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# **OUR TOWN**



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extension by Kurt Schultheis | Managing Editor

# Colony decision delayed

The Town Commission will discuss Sept. 24 an extension to re-open the Colony Beach and Tennis Resort. The current deadline is Dec. 31.

The Longboat Key Town Commission Tuesday postponed a decision to extend the Colony Beach & Tennis Resort Association's Dec. 31 deadline for reopening the resort.

Instead, the commission voted to meet in the next 30 days to determine the length of the extension and contingencies it wants to place on the extension.

Planning, Zoning and Building Director Robin Meyer recommended in a staff report to extend the deadline until June 30, 2014, albeit with three conditions: Secure any unsafe buildings; maintain landscaping and irrigation on portions of the property that are visible to the public and nearby properties; and make sure the property stays free of pests and vermin.

Colony Beach & Tennis Resort

Hemke took to the stand Tuesday night to explain that legal restraints have not allowed the Colony to redevelop the property in a timely fashion, although he noted a Colony advisory committee met as recently as Tuesday afternoon to discuss a settlement with longtime Colo-

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### + Local returns to family business

**Brenton Cloud** has returned to Longboat Key after living in New York for 11 years. In 2001, Cloud began studying business at Marymount Manhattan College; his first day of class was Sept. 11. After graduating, Cloud worked on Wall Street. He is currently in charge of operations at his family's local business, Cannons Marina.

"This is the greatest place on Earth to live and I missed my home for many years," he says.

### + Longboat Observer announces changes

Starting this week, you will see a new — but familiar - face around Town Hall. Former City Editor Kurt

Schultheis is back on Longboat Key in his new role as managing editor of \_ the Longboat



Observer. Schultheis, a five-year veteran as Longboat Key's city editor, has

been city editor of the Sarasota Observer for the past year. You will once again spot Schultheis around town as he keeps tabs on all things related to government and Key enterprise.

City Editor Robin Hartill, one of The Observer's most versatile writers, will continue writing stories that Longboat Key readers have come to expect from her, including community news stories and in-depth features.

Roger Drouin, who worked for The Observer from 2004 to 2007 as city editor of the Longboat Observer and Sarasota Observer, takes over Schultheis' position as city editor of the Sarasota Observer.



Ryan Jacobs, 15, poses in his yellow life vest and captain's hat Saturday, Sept. 1. Jacobs was one of more than 300 sailors who participated in the 66th annual Sarasota Sailing Squadron Labor Day Regatta. For more photos, see page 14A.

"PLAN B" by Robin Hartill | City Editor

# New application could revive Key Club plan

The application for the Key Club's \$400 million Islandside project is dead, but the project could get new life.

The Longboat Key Club and Resort's \$400 million expansion and renovation project is dead.

At least, the current version of it is.

The Florida 2nd District Court of Appeal affirmed the ruling of 12th Judicial Circuit Judge Charles Roberts, who quashed the town-approved development order in favor of the club, by granting a writ of certiorari to the Islandside Property Owners Coalition and L'Ambiance and Sanctuary condominium associations in their challenge of the ordinance by which the Longboat Key Town Commission approved a development order for the project in June 2010.

"Personally, I'm very disappointed," said John Patterson, attorney representing the Key Club, Wednesday, Aug. 29, after the ruling came down. "But I'm not going to recommend proceeding" with more legal appeals.

"It means the application that was approved is dead,"

Patterson said.

But, although the application itself is dead, a new application could resuscitate plans for a renovated and expanded Islandside resort.

Key Club General Manager Michael Welly said Friday, Aug. 31, that the resort has always had a "Plan B" — i.e. filing a new application.

Since the beginning of the year, the commission has revised the town's code to directly address many of the issues raised in Roberts' rul-

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### **COLONY / FROM PAGE 1A**

ny owner Dr. Murray "Murf" Klauber and Colony Lender LLC representatives.

"It's in everyone's interest to preserve the density that exists on the site, but legal restraints have delayed the process," Hemke said.

Hemke said the association is already following the conditions of approval, including the placing of rodent traps and the start of a property cleanup that's already cost \$35,000.

Colony owner and board member Gregory Russovich told the commission his advisory committee has interviewed several developers and has chosen, through a nonbinding memorandum, longtime unit owner Andy Adams' Breakpointe LLC and Naplesbased Coral Hospitality LLC to develop a \$40 million renovation/ rehabilitation of existing units.

But a rehabilitation of the existing units, which town staff revealed through a series of pictures have deteriorating second-story balconies and pilings damaged upon repair, is unacceptable to Mayor Jim Brown.

"We have bent over backward to try and save these homes, and we haven't seen a whole lot of progress," Brown said. "I am an architect and the hotel business was my business. You won't get a four- or a five-star hotel with these buildings."

Brown said the association would be "throwing money away" if it attempted to renovate the existing units.

"I can't believe that anyone who understands the hotel business would keep these buildings," Brown said. "I'm willing to give you forever to do this, but don't do

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Colony Beach & Tennis Resort Association President Jay Yablon asked Longboat Key commissioners for an extension to re-open the resort Tuesday.

Brown and Commissioner Jack Duncan also urged Colony officials to think about how long it would actually take to get the resort running again.

"As an architect, I don't believe you can do this in 18 months," Brown said. "Stop speculating."

When Brown asked Colony board members and development officials what would be happening in 18 months, they said they were confident a project could be completed in that timeframe.

But commissioners seemed shocked that such a project could be done in 18 months when legal problems continue to be sorted out and a bankruptcy judge has yet to rule on who has control over the property.

"I get the impression you don't understand the building codes and complexities of how to get things done here," said Commissioner Phillip Younger.

Although attorneys for all involved parties said they believed a resolution, through mediation, could be reached within 90 days, Commissioner Lynn Larson — and others — questioned that belief.

"I'm concerned that before you can open these units to the homeowners, many of them will be dead," Larson said. "All I want to hear is progress is being made."

Duncan, who made the motion to postpone the extension, also expressed frustration with what he called "a lack of strategy."

"The Colony is critical to this town, but we can't end up with another mess on our hands," Duncan said. "I haven't seen the professionalism to take this project in the right direction."

Colony Association President Jay Yablon told commissioners one of the reasons the development team has now shifted to a renovation of the property is because it would have been difficult to get 75% of the votes needed by unit owners to approve a teardown and rebuild of the project.

"A rehab of the property allows us a lower voting threshold," Yablon said.

In the end, all commissioners agreed more time was needed to discuss the extension, which will be discussed at a meeting scheduled for 9 a.m. Sept. 24.

Without the extension, the property will lose 85 of the resort's units.

### DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT

The Colony Beach & Tennis Association Board announced Thursday, Aug. 30, that it will partner with longtime Colony unit owner Andy Adams' entity, BreakPointe LLC, and the Naples-based Coral Hospitality LLC on a \$40 million revitalization of the resort and in the settlement of legal disputes surrounding the property.

Adams is the recently retired CEO of National Health Investors Inc., a real-estate housing trust that manages publicly traded senior-housing companies.

He owns at least 48 Colony units, according to Sarasota County property records, which show that Adams purchased 45 of those units earlier this year through his Colony Beach Investors LLC.

BreakPointe also owns a 5% undivided interest in the resort's three-acre recreational property.

Another Adams' entity, BreakPointe I LLC, was foreclosing on overdue bank loans for longtime Colony owner Dr. Murray "Murf" Klauber's residential unit and beachfront Vagabond resort unit, but reached a confidential settlement through mediation in April.

Adams' AdamsMark L.P. was one of four finalists for the redevelopment of the Colony last year, when the board selected Club Holdings Ventures. The board voted

to terminate its relationship with Club Holdings in May. Coral Hospitality was also among the final four during last year's selection process.

John Ayres founded the firm in 1988 as Coral Beach Hotels & Resorts and partnered with Lee Weeks in 1999 to form the management firm Coral Beach Club Co. Three years later, that company expanded to include residential management.

In 2004, the two companies merged to become Coral Beach Hotels & Resorts.

The company's recent projects include the management of the Sandpearl Resort on Clearwater Beach after its 2005 opening; the two-year \$12 million renovation of Casa Ybel Resort on Sanibel Island; and the management of the Gansevoort Miami Beach hotel in 2010 after Credit Suisse foreclosed on it.

