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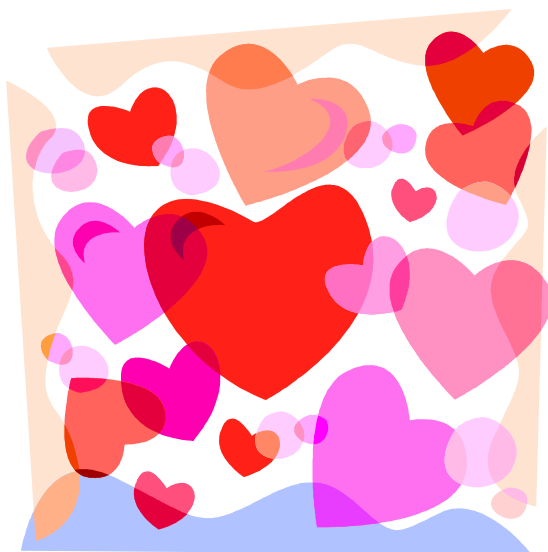
# **General Meeting**

**February 28, 7:30 PM**

Slide Presentation on

# **Bonaire**

## **& Digital Imaging**



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***Find Your Soul Dive***

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# NEWS FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hello Everyone,

I hope all had a great Christmas and New Year!

We are off and running into our 31<sup>st</sup> year as a dive club and I am proud to be your President!

It is a hard time of year, with the economy the way it is. Dive shop owners are questioning their existence. Dive boat operators have increased their fee not only for dives but, air fills to keep their head above water. They are all reporting slower sales, but still have customers that want to get certified.

Now would be the time to purchase new or used equipment from the local dive shops, should you need any. I received a great deal on the new "sling shot" fins by Aqua Lung and can't wait to try them out. Also, a lot of us received dive cameras for Christmas and are eager to learn from Art the dos and don'ts of photography.

We have a lot lined up for diving, socials and regular outings. We are going to try some new approaches to motivate long time members as well as the new members we never see.

We will invest in monthly advertising and membership drives.

Most of all we will try to get new members involved in the club. New members need sponsors to show them the ropes and keep informed about the club.

I will be asking long time members to get involved in participating in programs, running dive trips, and informative lectures that will give the newer members something to explore. Yes, we will be doing things the club has performed before (used scuba gear sales) and some new things we haven't and I ask your help and guidance to build the club to over one hundred members strong.

We have a minor set back in a meeting place, Gleason's Grille has closed and the owner will try one more time to make the restaurant work but, he has let the entire crew go and is working on remodeling the interior and has no reopening date as of today.

We will move ahead and try to find a more central location for The Central Florida Pleasure Divers meetings until then we will update all members of the new scheduled meeting location.

The next two meetings will be our kick off for getting ready for the dive season, so come out and listen for great suggestions for improving your dive readiness!

Lee



# Dive Chairman

## DIVE! DIVE! DIVE!

Don't we all just love to hear those words? The new dive committee is going to help make those words heard more often by the members of the club and their dive friends! We want the members to dive more often by having more club dives available locally (1 day trips) and making a dive buddy list available to all for those moments when you just get the itch to dive and need a buddy. We will be increasing the number of "events" we run as well as the number of dives. Look for a late March dive to Jupiter- I will be running the trip myself- and the club will be running at least one local dive a month. Keep your eyes peeled for more new trips---- don't forget the trips we already have on the books! The new committee has only been operational for a week--- we will be up to speed shortly- please don't be afraid to call us with new (or rehashed old) ideas. Here's what we need and how you can help-- -tell us what you want- diving or just fun -ideas-ideas-ideas -VOLUNTEER to run a trip -sign up for one of the trips already on the schedule!!!!!!!!!!!! I will be contacting all of you very shortly about the trip to Jupiter and our other exciting ventures.

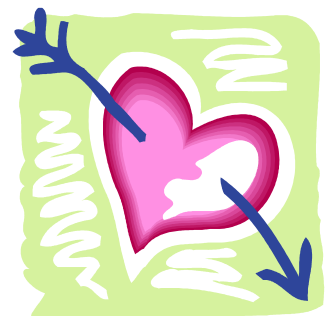
Tony



# Membership Page



**On vacation. see you next month.**



# Moby Dick

Who said Bonaire didn't have it all !! Last Friday, while staring over the water at Lac Cai, it didn't take long for Patrick Beijks trained photographer's eye to recognize that 'that thing bobbing up and down in the water' wasn't a tipped over fishing boat like some locals thought it was. Especially when the 'fishing boat' rolled over and waved at them! Patrick grabbed his camera and jumped in, snorkeled 2/3's of the way towards Sorobon Beach (while probably breaking some long standing swimming records!) and came across this beautiful humpback whale.





