• New Construction
• Kitchen and Bath Remodeling
www.coderedplumbinginc.com
941-920-3684
Licensed • Insured • Fl. Lic. CFC1427803

CALL THE ISLAND'S FINEST...
MORE THAN 2,500 LARGE AND SMALL PROJECTS ON AMI SINCE 1988!
We provide design plans~You preview 3-D drawings
WASH FAMILY CONSTRUCTION
941.725.0073
Darrin J. Wash • State Lic. CRC 1329024
LOCALLY OWNED AND FAMILY OPERATED SINCE 1988

PLACE A CLASSIFIED AD

Print and online classified ad submission:

CLASSIFIED RATES business or individual: Minimum \$12 for up to 15 WORDS. 16-30 words: \$20. 31-45 words: \$40. Box: \$4. (Phone number is a "word." Spell out all words.)

The deadline is NOON Monday for the following week's paper.

Run issue date(s) _____ or TFN start date: _____

Amt. pd _____ Date _____ Ck. No. Cash By _____

Credit card payment:   No. _____

Name shown on card: _____ card exp. date _____ / _____

House no. or P.O. box no. on cc bill _____ Billing address zip code _____

Your e-mail for renewal reminder: _____

Web site: www.islander.org  E-mail: classifieds@islander.org
5404 Marina Drive Fax toll free: 1-866-362-9821
Holmes Beach Fl 34217 Phone: 941-778-7978

ISLANDER CLASSIFIEDS

LANDSCAPING Continued

KARAZ LANDSCAPE LAWN service. Mulch, clean ups, power washing, tree trimming and more. 941-448-3857 or 941-448-5207.

SHELL DELIVERED AND spread. Premium grade-A, \$45/yard B-grade, \$30-\$40/yard. Hauling all kinds of gravel, mulch, top soil with free estimates. Call Larry at 941-795-7775, "shell phone" 941-720-0770.

NATURE'S DESIGN LANDSCAPING. Design and installation. Tropical landscape specialist. Residential and commercial. 30 years experience. 941-729-9381.

PROFESSIONAL MANGROVE trimmer: ISA certified arborist. Fast, friendly service. Free consults. Call Jim at 941-799-0840.

HOME IMPROVEMENT

VAN-GO PAINTING residential/commercial, interior/exterior, pressure cleaning, wallpaper. Island references. Bill, 941-795-5100.

TILE -TILE -TILE. All variations of ceramic tile supplied and installed. Quality workmanship, prompt, reliable, many Island references. Call Neil, 941-726-3077.

CUSTOM REMODELING EXPERT. All phases of carpentry, repairs and painting. Insured. Meticulous, clean, sober and prompt. Paul Beauregard, 941-779-2294.

GRIFFIN'S HOME IMPROVEMENTS Inc. Handyman, fine woodwork, countertops, cabinets and shutters. Insured and licensed, 941-748-4711.

JERRY'S HOME REPAIR: Carpentry work, handyman, light plumbing, electrical, light hauling, pressure washing. Call 941-778-6170 or 941-447-2198.

EXPERIENCED BUILDING CONTRACTOR: Carl V. Johnson Jr. Inc. New homes, porches, decks, remodel, repairs, etc. Quality work. Fair price! 941-795-1947.

SOUTHBAY HOME REPAIRS: If it's broken, stuck, loose, leaks, needs paint, etc. I'll fix it. Affordable quality work. 941-720-2906.

HOME IMPROVEMENT Continued

FOREMOST FENCE: Commercial, Residential. Chain link, vinyl, aluminum, wood, access control. Contractors you can depend on. Call 941-748-2700.

PAINT AVERAGE ROOM: \$75. Customer supplies paint. Exterior, one story. Pressure washing. Free estimates. New phone number! 941-721-7521. Lic.#RR0066450.

RENTALS

WEEKLY/MONTHLY/ANNUAL rentals: wide variety, changes daily. SunCoast Real Estate, 941-779-0202, or 1-800-732-6434. www.suncoastinc.com.

OFFICE, RETAIL, PROFESSIONAL space. 8803/8799 Cortez Road, Bradenton. 600 sf, \$500/month. 1,200 sf, former salon and 1,300 sf. Call 1-800-952-1206.

WATERFRONT KEY WEST STYLE with dock. Furnished, walk to beach, eateries and shops. \$150/night, \$950/week. Use of bikes included. 941-794-5980.