BreakPointe will serve as developer and recommend a plan to the Association, while Coral Hospitality will take the role of property/resort manager and technical developer, operating under BreakPointe.

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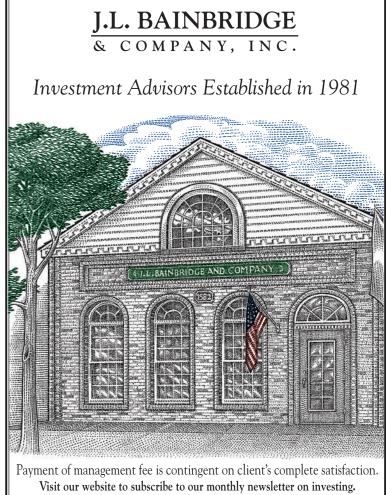
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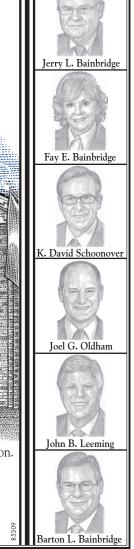
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beach budget by Kurt Schultheis | Managing Editor

# Beach project tax assessment delayed

Taxpayers won't pay for a beach project quite yet, but the town manager warns taxpayers they could face assessments in 2014 to help pay pension debt.

Longboat Key commissioners are granting a one-year reprieve to residents who were bracing for tax assessments on the town's upcoming beach project.

Instead of assessing Key taxpayers for a \$16 million sandand-structure beach project which starts this year, the town intends to assess taxpayers for the project next summer.

When the Longboat Key Town Commission approved the town's budget on first reading and public hearing Tuesday night, it agreed to hold off on beach debt millage taxes of .8 mills and .2 mills for Beach Districts A and B, respectively.

For taxpayers in District A, the beach-side of the island, a \$500,000 home will see a \$400 savings break in this year's taxes. For taxpayers in District

B, the Gulf-side of the island, a the project ready to go and \$500,000 home will see a \$100

Longboaters who received their Truth in Millage (TRIM) notices recently should be aware that those notices account for taxpayers paying for the beach project. Although new notices won't be sent out, Key property owners will receive tax bills later this year that don't include the beach project mills.

Earlier in the day, at the town's final budget workshop, Town Manager Dave Bullock explained that because the town won't realistically start its sand-and-north-end-structure project until September 2013 at the earliest, the town had the option to delay collecting money for the project.

"We may not actually have

be able to start writing checks until the third quarter of fiscal year 2013," Bullock said. "But, if there's any difficulty getting permits or any delay, (the project) could easily be pushed back by months. The bottom line is, I don't think we will be spending this in 2013, and you could choose to implement this next year."

Commissioners were told that because voters already approved the beach project, there is no deadline as to when the town needs to start collecting the money for the project.

The town will pay off the sand project in four years and is looking at paying off the more expensive erosion-control structures over a 20-year period.

The only risk the town is

taking by not moving forward with taxing now for the project, is the possibility that interest rates will climb. Finance Director Tom Kelley, though, said he doesn't anticipate much of a climb, if any, in interest rates next year.

"I don't see the benefit in assessing taxpayers this year," said Commissioner Phil Younger.

Bullock, however, noted that he expects another debt issuance question to be put forth to voters next year in regard to the town's pension issues.

"We may ask voters to approve issuing debt to pay unfunded pension obligations in fiscal year 2014," said Bullock, who explained that it's a priority to curtail the town's \$278 million in unfunded pension

### **CUMMING BECOMES NEXT POLICE CHIEF**

Longboat Key Town Manager Dave Bullock officially axed the word "acting"

from Police Chief Pete Cumming's title Tuesday, Sept. 4.

Bullock said that he is confident Cumming has what it takes to become the Key's next police chief on a permanent basis.

Cumming, 53, a captain with the town since 2008, takes over the

position following the death of Police Chief Al Hogle in May.

Cumming made \$73,185 per year as a captain before seeing his pay increase to \$83,803 per year in May, when he became the acting chief. Cumming's salary could increase an additional \$10,000, but the exact annual salary figure has not been agreed upon yet.

Cumming becomes the town's ninth police chief.



Public Works Director Juan Florensa surveys beach damage from Tropical Storms Debby and Isaac Friday, Aug. 31,

# Isaac both helps and hurts the Key

Tropical Storm Isaac swept sand away from the island but removed the troublesome seaweed left behind by Tropical Storm Debby.

Isaac seemed like nothing compared to Debby.

Although it swept away some sand, it did something Longboaters have been urging town staff to do for

"It swept all the seaweed away," said Public Works Director Juan Florensa. "Mother Nature picked up the

While Sarasota County spent taxpayer dollars to clean up more than 300 tons of seaweed that kept coming ashore on Lido Beach and Siesta Key after Tropical Storm Debby, Longboat Key staff held firm on its stance that it doesn't clean anything Mother Nature brings ashore, unless it's red tide-related.

It would have been costly to remove the large amount of wet seaweed, which would have required heavy equipment to remove it and manpower the town just doesn't employ on a regular basis. The equipment could have negatively impacted turtle and shorebird nests.

However, Tropical Storm Isaac did continue Debby's trend of taking away coveted white sand, especially from the Privateer at the Longboat Key Club and Resort. That area, Florensa estimates, lost 20-to-30 feet of beach width, leaving the area with about 30 feet of beach that's filled with big shells and rough, coarse

"We were barely done with Debby taking away 350,000 cubic yards of sand and in came Isaac," said Florensa. The town will not measure the total amount of sand Isaac washed away because the storm did not create substantial sand loss.

Isaac did follow in Debby's path of raising high tides that have helped destroy mangroves on Beer Can Island and also sent saltwater dangerously close to 360 North condominiums that have no seawall protection.

The severely eroded north end also incurred more sand loss with Isaac. The area, which received a \$4.5 million sand project last year, had already lost 150,000 cubic yards of sand during Debby's stay, with much of the sand from the project drifting north to Beer Can Island.

The north-end beach experiences extreme fluctuations in sand because of erosion accretion cycles caused by the interaction between the ebb shoal and beach, which causes sand to drift into Longboat Pass. The emergency sand was only intended to last one year, until the town could undertake a more permanent course of action.

The town is in the process of obtaining permits for three north-end groins that would offer a long-term solution, according to the Longboat Pass Management Plan. The permitting process typically takes about a year, meaning that late spring 2013 would be the earliest construction would begin.

"Unfortunately, north-end residents in this area are at least two years away from seeing any more relief," Florensa said.

### LOCAL FLAVOR

by Robin Hartill | City Editor

# Cedars Resort partners with Harry's manager

Hal Christensen, Harry's Continental Kitchens general manager, will unveil a new concept for Cedars' restaurant.

Cedars Tennis Resort is refreshing its restaurant and tiki bar with a new concept and a familiar face for Longboat Key restaurant enthusiasts.

Hal Christensen will launch the new Cedars Café & Tiki Bar in early October, with a new menu and a new look that will give the resort's food and beverage operations a total transformation.

You may know Christensen as the general manager of Harry's Continental Kitchens. He grew up working in the restaurant that his parents, Harry and Lynn Christensen, opened in 1979, before returning in a management role 12 years ago. He'll continue that role, while also taking on operations at Cedars.

The new resort restaurant's offerings will look nothing like the menus currently at Cedars or at Harry's.

"It will have a lot of local stuff that's different,"

The restaurant will serve healthier fare across the board, with lighter breakfast options, local seafood and fresh produce.

"A lot of it will be to complement the Florida outdoor lifestyle," said Trevor Hind, general manager of ResortQuest, which purchased the resort's rental management, real-estate sales, tennis-and-healthclub facilities and the operations of the resort's current restaurant, Cedars Bar and Grill, in March for \$1.05 million.

The restaurant will most likely offer more foodand-wine pairings.

According to Christensen, it could also offer more themed events, such as a poolside reggae night.

The resort is required to operate as a private club, according to an agreement between the Cedars condominium association and the town.

The resort will offer a tiered membership structure allowing a variety of social and recreational uses, according to Hind.

Christensen said that the new restaurant will have a "soft kind of change" over the next few weeks. In the meantime, the current restaurant will remain open and fully operational. A grand opening will take place in late October.