## Give a Little to Get a Lot for Sea Turtle Conservation

Just \$10 can win us \$50,000!

Please help [SEATURTLE.ORG](http://www.seaturtle.org) win a \$50,000 donation from America's Giving Challenge. All proceeds will support [SEATURTLE.ORG](http://www.seaturtle.org)'s mission of organizing the world's sea turtle information and making it universally accessible and useful.

Parade magazine and the Case Foundation are partnering with Network for Good and Six Degrees to launch America's Giving Challenge; an initiative to inspire and reward greater giving through online technology.

The challenge is unique in that awards will be based on the greatest number of "unique donations," NOT the total amount of money collected.



### How can you help?

- Visit the [SEATURTLE.ORG](http://www.seaturtle.org) homepage (<http://www.seaturtle.org>) and make a small donation (minimum \$10) through the charity badge, just follow the big blue arrow. 

If you have a non-US address please remember to select the Paypal payment option.

### If you want to do more...

- Post the [Seaturtle.org](http://www.seaturtle.org) charity badge on your own website.
- Simply click the "share" tab on the [SEATURTLE.ORG](http://www.seaturtle.org) charity badge to
- copy code that you can use.
- Become a [SEATURTLE.ORG](http://www.seaturtle.org) champion. Charities can win more than one \$50,000 award. To learn more about America's Giving Challenge and become a champion, follow the link below and click on "Champion a Cause": <http://www.parade.com/givingchallenge>



The top four US-based charities and top four international charities will receive \$50,000 each! So far the top charity has only 537 donations. The sea turtle community can certainly beat that!

Remember, it is the number of unique donations received, not the total amount, that counts. A minimum donation of \$10 is required. The challenge ends on 31 January 2008. Please consider supporting [SEATURTLE.ORG](http://www.seaturtle.org). Your \$10 donation could help [SEATURTLE.ORG](http://www.seaturtle.org) earn \$50,000!

[SEATURTLE.ORG](http://www.seaturtle.org)'s impact is far-reaching. Here are a few of our recent successes...

- [SEATURTLE.ORG](http://www.seaturtle.org) serves the needs of educators, students, scientists, conservationists & sea turtle enthusiasts around the world, with more than 1.5 million site visits a month from 180 countries.



- The [Satellite Tracking Website](#) continues to grow. [SEATURTLE.ORG](#) helps researchers from more than 100 projects around the world follow the movements of more than 2000 thousand animals. Cutting-edge tools allow scientists to monitor sea turtle locations with respect to red tide events, offshore dredging operations, and marine protected areas, and to [share their findings](#) with colleagues and the public in exciting and compelling ways.

Our increasing collection of photos in the [Image Library](#) helps to convey compelling information



- about threats facing the world's sea turtles and fosters the message of hope for their future.
- [Maptool](#) provides [SEATURTLE.ORG](#) users with access to high-resolution maps suitable for presenting scientific research at professional conferences and [in newspapers and journals](#), thus sharing the knowledge gained with the ocean conservation community.
- The [Sea Turtle Rehabilitation and Necropsy Database](#) ( STRAND ) is currently being used to manage sea turtle stranding data in the States of North and South Carolina (USA). Preparations are underway to allow stranding programs around the world to take advantage of STRAND .
- The [International Sea Turtle Observation Registry](#) (ISTOR) will be officially announced at the 28th Sea Turtle Symposium in Loreto , Mexico . The Registry will be available in a number of languages, allowing anyone with an internet connection to submit sea turtle sighting information to a centralized database from anywhere in the world, providing an exciting new tool for sea turtle researchers and managers.
- The [Marine Turtle Newsletter](#) continues to serve as the primary vehicle for sharing news and project results within the sea turtle community. This is especially important as we learn more about critically endangered sea turtles and strive to improve management strategies.
- The Sea Turtle [Links](#) and [News](#) Archives continue to grow, aggregating more than 3,000 new sea turtle related articles and links on the web, and now includes news in **English, Portuguese, Spanish and French**.
- The [Sea Turtler Directory](#) remains one of the most popular resources for the sea turtle conservation community, helping turtles from around the world communicate and stay in touch.



As we seek additional ways to support and improve sea turtle conservation worldwide, we need your assistance. Your gift to [SEATURTLE.ORG](#) will go a long way toward helping us to understand and protect sea turtles. Your generous contribution will help us enhance communication, educate the public and provide new tools and resources to improve our understanding of these magnificent creatures.