RENTAL WANTED: ISLAND business owner seeks 3BR/2BA home for two year or longer lease. Call Tom, 941-993-4909.

RENTAL: 3BR/2BA ON canal. Furnished. Monthly, \$1,800. Call for weekly rate. All utilities, cable paid, internet provided. Washer and dryer. 70th Street, Holmes Beach. Available May through December. Call Dave, 407-927-1304. Dvanworm@earthlink.net.

ANNA MARIA BEACHFRONT, waterfront vacation rental. 5BR/4BA. \$2,200/week. tampabay-beachhouse.com. 559-760-1331.

VACATION RENTALS: 3BR/3BA pool home, 2BR/1BA cottage, 5BR/4BA split pool home, two blocks to Holmes Beach. 3BR/2BA pool home, northwest Bradenton, 3BR/3BA pool home, Palma Sola. Weekly, monthly rentals. Luxury furnishings, all amenities. Inclusive prices. Coastal Properties Realty, 941-794-1515.

WATERFRONT 2BR/2BA TOWNHOUSE with boat slip on Palma Sola Bay. Heated pool, patio, cable, washer and dryer. Lease six-month plus, \$950/month unfurnished. \$1,025/month furnished. No dogs. Call 941-798-3842 or 941-720-7519.

RENTALS Continued

ANNUAL PERICO BAY Club. Guard-gated 24/7. Sunny bright end unit, 2BR/2BA villa with spacious two-car garage and extra-long driveway. Nicely furnished, new stainless-steel appliances, TVs in living room, master bedroom and master bath. Screened porch plus deck overlooking small lake. Private courtyard entry. Neighborhood heated pool and spa, plus large community lap pool. Available May 1. \$1,500/month plus utilities. Call owner, 941-792-4767.

ANNA MARIA ISLAND Club: January, February 2011. 2BR/2BA, adults only, HDTVs. Call 813-781-7562. Dharveyel@aol.com.

GORGEOUS NEWLY RENOVATED 2BR/2BA Anna Maria Island rental. Ground floor, furnished, all utilities, pool, tennis, DSL. December 2010 thru May 2011. \$2,500/month. Three-month minimum. www.annamariaislandcondo.web.officelive.com. 931-636-2620.

NEWLY RENOVATED 2BR/2A rental. Holmes Beach. Boat dock, walk to beach. Available January, 2011. Call 941-580-3385.

PARTIALLY FURNISHED 1BR/1BA bayfront apartment with wonderful view. Available May 1. \$850/month, plus some utilities. 941-545-7109 or 941-795-1132.

MOUNT VERNON: 2BR/2BA beautifully renovated. Canalfront, minutes to beaches. 55-plus active community. \$1,250/month includes water, sewer, cable. Owner, 941-685-5674.

HOLMES BEACH 1BR/1BA. 750-sf apartment, close to bay. \$695/month. First, last, security deposit. Available April 20. 941-587-1456.

WATERFRONT ANNUAL: 3BR/2BA Coral Shores. Dock and boat lift, kitchen with granite, stainless-steel appliances. Screened lanai. No smoking or pets. Responsible person to maintain yard. \$1,295/month. \$900 deposit. Gina, 941-524-6773.

WANTED BY AUTHOR: 2BR ground-level house with fenced back yard. Preferably Holmes Beach for June 1. Own small pets. Excellent references. No potential foreclosure property. Possible long-term lease. 941-778-0504 or cell, 807-2198.

2BR/2BA HOLMES BEACH waterfront condo. Fully furnished with views, pools, tennis. Available seasonal or ? Call 818-620-3543.

MORE CLASSIFIEDS equals more readers.



terry HAYES
Global market. Global connections.

Anna Maria Island's Top Producer for 2009

941.302.3100 · terry.hayes@sothebysrealty.com
discoverannamaria.com

Terry Hayes, Realtor®



102 49th Street
One of a kind! Exquisite gulf views from all rooms of this custom built gulf front home. Big beach yard and private.

\$2,799,000



244 South Harbor
Dock and exquisite bay views from this townhome style 2BR/2BA with pool and 1 car garage. Two screened lanais and rooftop terrace!

\$399,000



12410 Baypointe Terrace
Exquisite views and protected harbor for up to 50ft boat. Executive home in gated community with 3BR/3BA plus den!

\$1,095,000



203 76th Street
Charming Yellowbird! Duplex style beach house with pool just half block to beach. \$40k income in 09!