Larry Starr, president of ResortQuest, said that he has known the Christensens for more than 30 years and didn't look any further when he learned Hal Christensen was interested in the role.

"The quality that Hal delivers at Harry's speaks to what we're trying to do at Cedar's," he said.

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### In the Kitchen (VIDEO):

Nicole Kaney is a Sarasota resident and wedding planner who loves to cook. Healthy dishes are her specialty, and this week, she shows us how to prepare a kale salad that she and her husband often enjoy.



### **MOST READ STORIES ONLINE LAST WEEK:**

- 1. Appeals court rules against Key Club, town (Aug. 29)
- 2. Village floods during high tide (Aug. 28)
- 3. Colony signs of progress (Aug. 29)
- 4. Isaac's path shifts away from Longboat (Aug. 27)
- 5. Staff recommends Colony extension (Aug. 31)



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### + Town seeks pension board volunteers

The town is accepting applications for appointments to its firefighter and police pension boards of trustees.

Applications must be submitted by 5 p.m. Monday, Sept. 17, to the Town Clerk's office at Longboat Key Town Hall, 501 Bay Isles Road and can be downloaded at longboatkey.

Applicants must be registered to vote on Longboat Key.

For information, call 316-1999.

### + Mote Marine adds new solar energy system

Mote Marine Laboratory and Aquarium has mounted a 2,310-square-foot, 30.2-kilowatt solar-power system on the southern roof of Mote's Ann and Alfred Goldstein Marine Mammal Research and Rehabilitation Center to capture solar energy and supplement electrical power in the facility.

The \$115,000 system was donated by Willis A. Smith Construction Inc. and installed by RegionSolar.

A second 30.2-kilowatt system was donated by Jim Lampl, a local solar energy supporter, to supplement power at Mote's Aquaculture Park.

### + Joint commission meeting scheduled

The Longboat Key Town Commission and Sarasota Board of County Commissioners will hold a joint meeting at 1:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 1, at the Sarasota County Administration Center, 1660 Ringling

The agenda has not yet been finalized, but proposed topics include park development, transit issues, New Pass maintenance dredging, tourist development tax allocation,

### **MEETINGS 2-AGENDAS**

- Code Enforcement Board regular meeting — 10 a.m. Monday, Sept. 10
- ► Planning & Zoning Board regular meeting — 9 a.m. Tuesday,
- ► Town Commission regular workshop — 1 p.m. Monday, Sept.
- ► Town Commission special meeting to adopt the 2012-13 fiscal year budget — 5:01 p.m. Monday, Sept. 24

All meetings take place at Town Hall, 501 Bay Isles Parkway, unless otherwise noted.

beach management, shared services and Longboat Key's tourist development tax allocation formula.

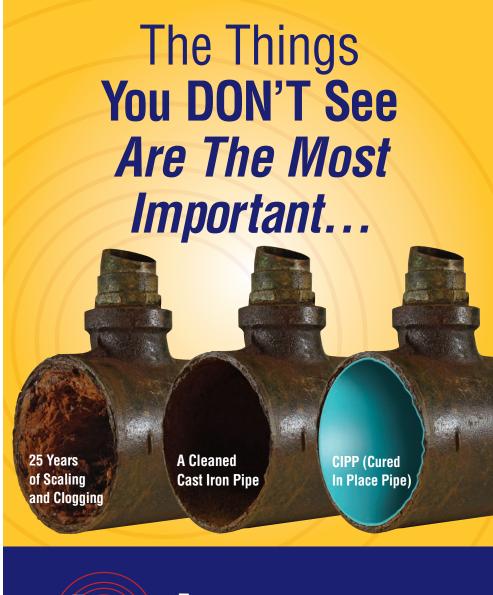
### + Publix continues to nail new store

If construction continues on schedule, the island could be just about three months away from the opening of its new Publix.

Contractors worked this week to construct a hip-roof near the entrance of the new store — i.e. the flat, pyramid shaped roof with four faces slanting downward. They are also continuing to put up a parapet around the roof, which is covered by yellow sheathing.

Perforated drainage pipes were stacked late last week at the southwest corner of the construction site, near the new CVS.

Fill dirt, which will be used for site elevation and for foundation work, is currently piling up at the site of the old CVS in preparation for the construction of parking spaces.





### BY THE NUMBERS: CODE ENFORCEMENT COUNTS

The Longboat Key Code Enforcement Board often hears one case or two during its monthly meetings. But those cases make up just a tiny sliver of violations that the town's code enforcement handles, the vast majority of which are resolved and don't go before the

During the first seven months of the year, code enforcement handled a total of 596 violations.

Turtle-lighting violations peak in May, the first month of nesting season, and then typically decrease during subsequent summer months as property owners address lighting issues.

Maintenance of premises violations also spike during the summer, because many property owners are out of town.

— Robin Hartill

### **CODE ENFORCEMENT VIOLATIONS**

Category	January	February	March	April	May	June	July
Building permit	18	21	15	21	25	14	12
Signs	45	40	55	33	13	14	13
Maintenance of premises	6	6	11	12	6	19	26
Trees	3	0	2	0	5	2	0
Junk accumulation	1	2	6	4	5	3	1
Turtles	0	0	0	0	59	44	10
Miscellaneous	5	3	3	4	3	3	3
Abandoned property/beach chairs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

### **ZONING CODE VIOLATIONS**

Category	January	February	March	April	May	June	July
Driveways, fences, misc.	2	2	3	3	4	3	3
Rental complaints	4	5	6	6	2	0	4
Schedule use of regulations	1	1	0	1	0	2	0
Accessory use	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Utilization of yards	1	1	1	2	3	1	1
Yard regulations	0	1	1	1	1	1	1
Walls, fences, hedges	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Screening regulations	1	2	1	1	1	0	0
Intersection visibility	6	8	4	3	0	0	0
Home occupations	1	1	1	2	0	0	0



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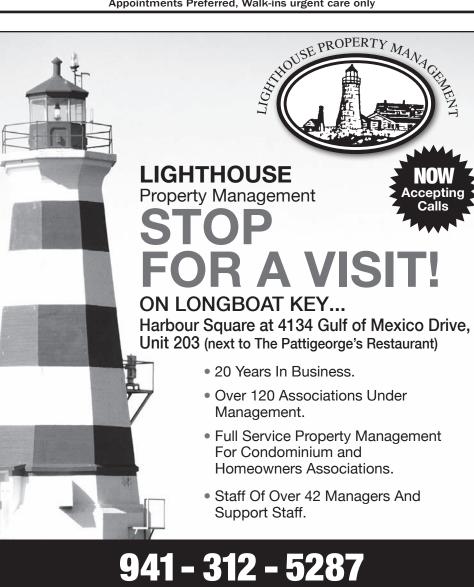
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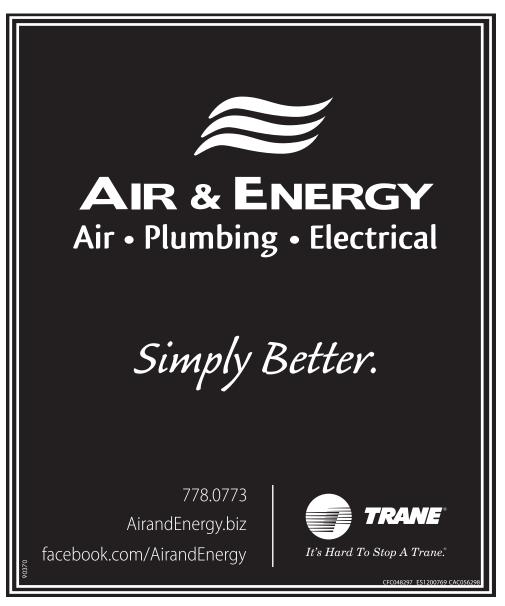
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### KEY CLUB TIMELINE

"Four more years."

It's a rallying cry for incumbent supporters during election season — but probably not one that either side would hope for when it comes to litigation surrounding the Longboat Key Club and Resort.

For those who missed a hearing — or 22 — and didn't watch the challenges unfold in Sarasota and Lakeland courtrooms, we've compiled the major events in the Longboat Key Club and Resort applications and its challenges. And, if you watched the events unfold at Temple Beth Israel and beyond, we're sure you'll take a moment to reflect and ask yourself:

Where has the time gone?