Show your support for [SEATURTLE.ORG](#) and the critical role it plays in sea turtle conservation, outreach and communication. [Contribute to the Challenge!](#)

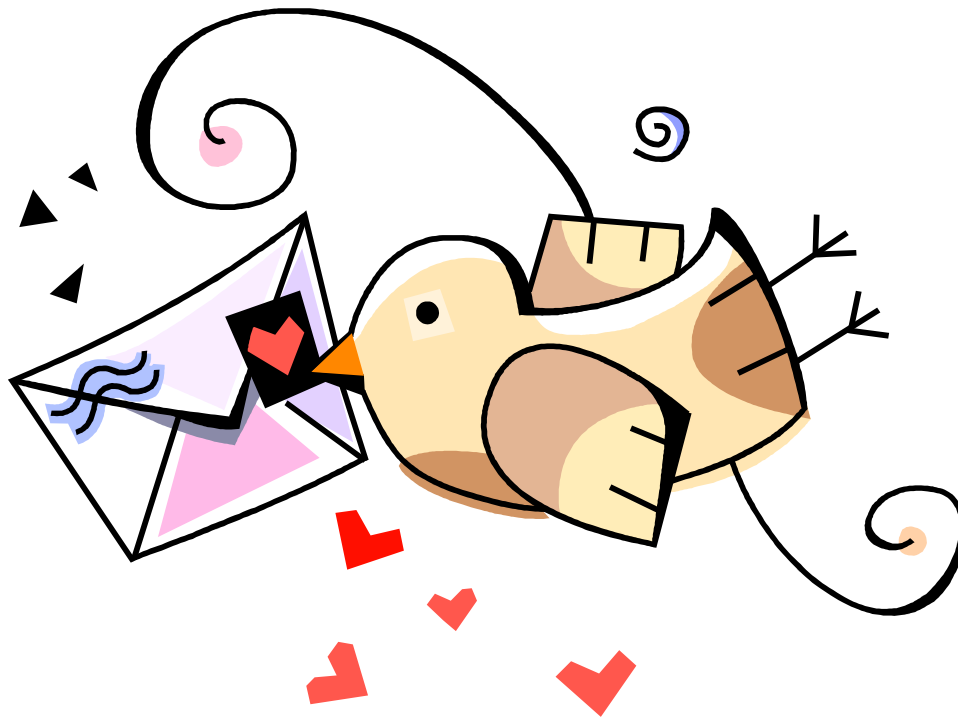
Thank you for your support





<http://www.diverwire.com/index.htm>

**New, Dive News Website,  
check it out!**



Don't miss the  
**Bonaire Slide Presentation**

February 28, 7:30 PM,  
**and find out what really happened in Bonaire.**

**Warning:**  
**This Slide Show is Rated PG 13**



**Can Randy Really Sing?**





Once again CFPD takes on the

# EPCOT DiveQuest

## Experience

Always popular, never boring!

We only have 12 spots available. Reserve yours today!

You know they will fill up fast.

**Sunday, February 10th, 2008**

**Time: 6:00PM - Cost: \$90 (incl. Dive Quest T-Shirt)**

A \$50 deposit holds your spot. Final payment due by January 20th, 2008.

This is one of VERY FEW dives that comes with the GUARANTEE of calm seas, no current and unlimited visibility! And ... you WILL see sharks and turtles!!

Duration of this DiveQuest adventure is approx. 3 hours. You will get a behind-the-scenes glimpse of the aquarium before going on the 40 minute dive.

For more info and/or to reserve your spot(s) contact

Elke Beyer ... .. [ebscuba@cfl.rr.com](mailto:ebscuba@cfl.rr.com)



# **February 28**

# **Digital Imaging**

# **Tips and Tricks**

**Bring Your Digital Camera**  
**Program by our own**  
**Professional Photographer**  
**Art Beaulieu**



# CFPD DIVE AND EVENT CALENDAR 2008

Date	Event	Coordinator/ Assistant	Participants	Price	Event Opens
Feb 10	<b>Epcot Dive Quest</b>	Elke Beyer	10	\$90.00	Open
Feb 21	<b>Board Meeting 7:00 PM</b> Tijuana Flats Burrito Company 160 Tuskawilla Road Winter Springs 407.706.2468	Lee Carpenter	All		Open
Feb 28	<b>General Meeting</b> <b>Digital Imaging &amp;</b> <b>Bonaire Presentation</b>	Lee Carpenter  Art Beaulieu	All	Free	Open
March 8	<b>Sterling Casino</b>	Patti Beaulieu	All	Free	Open
March 13	<b>General Meeting</b> <b>Dive Safety</b>	Lee Carpenter  Art Beaulieu	All	Free	Open
March 16	<b>Wekiva Kayaking</b>	Lani Berry	All	TBA	TBA
March 22-23	<b>Hard Rock Casino &amp; FL</b> <b>Aquarium, 2 Days</b>	Lee Carpenter	All	TBA	TBA
April 5	<b>Mystery Sleuth Dinner Theater</b>	Geri Meehan	All	TBA	TBA
April 10	<b>Trip Planning</b>	Lee Carpenter  TBA	All	TBA	TBA
April 18-19	<b>Fort Lauderdale Ocean Fest</b>	Randy Munro	All	TBA	Open
April 24	<b>General Meeting</b>	Lee Carpenter  Art Beaulieu	All	TBA	Free