\$699,000

32 YEARS



BEACH FRONT Ground level duplex with 2BR/1BA each side. Turnkey furnished, each with washer & dryer. Two open patios. Good 15 year rental history. \$799,000.



VACANT LOT Corner lot on a quiet residential street at north end of the island. Just two blocks to the Rod-N-Reel Pier & a short walk to beach. \$259,000

Mike Norman Realty INC
800-367-1617
941-778-6696
3101 GULF DR
HOLMES BEACH
www.mikenormanrealty.com

Signature

Sotheby's
INTERNATIONAL REALTY

The Plaza at Five Points | 50 Central Ave, Suite 110
Sarasota FL 34236

Each Office is Independently Owned and Operated.

WWW.ISLANDER.ORG

ISLANDER CLASSIFIEDS

RENTALS Continued

ANNUAL RENTAL NEEDED: 2-3BR/2BA furnished, \$1,000/month.

Dog-friendly. Anna Maria area. Will do lawn care, repairs. Call 941-456-8310.

GULFFRONT VIEWS FROM newly remodeled 1BR/1BA duplex. New appliances, tile, bathroom, paint inside and out. Beach across street. \$950/month, first, last, \$500 deposit, includes water and sanitation. Non-smoking, no pets. 941-320-1284.

ANNUAL 2BR/2BA ELEVATED Homes Beach duplex. Covered parking, washer and dryer, storage, deck, screened porch, near beach. Some furnishings possible. \$1,100/month. Call 828-246-3035 or e-mail: JPKenrick@aol.com.

ANNUAL CONDO RENTAL: 55-plus community. 2BR/1.5BA, furnished, ground level, heated pools, beautiful beach. \$1,000/month plus utilities. Will rent six months for \$2,000/month. 5400 Gulf Drive, Holmes Beach. 941-778-3458.

PALMA SOLA 3BR/2BA: 10x40-foot screened lanai, pool, one block from bay, marina. Furnished, unfurnished, good schools. \$1,595/month annual, \$2,200/month seasonal. 941-778-3051 or 941-567-9492.

ON BAY: STEPS to beach, furnished 2BR, screened lanai, Annual, \$775/month. Seasonal, \$1,700/month. 1BR, May through October, patio, shed, \$625/month. Sandpiper Resort. 55-plus. 941-778-3051 or 941-567-9492.

VACATION: MONTH-TO-month. Furnished rental. 3BR/2BA northwest Bradenton. Five minutes to beach. \$950/month. 941-356-1456.

ANNUAL: 55-PLUS 2BR/2BA spacious manufactured home. Gated park, island kitchen and double carport. \$875/month. 941-356-1456.

RENTALS Continued

SEASONAL OR WEEKLY cottage-style rentals. 1BR/1BA or 2BR/1BA with pool. Walk to beach, shopping, restaurants. 941-778-3426. Web site 2spinnakers.com.

REAL ESTATE

MOBILE HOME: SUNNY Shores Waterfront Park. 1BR/1BA. You own the land. Not a co-op. No monthly fees. Great condition. Free boat ramp access. Reduced! Priced to sell! \$69,900. 513-470-3851.

BUILD WEALTH! Call or e-mail for our free brochure. Discover how easy it is to build wealth through short sales and foreclosures. Adkins Florida Group, Wagner Realty. Free@AdkinsFloridaGroup.com. 941-713-0635.

DIRECT GULFFRONT 4BR/4.5BA, den, three-car garage, pool, spa, elevator, security. Immaculate 2005 Mediterranean villa-style architecture with breathtaking Gulf views. 5,146 sf under roof on north Anna Maria Island, 12106 Gulf Drive. \$3,500,000, furnished. Contact owner, broker, 941-920-1699.

ADORABLE CONDO FOR sale by owner: 1BR/1BA, quiet neighborhood, cathedral ceilings, skylights, tile throughout, enclosed lanai. \$69,900. Bradenton. Must see! 941-773-6448.

"CASA AZUL." NEW canalfront beauty! 4BR/4.5BA, study, sitting room, large lanai, inground pool, zoned HVAC. Best of everything! Turnkey, if desired. \$1,450,000 and worth it. 215 Chilson Ave., Anna Maria. Call Jeffrey. 941-567-6600.

DISCOVER THE OTHER Island! Tidy Island in Sarasota Bay. Waterfront, renovated 2BR/2BA two-car garage condo. Guards, nature and so much more. Pet friendly! Owner financing, \$239,900. Realtor/owner, Katharine Pepper, RoseBay Real Estate, 941-792-9459.