#### **APRIL 10, 2008**

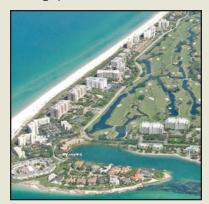
The Longboat Key Club and Resort unveiled a \$500 million renovation project for its Islandside property. The plan included a new 222-room hotel, 261 new condominium units in two 10-story buildings, a resort meeting center, a new wellness center and spa and a Rees Jonesdesigned golf course.

#### **MAY 2008**

The Islandside Property Owners Coalition (IPOC) opposed the plan in an official statement in which the group's president, Bob White, described it as "too strong a departure from the character of the neighborhood." IPOC had formed four years earlier in response to the Key Club's \$20 million proposed Ca' d'Coure plan, which Key Club parent company Loeb Realty Group ultimately withdrew.

### ▼ SEPT. 30, 2008

The Key Club filed a pre-application request with the town for a scaled-back, \$400 million plan. Revisions included a 40% reduction in residences, 12% reduction in hotel space and less square footage for meeting space.



### NOV. 7, 2008

The Key Club filed its amendment application, which officially put the project on the record with the Planning Zoning & Building Department.

### DEC. 10, 2009

The P&Z Board voted 4-3 to forward the project to the Longboat Key Town Commission.

### JANUARY 2010 AND FEBRUARY 2010

Key Club officials modified the plan by putting 65 condominium units in the hotel to reduce the condominium tower heights in response to IPOC concerns, then added a floor to the hotel and removed one villa building after Key Club planners realized that the villas near New Pass violated town codes.

### **APRIL 16, 2010**

The commission voted 4-3 in favor of code changes suggested by the Key Club.

### MAY 27, 2010

Former PZ&B Director Monica Simpson issued a 17-page memo recommending that the commission deny the plan, saying it was too large and dense.

### JUNE 14, 2010

The commission voted 4-3 on first reading in favor of an alternative redevelopment project crafted by Town Attorney David Persson and then Mayor George Spoll over the prior weekend that included no residential or tourism units north of Longboat Club Road, relocation of the new wellness center and spa and net reduction of 46 units.

Key Club officials said that the alternative project approved was not workable.

#### **▼ JUNE 28, 2010**

The commission approved the plan by a 6-1 vote that included much of what the Key Club had asked for, including an 11-story hotel, standalone meeting center, wellness center and spa and renovated Islandside golf course, and the most challenged aspects of the plan: villas on both sides of Longboat Club Road and a sevenstory condominium building on the south side of the road. The approval came more than four hours into a meeting and after 22 public hearings.



### JULY 14, 2010

IPOC filed an administrative appeal with the Department of Community Affairs challenging seven code changes suggested by the Key Club that the commission approved.

### JULY 30, 2010

IPOC and the L'Ambiance and Sanctuary associations filed a declaratory action in the 12th Judicial Circuit Court against the town and Key Club in which they claimed that the approved plan was inconsistent with the town's Comprehensive Plan.

### AUG. 9, 2010

IPOC and the associations filed a petition in the 12th Judicial Circuit Court for a writ of certiorari, claiming the approval of the development order constituted a serious miscarriage of judgment.

### **NOVEMBER 2011**

IPOC filed a voluntary dismissal of one of its three challenges after the former Florida Department of Community Affairs found that the code amendments passed that affected the project were in compliance with the town's Comprehensive Plan.

### DEC. 31, 2011

Twelfth Judicial Circuit Judge Charles E. Roberts quashed the development order, ruling in favor of IPOC and the associations on all seven of their claims and concluding that the commission "departed from the essential requirements of law in approving the Development Order."

### JUNE 5, 2012

The parties made oral arguments before the 2nd District Court of Appeal in the town and Key Club challenge of Roberts' ruling.

### JULY 2, 2012

Despite IPOC opposition, the commission passed various changes to the town's zoning code, many of which directly addressed Roberts' issues with the development order.

### JULY 18, 2012

IPOC, Key Club and town officials participated in mediation that did not result in resolution.

### AUG. 29, 2012

The 2nd District Court of Appeals upheld Roberts' ruling, effectively killing the Islandside's current application.

### **KEY CLUB / FROM 1A**

the next steps with the resort's London-based investors, many of whom were on vacation at the time of the ruling.

"Until they get back next week, we won't be able to recommend the next steps," Welly said. "Doing it by the numbers, we're pretty much in limbo, if you will."

IPOC President Bob White said that he is expecting another application of some sort.

"I would hope that a reapplication would be something that would be more consistent with the town code and more in compliance with the tenets of the Islandside PUD (planned unit development) are and have been," White said.

Meanwhile, a declaratory case, in which IPOC is the sole plaintiff and the town the lone defendant, remains pending in the 12th Judicial Circuit Court before Judge Lee Haworth. The suit initially claimed that the development order through which the Longboat Key Town Commission approved the Key Club's \$400 million redevelopment-and-expansion plan was inconsistent with the town's Comprehensive Plan.

In July, IPOC filed an amended complaint challenging recent zoning code changes.

IPOC attorney Robert Lincoln said that he believes that the Key Club could encounter problems with the town's Comprehensive Plan and zoning code if it preceded with an application at the current time. He argued that the ordinance that changed the zoned district and development standards without amending the zoning map.

Lincoln said he believes that the ruling "puts to bed" many of the town's defenses that he described as predicated around the idea that IPOC was improperly attacking the project's development order.

"Now, clearly, the development order doesn't exist any longer and we're not attacking the development order anymore," Lincoln said.

Not surprisingly, Welly expressed disappointment following the ruling.

"When we went into this, we obviously understood that the odds were not in our favor," he said.

But the nearly three months that passed following June 5 oral arguments gave way to optimism among Key Club officials and supporters.

The court could have issued a per curium ruling in which the three-judge panel would have upheld Roberts' ruling without writing an opinion — a decision that could have come within a few weeks.

But, as the case remained pending, many speculated that the court was writing an opinion, which would be required to overturn the ruling. Instead, the court wrote an opinion upholding the decision.

" ... I think the time it took them to rule maybe misled us all a bit," Welly said.

White, meanwhile, felt vindicated by the ruling.

"The fact that the court has upheld the ruling shows that the Town Commission has egregiously exercised its power and abused its code in violation of the law," he said. "Frankly, I think that those commission members who are still sitting,

### WHAT THE JUDGES SAID

In a 12-page opinion, Judge Edward LaRose, who authored the opinion, and Judges Nelly Khouzam and Robert Morris Jr. rejected both of the town's and Key Club's arguments. The arguments stated the circuit court improperly reweighed evidence by singling out testimony from former Planning Zoning & Building Director Monica Simpson, in which she stated that she could not recommend approval of the project, and that the court should have applied the town's interpretation of any ambiguities in its zoning code consistently and in a manner that favors property owners, whenever possible.

The appeals court ruled that the circuit court's "analysis focused with precision on the specific words in the code and its definitions, only mentioning Ms. Simpson's testimony to summarize the arguments before making its own decision utilizing statutory interpretation."

The court rejects the argument that recitation of Simpson's testimony amounts to reweighing evidence, stating that it could thwart reasoned judicial evidence and encourage a judge to omit meaningful background information.

who agreed to this, should resign. I think they owe the residents of Longboat Key, as well as the residents of Islandside, an apology."

snap shot by Robin Hartill | City Editor

# Camera system could soon enter the picture

The town met last week with three vendors to discuss a license-plate recognition system.

The process of obtaining license-plate recognition cameras on each end of the Key has not exactly happened in a snap.

The late Longboat Key Police Chief Al Hogle first suggested the system in 2010.

But the town is moving forward with plans for the cameras, which will snap photos of license plates, but not drivers, entering and leaving the Key in approximately 250 milliseconds and immediately send the data to the Florida Crime Information Center. The information sent would notify the department if any of the images taken contained information about a stolen vehicle or relating to a wanted or missing person alert.

According to Police Chief Pete Cumming, the town has narrowed down its pool of vendors to three from about a dozen that bid on the project. The town met with those three vendors Wednesday, Aug. 29.

Cumming declined to discuss costs until the contract is finalized or when the project will likely be completed but said that work on the system could begin within a month.

