



BIMINI BAY MONTHLY

Your Neighborhood News

The Second Annual "Bimini Bay Luau"

Schmidt Brothers Homes, Inc.

July 2008

Happy July, Bimini Bay!



Best friends Michelle & Cheryl

People from throughout the Tampa Bay area came to enjoy the beautiful weather, delicious Hawaiian food & desserts, and live entertainment! The Hula shows were a definite hit, as was the tropical music that put us all in the 'Luau mood'!



The Hanlons & friends relax poolside at the Luau



Bimini resident Moses Droz with daughters Mariah & Madison

The Luau was a wonderful opportunity for our residents to meet & have a great time! Our hope is that at Bimini Bay, you always feel "right at home."



Bimini Bay Events

- July 4—The 4th of July! Channelside's Live Music/ Fireworks Celebration, 5-9pm
- July 14—BB Church w/ Joe Bennett & Mark Van Deman: 7pm @ Andy Schmidt's house (1009 Symphony Isles Blvd. Apollo Beach)

What a spectacular event the "2008 Bimini Bay Luau" was the last weekend of June!!



"The Bens": Ben Van Deman & Ben Mathews bond

Schmidt Brothers Homes had some exciting announcements to make, debuting their brand-new "Summer Pricing Specials" & giving away a Key West trip and a Ladies spa gift basket to two people who attended!



Choosing a yummy dessert!



Capt. Aaron's Corner: Your Local Fishing Guide "Get Wet"

**Inset: Future resident Aubi Martinez's first speared Great Barracuda!*

look anywhere there is relief from the sun: canal bottoms and under mangrove trees & docks. The swash channels just south of the MiraBay canal should be good for snook and smaller redfish this time of year, and don't forget to bring your arsenal of lures, jigs & live bait! **This Month's Tip:** Sunscreen is your friend... use it.

With the summer heat & afternoon rains here, this month is all about staying cool. Fishing should be best at morning and dusk. The shallow water bites should turn off each day as the heat turns up. At midday,

Lobster & scallop season opens this month and is a great way to get out on the boat & beat the heat. Whether you are 5' deep in grass-beds off the Homosassa River or 8' deep in Key West, these tasty treats are worth it! They should be easy to catch, and it sure beats going to Long John Silvers. Another alternative would be to try a little thing we like to call "Spearfishing". A typical day of underwater hunting should yield a cooler load of fish. If you're interested in a tutorial, the resident "Bluewater Brothers" are happy to oblige—just bring a mask, snorkel, fins & lots of chum... (don't ask). **Hot Spot:** South Skyway Fishing Pier (slack tide).

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"DID YOU KNOW?"

IKEA®

Furniture giant Ikea® has broken ground on their new South Tampa store, opening next summer just 20 minutes from Bimini Bay!



SCHMIDT BROTHERS HOMES

Together with his sons Aaron and Gabe, Andrew Schmidt founded Schmidt Brothers Homes, Inc. in 2002. Schmidt Brothers exists to build high-quality custom homes and communities with Excellence, Integrity, and superior Customer Service to the glory of God.

If you ever have a question, concern or suggestion, please do not hesitate to contact us. We are here to serve you and are continuously striving to make Bimini Bay the *best* place to live!

New Residents & Preschool!

Please welcome Walter Otto of 543 Bimini Bay Blvd. to our community! Also, Ken & Gwen Bedwell just moved into their new home at 6418 Grenada Island Ave. in mid-June. We hope you warmly welcome your newest neighbors!

There's something exciting happening right next door to Bimini Bay!! Starting August 18th, the Apollo Beach Community Church on Apollo Beach Blvd. will be opening its very own preschool for children ages 1-4! The Apollo Beach Christian Preschool will be open 7am-6pm weekdays during the school year, which ends May 29th. For your convenience, they offer two-, three-, & five-day programs each week. Annual tuition for the regular 8:30am-12:30pm preschool day ranges from \$1,500-\$2,000 depending on your child's age & weekly program. Their mission is *"to honor and serve Jesus Christ by providing academic and Biblical excellence for boys and girls while developing their faith in partnership with the home, the church and the community."*

For more information, contact the preschool's director Christine Rexroad at preschooldir@verizon.net or (813) 641-2201.

Capt. Aaron's Surf 'n' Turf Scallops

In honor of scallop season, Captain Aaron Schmidt shared his personal favorite scallop recipe with us!

- 1 lb. steak of choice (thick-cut ribeye)
- ½ cup fresh scallops
- 1 cup Alfredo sauce
- Salt & pepper to taste
- 2-3 T olive oil or butter
- A pinch minced garlic
- 1 T scallions
- Cayenne pepper (lots!)
- Chef Paul Prudhomme's Blackened Steak Magic (or your favorite blackened steak seasoning)

Optional:

- Rice or pasta
- Mango salsa

- Freshly sliced & peeled fruit (honeydew, cantaloupe, watermelon)

Combine olive oil/butter, garlic, & scallions in pre-heated saucepan. Cook 1-2 minutes over medium-high heat, then add scallops. Sear scallops for 45-60 seconds on each side (do not overcook).

To cook steak: If you're grilling, make sure grill is extremely hot in order to char the outside of your steak. Add seasonings liberally! Cook to preference (medium-rare with charred exterior is ideal).

Pile scallop mixture on top of steak. Generously pour Alfredo sauce on top. Serve over bed of rice or pasta. Goes great with mango salsa or other cool side dish.

Serve with fresh fruit. Serves 2-3.