REAL ESTATE Continued

ESTATE TO SETTLE: 2BR/2BA villa, just remodeled, new kitchen and more. \$74,500 or best offer. Realtor, 941-356-1456. Real Estate Mart.

WATERFRONT: KEY ROYALE 3BR/2BA home. Updated. Pool, spa, boat dock, Xeriscape. \$430,000. By owner, Realtor. 941-356-1456. Real Estate Mart.

PRICE REDUCED: DUPLEX on two deeded lots, both units 2BR/1.5BA, elevated, park under building. \$450,000. Call owner: 941-730-2606.

FLORIDA, OUT-OF-STATE

UPSTATE NEW YORK: Finger Lakes sacrifice! Six acres, \$24,900. 10 minutes to Ithaca and Cayuga Lake! Great views. \$2,000 discount for first time buyers! 888-745-3390. www.NewYorkLandandLakes.com.

CENTRAL GEORGIA: 49 acres, \$1,325 per acre. Gently rolling, abundant wildlife, mature pine, near Flint River. 478-987-9700 stregispaper.com. St. Regis Paper Co.

NEW LOG HOME at the lake and five acres, \$69,900 with free boat slips. Gorgeous, ready to finish 2,100 sf log home and beautifully wooded five-acre lake access parcel with free boat slips on private, recreational lake in Tennessee. Quiet, gated community. Excellent financing. Call now 888-792-5253, ext. 2456. TN Land/Lakes, LLC.

JEWELS OF NORTHWEST Wisconsin: HalfMoon Lake Estates, Iron River, WI. Investment grade, large pine-covered lots, private, utilities included. Ten percent down, four percent LC. \$19,000-\$39,000. halfmoonlakeestates.com. 866-927-6757.

NORTH CAROLINA MOUNTAINS: Brand-new. \$50,000 mountaintop tract reduced to \$19,500! Private, near Boone area, bank financing, owner must sell, 866-275-0442.

CALL THE FLIP-FLOP COMPANY FIRST... TO FIND THE PERFECT VACATION RENTAL!



More than 200 beautiful hand-selected properties to choose from.

Stop by our offices or visit our web-site to book your next vacation in paradise!

Anna Maria Island Accommodations, Inc.

315 Pine Avenue • Anna Maria
5604-B Marina Drive • Holmes Beach • 941-779-0733
www.annamariaparadise.com

JUST VISITING PARADISE?
Don't leave the Island without taking time to subscribe. You'll get ALL the best news, delivered by the mailman every week. Visit us at 5404 Marina Drive, Island Shopping Center, Holmes Beach - or call 941-778-7978. Online edition: www.islander.org

The Islander

FOR EXPERT ADVICE ON ISLAND PROPERTIES
CALL THE ISLANDERS
(941) 778-6066
www.CallTheIslanders.com
JOHN@CallTheIslanders.com




John van Zandt
6101 MARINA DR., HOLMES BEACH, FL 34217



SATO
REAL ESTATE INC.
519 Pine Ave. • Anna Maria FL 34216

Call us for all your sales or rental needs!
941-778-7200
866-519-SATO (7286)
www.satorealestate.com

Sales & Rentals
32 Years...2 Generations





Sally Norman Greig
Broker Associate
Property Manager
19 Years

Mike Norman
Broker
32 Years

Marianne Norman Ellis
Sales Associate
Property Manager
12 Years

We Must Be Doing Something Right!

Mike Norman Realty INC



800-367-1617
941-778-6696
3101 GULF DR
HOLMES BEACH
www.mikenormanrealty.com



VILLAGE GREEN CONDO
2BR/2BA WITH BRAND NEW A/C UNIT
AND TILED FLOORS \$109,000

Visit us on Pine Avenue or online for many more listings and rental info.
ISLAND FACES...SELLING ISLAND PLACES



GRAND OPENING OF A FIVE STAR ASSISTED LIVING RESORT:

Private Suites starting at \$1,975.00 and
Semi-Private Suites starting at \$1,495.00
per month for the first 10 Residents

- ◆ A tranquil setting designed with you in mind that includes a serenity pond, waterfall with water fountain, orchid & botanical gardens
- ◆ Team of professionals with a vast array of experience in Assisted Living dedicated to you
- ◆ Social Community that will reenergize and rejuvenate you
- ◆ 32" wall-mounted LCD television in all resident rooms
- ◆ Families can take comfort knowing that their loved one is in a safe, secure, caring and home-like environment, residing in an upscale senior living community, enjoying the quality of life they deserve
- ◆ Facilitating seniors with accessing Veteran's benefits, long-term care insurance and Medicaid long-term care diversion program