The town will work with the Florida Department of Transportation and FPL to determine placement. Most likely, two cameras will be installed on a single pole on each end of the Key, for a

### **CRIME WATCH**

At press time, Police Chief Pete Cumming was scheduled to provide an update on license-plate cameras and a five-year analysis of crime trends on the island during the 7 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 4 Longboat Key Town Commission meeting.

For a meeting recap, visit YourObserver.com.

total of four cameras.

When Hogle began to work on bringing cameras to the Key, he encountered hurdles because FDOT only allows law enforcement to place red-light and toll-violation cameras in its rights of way. Hogle had determined that placement on polls on the side of the road would be possible, although it would make it more difficult for the cameras to capture data.

Although exact placement still needs to be determined, the cameras will be placed in a location in which data can be captured from each vehicle coming over either bridge.

Cumming has witnessed how similar camera systems work.

"It's a wealth of information that these cameras capture," he said.



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# Don't give up; lessons learned

It's probably human nature to engage in that old cliche, "Monday morning quarterbacking" — second-guessing how and why your team lost.

You can bet a lot of that occurred last week in the wake of the Florida 2nd District Court of Appeal ruling that affirmed a lower court's quashing of the Longboat Key Town Commission's approval of the Longboat Key Club and Resort's proposed \$400 million expansion and redevelopment plan.

It does little good at this point to lay blame on anyone for this outcome. Obviously, the legal strategy the Key Club and its lawyers employed didn't work. They believed — along with the town attorney — the Town Commission had the authority to modify town codes in a way that would clarify what everyone would say were vague and ambiguous codes; and modify them to achieve what the commissioners (and majority of Longboaters) wanted — to allow a property owner the right of use of his property, in this case a bigger, better Longboat Key Club and Resort.

The opposition believed otherwise. It opposed the size and scale of the Key Club's plans, and the path to thwart it was to challenge the process.

The opposition will argue in perpetuity this was an issue about the rule of law—one party trying to change the rules at the expense of another. But when you really cut through all of the legal jungle, a small group of the Key Club's neighbors simply did not want to see the Key Club build what it proposed.

In the end, you never know how a judge or jury will rule. The winners in this instance, the Islandside Property Owners Coalition, likely will say the law was clear from the start. But were that so, the two court decisions likely would not have taken as long as they did to render, and this entire process would not have required more than three years and the millions of dollars each side spent on legal fees and consultants.

Regardless, rather than the Key Club and town attorney engage in *shouldas* — should have done this, should have done that — or have the victors engage in *we-told-you-so's*, it's best to accept that the courts' decisions are what they are. Move on; go forward.

Now the logical question is: Where do the losing sides go from here?

As of this writing, Key Club officials were still discussing options. For the sake of Longboat Key's future, we hope the Key Club's New York owners don't give up. Longboat Key needs the Key Club to grow and improve its facilities. It's an extraordinary, one-of-a-kind property and asset, and it should remain a showcase resort for this region — it's the only one Greater Sarasota has!

It would be understandable if New York-based Loeb Partners, managing partner of the Key Club, gives up. You can imagine how deflated and frustrated its executives feel after spending more than three years and more than \$2 million on architects, planners, consultants and lawyers. As we have often said, money flows where it is welcome. So you have to believe the Key Club's owners may be discussing: What's the point of continuing the fight? There

### A MESSAGE OF EXASPERATION, DISAPPOINTMENT



The 2nd District Court of Appeal decision last week against the Longboat Key Club and Resort and town prompted Longboat Key resident **Jeff McKee** to send us his Photoshop interpretation of the ruling.

are thousands of other investments that would welcome Loeb Partners' capital more so than Longboat Key. Who wants to be neighbors with people who believe it's OK for them to build and live in 12-story beachfront condominiums but not OK for you to do likewise?

Longboaters should hope they don't rue this day as the turning point that placed the Key on a long, costly, downward spin. If town commissioners still want what most Longboaters want, it may be wise for them to be showing Loeb Partners (and its potential new partner, Ocean Properties) some love, support and encouragement.

Meanwhile, the courts' rulings could and should prompt town officials to say that, while they go forward, they also should look back for lessons. What could have, should have been done differently to avoid the monumental confrontation that occurred? What needs to change?

Here's a start: As we remember the history of the Key Club's application process, the club's lawyers and management encountered what every developer and contractor has confronted for the past 25 years on Longboat Key. The town staff lacked this one, essential approach: Let us help you figure out what it will take to get you where you want to go as long as it's within the confines of the law.

The opening line should always be: "How can we help?" That would have saved so much of the past three years of grief and money for all sides.

# + Parking tickets galore Mention the word "parking" to Diana

Mention the word "parking" to Diana Corrigan, executive director of the St. Armands Circle Association, and you're likely to see flames and smoke spewing from her eyes, nose, mouth and ears.

Talk about a hot subject.
In recent months, ever since the geniuses

at Sarasota City Hall pulled the parking meters from downtown Sarasota, St. Armands Circle has become parking hell. And Corrigan has felt much of hell's heat.

Shoppers who have been ticketed have thrown parking tickets in her face. They have called her on the phone and called her and the city of Sarasota nasty, unprintable names in loud, rude tones. And they have sent her sizzling emails, railing against the city's ridiculous parking policies.

Ever since the parking-meter fiasco, the Sarasota City Commission supported a gettough policy on parking all over the city to make up for lost funds from the meters. On St. Armands Circle, this is how that policy has been translated:

If a portion of your car is parked outside of the rectangular parking boxes — say your front wheels are on the lines — *bam!* You get a parking ticket. If the rear fin of your car is hanging outside of the lines because you're not the greatest parallel parker — *bam!* You get a ticket.

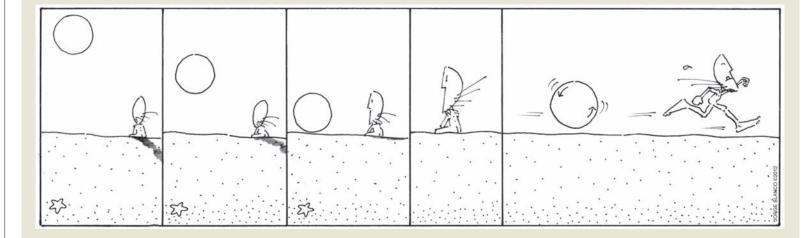
City cops have been writing tickets left and right for these minor, minor infractions.

The merchants are in an uproar.
So they asked Mayor Suzanne Atwell
and the city's parking director, Mark
Lyons, to attend a Circle Association board
meeting to hear first-hand how this policy
is working. Talk about a successful "sales
prevention program," this one is working.

Atwell vowed to take action and to get the policy relaxed on St. Armands. She acknowledged: One size parking policy does not fit all.

That was a month ago.
And how has this issue been addressed?
City staffers recently installed more
(yes, more) signs on St. Armands
Circle, instructing motorists to "park in
designated parking spaces."

### THE CASTAWAY by Jorge Blanco



### golden eggs by Robin Hartill | City Editor

# Turtles leave nesting mode after record season

Lights out for the turtles.

It's the law of the land — at least for local beachfront communities such as Longboat Key — until Oct. 31, the official end of nesting season.

But, although turtle nests will continue to hatch for the next two months, in late August and early September, turtles typically get out of nesting mode.

This year is no different.

According to Hayley Rutger, public relations coordinator at Mote Marine Laboratory and Aquarium, which patrols the beach for turtle nests from the Sarasota County portion of Longboat Key south to Venice, nesting season appears to be over.

Rutger said Aug. 31, that more than a week had passed since the most recent nests were found.

"It's pretty much in line with what we've seen in past years," Rutger said.

Cyndi Seamon, a longtime volunteer with Longboat Key Turtle Watch, which patrols the Manatee County portion of the Key, agreed that nesting appeared to be over.

According to Seamon, after two weeks pass without new nests being laid, Mote typically notifies patrollers, who then begin spot-checking nests that have already been identified, rather than walking the entire beach in search of new nests.

In terms of the overall number of nests laid, the season has been no less than spectacular. A total 2,385 loggerhead nests between Longboat Key (encompassing the entire island) and Venice were laid, in addition to six green turtle nests.

"It's the highest year for nesting numbers in the 31 years that Mote has been patrolling these beaches," Rutger said.

But will that translate to more hatchlings?