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May 11	<b>Shark Tooth Dive Venice Beach, 2 Days</b>	Lee Carpenter	12	TBA	TBA
May 23-26	<b>West Palm, 2 Days</b>	Barbara Bourque	12	TBA	TBA
June 20 Friday	<b>TGIF Jupiter</b>	Eric Davies	12	TBA	TBA
June 21-28	<b>Curacao, 8 Days</b>	Joan Heinman	Open	TBA	TBA
July 3-6	<b>Key Largo FL Keys, 3 Days</b>	Lee Carpenter  Lani Berry	Open	TBA	TBA
Nov 20-30	<b>Bonaire, 11 Days</b>	Lani Berry	TBA	TBA	TBA
Dec 5	<b>Christmas Party</b>	Geri Meehan	All	TBA	TBA

**REMEMBER: *YOU* WILL BE FINANCIALLY RESPONSIBLE FOR YOUR SPOT ON A TRIP WHEN YOU SIGN UP. THERE WILL BE NO REFUND FOR MONIES PAID FOR DIVE TRIPS WITH THE EXCEPTION OF A DEATH IN THE IMMEDIATE FAMILY. YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL COSTS UNLESS YOU FIND A REPLACEMENT. EVEN IF YOU FIND A REPLACEMENT THERE MAY BE OTHER COST INCURRED FOR TRANSFERRING TICKETS OR RESERVATIONS, ETC. YOU ARE STILL RESPONSIBLE FOR THOSE AS WELL. ALL RECOVERABLE MONEY WILL BE REFUNDED SHOULD A PORTION OF A DIVE TRIP BE CANCELLED. IF AN ENTIRE TRIP IS CANCELLED, ALL MONEY WILL BE REFUNDED.**

## Got Any Ideas? Want to run one of these trips? The Dive Committee wants to hear from you.

If anyone is interested in running a trip, please talk with Tony. The above schedule is definitely tentative until proposals are made and approved.

Check the marine forecast at <http://www.nws.noaa.gov/zone/south/mflmz.htm>



# CFPD Marketplace

## Buy, Sell & Trade Your Scuba Gear

FS: For Sale WTB: Wanted to buy

ISO: In Search of

**Wanted: Your ads to sell or buy. Submit them to Lani Berry at Laniberfl@yahoo.com**

### Wet Suits

- 6 mil farmer john-XL-2 piece- large-\$30
- ladies 6mil farmer john-large-2 piece--\$30
- 3 mil shorty--large--\$20
- 1 3/2 large mens--\$20
- 1 med shorty--\$20
- 1 large shorty--\$20
- 3-2 large mens

### Fins

- Scuba Pro jet fin-- xl--\$20
- Atomic Blue Ice-split fin -large--new--\$75

### Regs-

- US Diver 1st stage----- pkg---\$225
  - US Diver 2nd stage - Seaquest Octo console---Genises depth guage ---Genisis pressure guage inflator hose
  - Poseidon 1st stage-----pkg \$425 -Poseidon 2nd stage -Poseidon Octo -Genisis pressure guage Genisis depth - compass holder -inflator hose -din+converter attachment -carry bag
  - Poseidon 1st stage--new pkg--\$300 -Poseidon 2nd stage--new
  - Poseidon 1st stage -----pkg \$ 375 -Poseidon 2nd stage -Poseidon octo inflator hose -din + converter
- all equipment is "as is" Regs should be serviced before use

### Camera Stuff

- NIKONOS V W/35MM 1:2.5 LENS -----\$350
- Like New +Nikonos SB101 strobe + hard carry case
- NIKONOS CLOSE UP OUTFIT-----\$75 + lens -GREAT SHAPE
- HELIX EXTENSION TUBE-----\$10
- yet another - NIKONOS V W/35MM 1:2.5 Lens-----\$450 +Nikonos SB105 strobe -great shape
- NIKONOS 15MM WIDE ANGLE LENS-----\$1200 -not made any more -no scratches -retails NOW for \$1900-\$2000

Anthony Faath-