100 Base Avenue East
Venice, Florida 34285
Tel: 941.412.4748
karen@timelesslifecare.com
www.abanyanresidence.com
Assisted Living Facility Licensure Pending

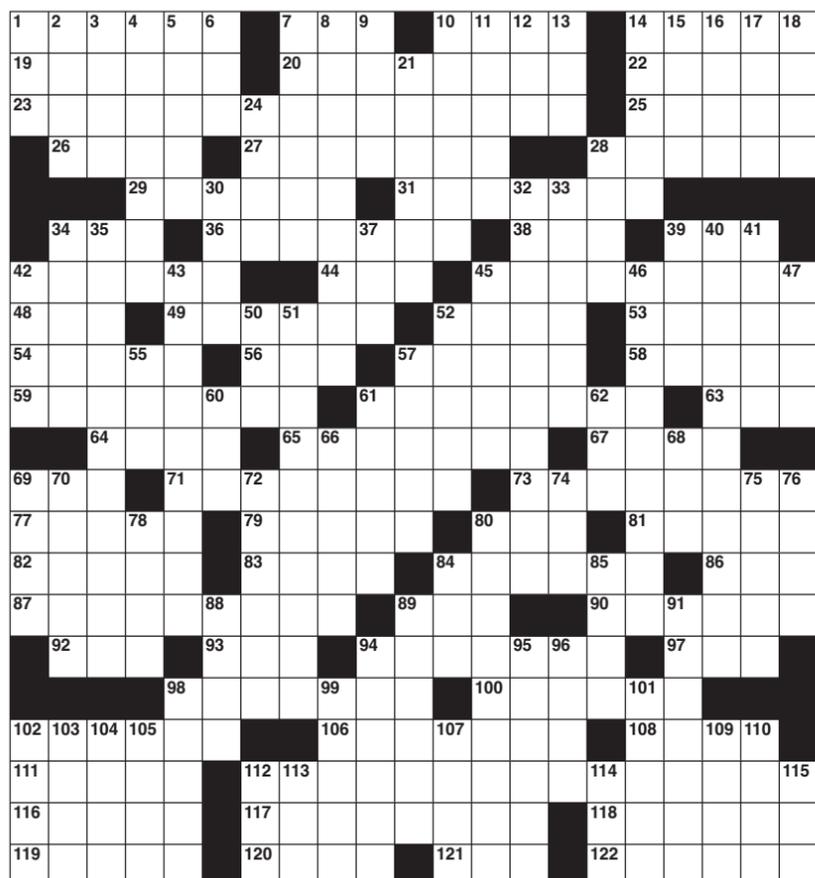
WWW.ISLANDER.ORG

New York Times Sunday Magazine Crossword

WHATS-ITS By Randolph Ross / Edited by Will Shortz

- | | | | |
|--|--|---|---|
| <p>Across</p> <p>1 Your tongue</p> <p>7 Trip preparation</p> <p>10 Early 10th-century year</p> <p>14 Uncle</p> <p>19 "Lemme!"</p> <p>20 Sloping</p> <p>22 Gland: Prefix</p> <p>23 An idea</p> <p>25 The picture</p> <p>26 Identify</p> <p>27 1986 parody of a Sylvester Stallone film series</p> <p>28 First name among the Axis powers</p> <p>29 Not going anywhere?</p> <p>31 Direct to the exit</p> <p>34 It often follows you</p> <p>36 Summer coolers</p> <p>38 Dragon roll ingredient</p> <p>39 Spots</p> <p>42 Greek high spot</p> <p>44 Gambler's hangout, for short</p> <p>45 Retro upholstery material</p> <p>48 Dressing choice</p> <p>49 Contract winner, often</p> <p>52 Leave in a hurry</p> <p>53 Opera ___ (complete works: Lat.)</p> <p>54 TV "Miss"</p> | <p>56 Story accompanier</p> <p>57 "A Beautiful Mind" star</p> <p>58 You, in Yucatán</p> <p>59 Tool for making eyelets</p> <p>61 Old-fashioned clothes presser</p> <p>63 Org. with an oath</p> <p>64 California's ___ Valley</p> <p>65 Created</p> <p>67 Old buffalo hunter</p> <p>69 Closed-captioning problem</p> <p>71 Expanse</p> <p>73 Surgeon's tool</p> <p>77 Kind of ring</p> <p>79 Rube of bygone funnies</p> <p>80 Common cricket score</p> <p>81 Cause of a pain in the neck</p> <p>82 Yawn producer</p> <p>83 Pouches</p> <p>84 Curly pasta</p> <p>86 Writer Anaís</p> <p>87 Like cornstalks after about six weeks</p> <p>89 Weapon carried in a speakeasy</p> <p>90 Accommodations with low overhead?</p> <p>92 Abbr. in many a Québec address</p> <p>93 Fighter with a shuffle</p> <p>94 Math operations that yield remainders</p> <p>97 Shaker ____, Oh.</p> | <p>98 Field tools</p> <p>100 Moses at the Red Sea, e.g.