Sea turtles will continue to hatch in the next two months, but turtles are unlikely to lay new nests this season.



Photos by Harriet Sokmensuer

Donna Heffner, left, helps excavate a nest Sunday evening on Longboat Key's public beach. One live turtle was found stuck under the sand, and the Longboat Key Turtle Watch team helped it and five turtles rescued from other nests into the Gulf.



Debby, which destroyed approximately 950 nests.

Seamon said that she recently excavated two nests, one of which had 96 unhatched eggs and the other of which had 72 that didn't hatch likely the result of being underwater during and after Debby.

"I was optimistic that it's going to be a record year (for hatchlings), but, based on my experience, I think that





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### **AUG. 28** STOLEN STATUES

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The woman said that she took everything from outside her residence inside but forgot about the statues.

### IN NEED OF A REFILL

7:01 p.m. — 600 block of Buttonwood Drive. Field Investigation. A caller reported that a man was sleeping inside his pickup truck. The man said that he parked in the spot because he was low on fuel. His girlfriend was en route to bring him fuel.

### **AUG. 30**

### MADE TO STICK

2:30 p.m. — 1900 block of GMD. Property Damage. A man and woman told police that workers accidentally sprayed their vehicles with adhesive. Police observed a

### **BLOCK SHOPPERS**

7:18 p.m. — 500 block of Emerald Harbor Drive. Suspicious Circumstance. A woman reported that a neighbor noticed a black car stopped at her home and two people exited the vehicle and walked around her home, apparently looking at the front

door. Police arrived on scene and found no signs of forced entries. Neighbors described the subjects as a white female with a tattoo on

her leg and a white male with a husky build and either short hair or no hair. Police located the couple, who said that they were looking at the home, which is listed as a foreclosure. The caller told police that she was in the process of purchasing the home.

light dusting of saw dust and small specs of a hard substance that could be removed by rubbing. The company owner told police that his workers were using an adhesive that could have blown onto the vehicles and agreed to pay to have it removed.

### **NO NEWS IS GOOD NEWS**

Cops Corner is on the light side this week, reflecting the sluggish pace of Longboat Key during the final days of August.

But no news is good news, and that's what Acting Longboat Key Police Chief Pete **Cumming** reported in an email to Town Manager Dave Bullock last week: During the weekend and Monday, as Tropical Storm Isaac threatened the area, there were no reports of burglaries or thefts.

Police increased patrols to prepare for the storm, which, aside from a few scattered showers, passed over the island.

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### Sail aWaV by Rachel S. O'Hara | Staff Photographer



Opti Fleet line up to race Saturday, Sept. 1.

Photos by Rachel S. O'Hara

# Sailing Squadron hosts annual regatta



A radial sailor waits for the race to start.

The 66th annual Sarasota Sailing Squadron Labor Day Regatta was held Friday, Aug. 31 through Sunday, Sept. 2. Racing took place Saturday and Sunday with an award ceremony following the Sunday races. There were approximately 500 sailors, ranging in age from 8 to 80, who competed over the weekend.



An Opti Fleet racer in action Saturday, Sept. 1.



**Diane Banyard** racing in the Sunfish Fleet.

### **OBITUARIES**

### **Francine Cetron**

Francine Cetron, of Longboat Key, died Aug. 27.

She is survived by her husband, Dr. Allan Cetron; son, Martin Cetron; daughter, Jackie Soslow; and five grandchildren.

Services and burial were held last week in Cherry Hill, N.J. Contributions in her memory may be made to the National Cancer Institute, www. cancer.gov, or Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center, www.mskcc.org.

### William R. Hoff

William R. Hoff, of Mequon, Wis., and Longboat Key, died July 20. He

was 90.

Mr. Hoff was a Milwaukee Country Day and Cornell University graduate, decorated World War II veteran and retired treasurer of ACRO Automation. He was a longtime Marietta Gang and Town Club member and renowned master of the down-the-line passing shot.

He was preceded in death by his brothers Bob and Tugger.

He is survived by his wife, Pauline; children Paul, Bill Jr. and Nancy Hoff Covert; and seven grandchildren.

In lieu of a memorial service, hoist an MGD in his honor and donate to the American Cancer Society.

### **WORSHIP SERVICES**

All Angels by the Sea Episcopal Church, 563 Bay Isles Road, will hold Sunday worship services at 9 a.m. The Rev. David Danner is the rector. 383-8161.

Christ Church of Longboat Key, Presbyterian USA, 595 Bay Isles Road, will hold Sunday worship services at 10 a.m. The Rev. Bruce Porter is the pastor. 383-8833.

Longboat Island Chapel, 6200 Gulf of Mexico Drive, will hold Sunday worship services at 10 a.m. 383-6491.

**St. Armands Key Lutheran Church**, 40 N. Adams Drive, will hold contemporary Sunday worship services

at 9 a.m. and traditional Sunday worship services at 11 a.m. The Rev. Mark Bernthal is the pastor. 388-1234.

St. Mary, Star of the Sea, Catholic Church, 4280 Gulf of Mexico Drive, will hold daily Mass at 9 a.m. Monday through Friday, Saturday Mass at 5 p.m. and Sunday Masses at 8:30 and 10:30 a.m. Msgr. Gerard Finegan is the pastor. 383-1255.

**Temple Beth Israel**, 567 Bay Isles Road, will hold Shabbat services at 5:30 p.m. Fridays and 10 a.m. Saturdays. Jonathan Katz is the rabbi. 383-3428.



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Saturday: 5:00 PM
Sunday: 8:30 AM & 10:30 AM
Daily Monday-Friday: 9:00 AM
Confession before all weekend Masses
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Sermon "Security in an Insecure World"

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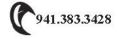


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Tuesday, September 25th

7:30 pm Kol Nidre

Wednesday, September 26th

10:00 am Morning Service & Yizkor

Wednesday, September 26th

4:30 pm Healing Service

Wednesday, September 26th

5:30 pm Neilah & Break-the-Fast

(prepaid reservations required for Break the Fast - \$10 members - \$15 non members)

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Saturday, September 8th Friday, October 5th Friday, October 12th

7:30 pm Havdalah & Selichot 7:30 pm Erev Shabbat & Sukkot 7:30 pm Erev Shabbat & Simchat Torah

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### **REAL ESTATE**

A three-bedroom condo in Grand Bay sells for \$917,000. PAGE 16A



### **INSIDE**

Key Club heats up the holiday with barbecue. PAGE 18A



### WEATHER

See this week's weather photo contest winner. PAGE 21A



Above: **Florian Haidukiewicz**, 16, and his mother, Marion, stay cool by playing **Pro Kadima**.



A rose is about to bloom in Joan M. Durante Park.



**Linda Gillott** prepares to hit a backhand during a friendly doubles game.

Longboat Key may only be 10 miles long, but the scenery within those miles is something to behold. During season it can be hard to take in the beauty of the Key because of the hustle and bustle. But during the summer months, the area feels more serene and Gulf of Mexico Drive is clear of cars rushing its length.

This time of year is when locals and summer visitors head to the beach; spend time in the shade of the trees; sail along Sarasota Bay; fish in the Village and wander through Joan M. Durante Park admiring the beautiful blooming flowers

ful, blooming flowers.

The heat can seem brutal at times but those who do venture out, find ways to keep cool and enjoy the Longboat Key summer days, whether they take to the shade or to the water to cool down.

Summer days are quiet and calm, and those who are around to experience them appreciate every one.



 $\label{eq:Photos_problem} \mbox{Photos by Rachel S. O'Hara} \mbox{ A heron prepares to catch lunch.}$ 



Two peacocks make their way down Broadway in the Village.



An orange geiger tree in bloom



A variety of brightly colored kayaks and rowboats lie on the shore in the Village of Longboat Key.



Bill Reilly catches a pinfish off the town dock.

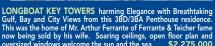


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BIRD KEY - 4 BR/3.3BA Location! Location! This beautiful custom home has it all - fabulous downtown views across Sarasota Bay, granite kitchen with milk-glaze cabinetry, "Morning Room' with 8 Step crown molding, gorgeous pool, dock & lift. The first floor master suite has stunning Bay views and the second floor "Great Room" has "forever" Bay views from the terrace.\$3,690,000







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KEY TOWER SOUTH-Great Views of the Gulf, Downtown Sarasota and the John Ringling Bridge from this 2BR/2BA updated condominium home. \$479,000



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Unit 1302 at Fairway Bay, 1926 Harbourside Drive, has two bedrooms, three baths and 1,626 square feet of living area. It sold for \$295,000.

# Grand Bay condominium sells for \$917,000

The following residential real-estate 1302 condominium at 1926 Harbourtransactions took place between Aug. 20 and Aug. 24.

A condominium in Grand Bay tops all transactions in this week's real estate. Mary Block, trustee, sold the Unit 374 condominium at 3030 Grand Bay Blvd. to Renee Balogh, of Longboat Key, for \$917,000. Built in 1998, it has three bedrooms, three-and-a-half baths and 2,369 square feet of living area. It previously sold for \$950,000 in 2002.

### Fairway Bay

HSBC Bank USA, trustee, sold the Unit

side Drive to Terry Boss and Susan Boss, of Centreville, Va., for \$295,000. Built in 1982, it has two bedrooms, three baths and 1,626 square feet of living area. It previously sold for \$655,000 in 2007.

### St. Armands

Thomas and Tammy Olin, of Englewood, sold their home at 214 S. Washington Drive to 214 S. Washington Drive LLC for \$333,000. Built in 2006, it has four bedrooms, three-and-one-half baths, a pool and 2,776 square feet of living area. It previously sold for \$1.5 million in 2008.



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### **BUILDING PERMITS**

These are the largest building permits issued by the Longboat Key Planning and Zoning Department for the week of Aug. 24 through Aug. 30, in order of dollar amounts. (GMD = Gulf of Mexico Drive)

Address	Permit	Applicant	Amount
415 L'Ambiance Drive	Alteration	Nancy Flemming	\$122,821
535 Sanctuary Drive	Alteration	William Centers	\$86,839.91
3542 Fair Oaks Lane	Addition	Ellen Rothbaum	\$80,000
535 Sanctuary Drive	Alteration	Kelly King	\$71,596
593 Rountree Drive	Alteration	George Symanski Jr.	\$71,539
		The Shore	
5757 GMD	Alteration	Condominium Association	\$69,190
415 L'Ambiance Drive	Alteration	Laurence Merriman	\$60,000
3037 GMD	Alteration	Francis Trulaske, trustee	\$49,750
2425 GMD	Alteration	Andrew Terzis	\$44,978
1241 GMD	Alteration	Tracy Beswick, trustee	\$42,000
601 Golf Links Lane	Alteration	Richard Meckstroth	\$36,582
2020 Harbourside Drive	Alteration	Frederic Marsh	\$35,000
560 Chipping Lane	Alteration	Roger Kilgore	\$30,000
		Beach Castle	
5310 GMD	Alteration	Condominium Association	\$18,000
701 Marbury Lane	Re-roof	T. David DeFratus	\$9,250
6334 Laguna Drive	Alteration	Leonard Meyer	\$6,935
		Seaplace	
1955 GMD	Re-roof	Condominium Association	\$6,750
3525 GMD	Alteration	YIPPPEEE3 LLC	\$6,410
7119 Longboat Key Drive E.	Re-roof	Gail Condrick	\$5,700
638 Norton St.	Alteration	Thomas Cetwinski	\$2,100
5610 GMD	Alteration	Albritton Fruit Co.	\$1,000
2083 GMD	Alteration	Jay Swick	\$550
2069 GMD	Alteration	Fred Walter	\$550
2912 GMD	Alteration	James Armstrong	\$0
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BIRD KEY - Custom 2001 built 3,500sf bay front home, top of the line throughout. A3963202 \$2,575,000



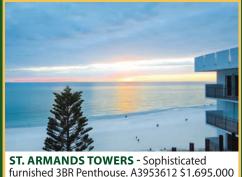
BAY ISLES - Custom designed 6,000sf 5BR home in exclusive gated neighborhood. A3959515 \$3,795,000



RITZ BEACH RESIDENCES - Elegantly designed 3,300sf 3BR condo. A3959431 \$2,800,000



WATER CLUB - Direct Gulf front 3,400sf 3BR furnished condo. A3957287 \$2,650,000



THE GRANDE - Exquisitely appointed Gulf front 3BR Penthouse w/ private garage. A3955033 \$1,950,000

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Bay community w/heated pool, tennis &



### BEACH BUDDIES by Harriet Sokmensuer | Observer Intern

# LBKC heats things up with Labor Day barbecue



Photos by Harriet Sokmensuer

Above: Amy and Ken Sussman with Lou and Rebecca Choen

Right: Carly and Jordyn Mallitz



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FAIRWAY BAY - 2BR/2.5BA stylishly FAIRWAY BAY - 2BR/2BA Furnished updated & furnished townhome with corner Penthouse. One covered parking boat dock. \$399,500 space. \$429,000

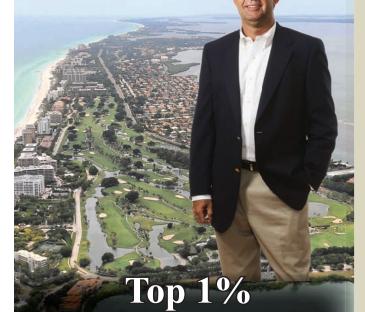


GULF OF MEXICO DRIVE - 3BR/2.5BA country club shores - 3BR/3BA TWIN SHORES - 1BR+Den/2BA home estate on large lot with bay views & Updated canal front home w/large private canal. \$1,979,000 caged lanai & pool. \$799,000 caged lanai & pool. \$799,000









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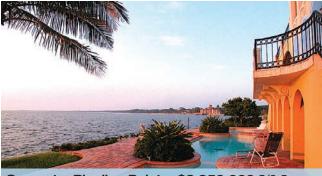
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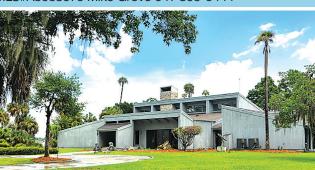
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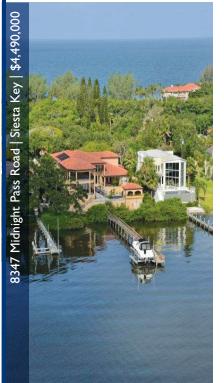


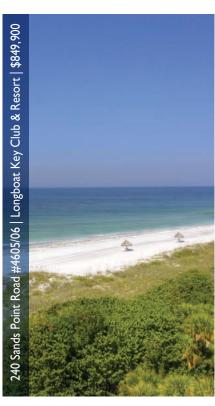


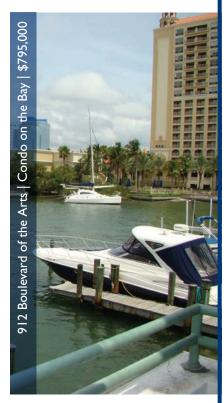


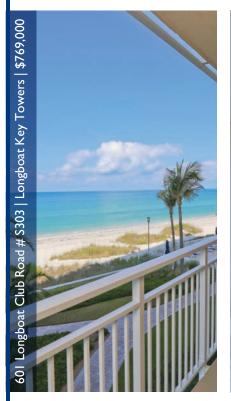
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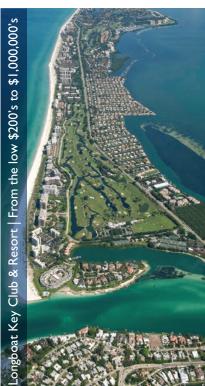










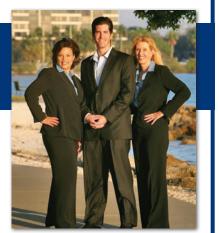


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### THE SCISSORS COUP

This week's deal features the Scissors Coup, so-called because it cuts communications between the two defenders.

East's 4♦ was pre-emptive, showing long Diamonds and not much else.

As West, what's your opening lead? It would be reasonable to lead  $K^{\clubsuit}$ , attempting to set up a Club trick while you still have the  $A^{\spadesuit}$  entry. That doesn't work on the actual deal because of Declarer's Club singleton. A more promising plan might be to lead the singleton Heart, later winning the  $A^{\spadesuit}$ , then under leading the  $A^{\spadesuit}$  to East's hoped for  $K^{\spadesuit}$  and getting a Heart ruff for down one. As you can see, that plan is the winner. Well, not quite, because there is a clever counter-measure. How can Declarer deprive West of his ruff?