</p> <p>102 "In the Bedroom" actress, 2001</p> <p>106 Rare announcement after balloting</p> <p>108 Slams</p> <p>111 Crow</p> <p>112 A message</p> <p>116 Prince Valiant's wife</p> <p>117 Didn't get a good deal</p> <p>118 Name associated with fire</p> <p>119 The light</p> <p>120 Putter (around)</p> <p>121 Sot's woe</p> <p>122 Face</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Down</p> <p>1 Inexpensive pen</p> <p>2 Joyful cry</p> <p>3 Author Janowitz</p> <p>4 Exes, sometimes</p> <p>5 One ___ (long odds)</p> <p>6 Eastern path</p> <p>7 Home of Shalimar Gardens</p> <p>8 The point</p> <p>9 Like dungeons, typically</p> <p>10 Some garlic</p> <p>11 Scorsese subject</p> <p>12 ___ Kamoze of reggae</p> <p>13 Big corp. in defense contracts</p> <p>14 Bob ____, narrator on TV's "How I Met Your Mother"</p> | <p>15 Present-day site of the ancient port city Eudaemon</p> <p>16 Hirsute Himalayan</p> <p>17 J. Edgar Hoover used one: Abbr.</p> <p>18 Fictional terrier</p> <p>21 1973 NASA launch</p> <p>24 Gillette's ___ II</p> <p>28 Major portion</p> <p>30 Former Chinese Communist military leader Lin ___</p> <p>32 A deck of cards</p> <p>33 Olympic discus great Al</p> <p>34 Not straight</p> <p>35 The aisles</p> <p>37 Announcement at a terminal, in brief</p> <p>39 Poor support</p> <p>40 Sure loser</p> <p>41 Sloppy spots</p> <p>42 ___ Southwest Grill (restaurant chain)</p> <p>43 A pillow</p> <p>45 Ticket site</p> <p>46 An abacus</p> <p>47 "Humpty Dumpty ___ great fall"</p> <p>50 Angkor ___ (Cambodian temple)</p> <p>51 Lunch</p> <p>52 Actress Sonia</p> <p>55 Wharf workers' org.</p> <p>57 Crossword creator, at times</p> <p>60 Water source</p> <p>61 Course calls</p> |
|--|--|---|---|

Answers found on page 28.



- | | | | |
|---|--|--|---|
| <p>62 Part of a tuba sound</p> <p>66 Dressing choice</p> <p>68 Spanish bear</p> <p>69 Theater mogul Marcus</p> <p>70 Kournikova and others</p> <p>72 Without breaking a sweat</p> <p>74 2010 Denzel Washington title role</p> | <p>75 Athletic shoe brand</p> <p>76 Second place?</p> <p>78 River of York</p> <p>80 Snuff</p> <p>84 Far out</p> <p>85 G.O.P. elephant originator</p> <p>88 Commit a computer crime</p> <p>89 Dirt</p> <p>91 Does very well</p> | <p>94 They may be fed downtown</p> <p>95 Scots with lots</p> <p>96 City SSW of Moscow</p> <p>98 Tuned to</p> <p>99 Ups</p> <p>101 Classical sister</p> <p>102 Seven ___</p> <p>103 Washed out</p> <p>104 Suit to ___</p> <p>105 Field opening?</p> | <p>107 Not much</p> <p>109 Soccer immortal</p> <p>110 California's ___ Valley</p> <p>112 Nursery rhyme boy who "stole a pig, and away he run"</p> <p>113 N.Y.C.'s A, B, C or D</p> <p>114 Night sch. class</p> <p>115 Rug rat</p> |
|---|--|--|---|