Enter the Scissors Coup. Declarer wins the Heart lead in Dummy, and before touching trumps, she cashes A and leads another Club, pitching a Diamond when East plays low. By this maneuver Declarer trades a Diamond loser for a Club loser, in the process thwarting West in his plan to reach East with the K. Now with the defensive communications snipped, Declarer loses only the A and a Club (but there is no Diamond loser and no Heart ruff).

Post Script: As West, you no doubt found that well thought-out Heart opening lead. Then, as Declarer, you made a clever play to bring home the 5 contract. Next, imagine that you hold the East cards but with the 6 replaced by the J . Now, after Dummy's A has been cashed, when a second Club is played, we are quite confident that you would alertly hop up with that J foiling the Scissors Coup. Nice play!

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Contact Brian Howard, owner/director of the Bridge Center of Bradenton, at 795-8981.



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North

♣ J 9 5

♥ A K J 7

♦ 4 3

🙅 A 10 8 7

West

♠ A 4

♥ 10

♠ A J 10 6 5

♣ K Q J 5 2

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South

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# Sudoku Pacific

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Solve the puzzle by placing the numbers 1 through 9 in each row, column and box. See answers on page 22A.

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### **TEMPERATURES**

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Wed. Aug. 29	88	76	97 (1970) 69 (1984)
Thurs. Aug. 30	91	76	98 (1970) 69 (1976)
Fri. Aug. 31	92	78	96 (1987) 55 (1985)
Sat. Sept. 1	92	77	98 (1998) 65 (1984)
Sun. Sept. 2	91	74	94 (1978) 68 (1988)
Mon. Sept. 3	90	72	95 (1990) 65 (1984)

Average Gulf water temperature: 86

### **TIDE CHART**

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Thurs. Sept. 6	3:33 a	5:48 p	11:50 a	10:33 p
Fri. Sept. 7	4:14 a	7:32 p	12:59 p	11:03 p
Sat. Sept. 8	5:07 a	_	2:18 p	_
Sun. Sept. 9	6:17 a	10:53 p	3:34 p	_
Mon. Sept. 10	7:45 a	11:19 p	4:37 p	1:50 a
Tues. Sept. 11	9:07 a	11:39 р	5:26 p	3:29 a
Wed. Sept. 12	10:12 a	11:56 р	6:06 p	4:37 a

### SUNRISE/SUNSET

	Sunrise	Sunset
Thurs., Sept. 6	7:12	7:46
Fri., Sept. 7	7:12	7:44
Sat., Sept. 8	7:12	7:43
Sun., Sept. 9	7:13	7:42
Mon., Sept. 10	7:13	7:41
Tues., Sept. 11	7:14	7:40
Wed., Sept. 12	7:14	7:39

### **MOON PHASES**

Sept. 8 Last	Sept. 15
- Last	

Sept. 29

Sept. 22

# Cool Today Weather Photo Contest Winner



Pat Mankes took this photo of an egret enjoying the sunset on Longboat Key.

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### **ACROSS**

- 1 Successor to Arafat 6 Plane staff
- 14 Old-time anesthetic
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- 28 "Touching"
- 31 Floating on the
- 32 Kidney-related
- perhaps
- great loss
- stand 47 Religious leader of
- a Muslim state
- 49 Luxury hotel amenity
- \_ we having fun

- 56 Thread's partner
- 62 Shutterbug's lab
- 65 What "exo-" means
- 67 "Indiana Jones and
- the Temple of " 69 Actor Gerard or

- 10 Small salamanders
- 19 Pizza serving
- 20 Prefix with "dynamic" or "space"
- 21 Tuftlike mass 22 Native from New
- 23 Marching cadence
- 26 Attacked by a bee
- 27 "By all means!"
- Olympic event?
- 29 Saddle attachment
- Aegean, e.g.
- 34 A leader no matter how you look at it
- 35 Point the finger at
- 37 Pond surface,
- 41 Event resulting in
- (var.)
- 50 Provocative
- yet?"
- 53 Falsehood
- 60 Guillotined
- Antoinette
- 64 Loan guarantor
- 66 Emulate Buffy
- baseballer Hodges

- pattern
- case
- supplies
- Brezhnev
- 89 Member of the
- weasel family
- 92 Mayo or jam, e.g.
- 93 TV's Carrington
- saga
- 95 Neither mini nor
- 100 Sandwich cookies
- 101 Sounded like a
- Siamese
- 112 Word on a society
- 115 Latte seller
- 120 Case for tweezers,
- scissors and such
- 124 Sheeplike

- songstress
- 133 States firmly

- **HANG YOUR HAT by Paul Jenn**
- 71 Item in the dairy

- 79 Hither's partner
- 81 Margarita feature
- nothings
- 86 Soviet leader

- - - maxi
    - 97 California's Santa
    - \_ winds

    - 109 Wild talk
    - 110 Choice beef cut

    - 113 Kick out of a flat

    - 121 \_\_\_ in victory

    - 130 Repo man's
    - 131 "To Sir With Love"

- 70 Diamond-shaped 135 Scented Hawaiian
- 75 Unstressed vowel
- sounds
- 80 Calligraphers'
- 85 Whisperer of sweet

- 91 Afro-Cuban dance
- 94 Zoo swinger
- 103 Tote bags
- 44 One-legged camera
  - page
  - 117 Making an individual effort

  - 126 Object formally 129 Chops up
  - document
  - 132 Type size

  - 134 Not a good sound for a balloonist

- - souvenirs 136 Aftershock, for one
  - **DOWN**
  - 1 Like a fireplace
  - floor 2 Moper's hue
  - 3 Computer units
  - 4 Perform in a movie 5 Rat residence
  - 6 Chain of connected ideas
  - 7 Prepares leftovers 8 "To \_\_\_ is human
  - 9 Trials and tribulations
  - 10 Protest dummy 11 Regional plant
  - groups 12 Sightseeing trip
  - 13 Clean using elbow
  - grease 14 Miami couple?
  - 15 Japanese mat 16 Residential bash 17 Sea eagle
  - 18 Capital in the Baltics 24 Oil cartel since
  - 1960 25 List catchall 30 Promote, in a way
  - 33 Napkin's place 36 Hungry person's question?
  - 37 Desert Storm missiles
  - 38 Panama or Suez 39 UHF component 40 Obscure (var.)
  - 42 Some soda containers 43 Cheese-topped tuna sandwich
  - 45 Projecting window design 46 Last name in riding 119 Nerve
  - lawnmowers 48 Chinchilla coat
  - 51 Susan of "L.A. Law" 54 Rowdydows
  - 55 Owl's call 57 Saint whose feast day is December 25

- 58 Idle of comedy
- 59 City of India 61 Month before Sept. 63 Bon \_\_\_ (witty
- saying) 68 Title once held by Clint Eastwood
- 70 Test, as ore 71 Coating for popcorn or apples
- "Here today, tomorrow"
- 73 Pennsylvania has three
- 74 Just got by (with "out") 75 "Skedaddle!"
- 76 Two-door auto 77 Oxymoronic place to work
- 78 "Oh, what a tangled we weave" 81 Fab Four name
- 82 "Victory \_\_\_\_" (1954 film)
- 83 Allow to be known 84 Romantic
- rendezvous 86 Trip-taker's aid,
- perhaps 87 Big-budget film
- 88 Time of reckoning 90 Lennon's bride 96 "Et tu" day 98 Scottish "no"
- 99 Air sacs in the lungs 102 Frankfurter
- 104 Battery terminals 105 Holds the title of monarch
- 106 Russo of Hollywood 107 Acid-base indicator 108 Porgy
- 111 Trucker's expenses 114 Ceramic squares 115 Musical postscript
- 116 Tel \_\_\_\_, Israel 118 Lane of the Daily Planet
- 121 Henry (oftmarried king)
- 122Tiny six-footers 123Thorny part of a rose 125Curvy letter
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### This week's Cryptogram answers

- A guy asked his best friend about the difference between ignorance and apathy. The friend replied: "I don't know and I couldn't care less."
- A petty thief was in court. He complained of kleptomania. He told the judge and jury he had always taken something for it.

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