



## ADA ANNUAL AWARDS PRESENTATION/BRUNCH

March 25, 2001

### **WHO**

All ADA members, family and guests

### **WHAT**

Awards, Brunch, Social

### **WHEN**

Sunday March 25, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

### **WHERE**

94th Aero Squadron Charlie Room, 1395 N.W. 57 Ave. Miami  
(just off 836, south side of MIA runway)

### **WHY**

See who won the Divers of the Year awards, eat drink and be merry, meet new members, tell tall fish stories, catch up with old buddies.

### **MENU**

Brunch buffet includes:

- omelets, waffles, eggs, bacon, sausages, pate, croissants
- roast beef, and ham, turkey, pork, shrimp, crab claws, poultry
- fresh fruit, cheeses, salads
- cakes, pies, pastries, mousses
- champagne, mimosa, or orange juice
- cappuccino

### **COST**

\$18 for adults, children \$10

Call Pat Hackett at (305) 387-0015 for reservations.

**DEADLINE MARCH 15.**  
(cancellations after March 15  
no refunds)

**NEW MEMBERS WELCOME!!!**  
**JOIN ON THE SPOT!!!**



# CAYMAN BRAC 2001

*JULY 19-23*

DIVE THE WORLD FAMOUS  
Russian Destroyer and  
Bloody Bay Wall!

**5 days and 4 nights-\$945\***

**\*subject to change until ticketed**

( Note: Nondivers \$745 )

## PAYMENTS

Deposit of \$200 due 4 days after reservation.

\$350 due March 1, \$395 due April 1

**CALL LON TODAY!!!**

305-251-4975

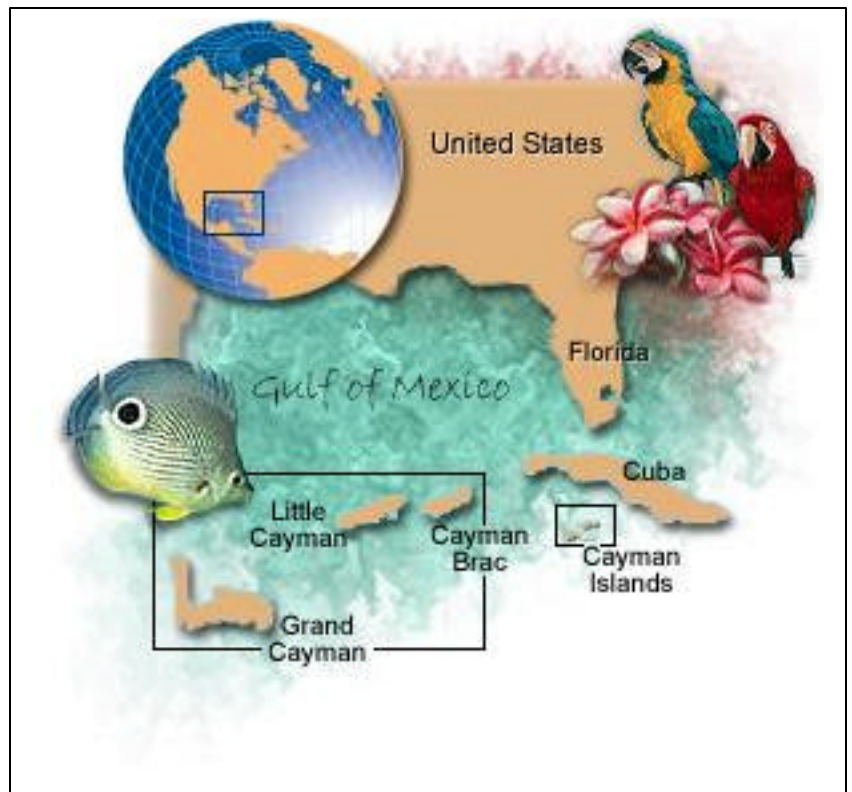
## PACKAGE INCLUDES

- Hotel (double occupancy)
- Round trip air fare
- Breakfast and dinner
- 3 days of 3 tank dives
- Airport transfers (Cayman Brac)

**ONLY SEVEN SPACES LEFT!!**

**MUST SIGN UP BY FEB  
15.....FEBRUARY ONE  
FIVE!!**

(at that time unused spaces will be returned)



**I've been waiting to say this....!!**  
**2001, A DIVE ODDESSY!!**  
PRODUCED BY LON VON LINTEL

A new season is upon us. I know, 'cause I have a stack of renewals about to go out to all of you. Look for them early Feb.'01, and PLEASE return them ASAP, so I can get you your dive schedule and membership card, as well as a membership directory we've put together again. We have an exciting year planned, with a couple of new boats Lon, Enrique, Al and I have scouted out this off-season that we think you'll like!! Some new wrecks and reefs that were great!! Hope to see you out on the boats early and often.

Jim Kiernan, Membership Chairman

*P.S.-we have lotsa applications!!! Let your friends know about us!!*

## **FAST ASCENT RATES CAUSE DECOMPRESSION INJURIES**

Dr. Peter B. Bennett, prominent DAN staff physician, has studied decompression accidents in recent years and concludes, along with the European Underwater and Baromedical Society after their study last year, that fast ascent rates are the primary cause of bubble trouble. His recommendations to us sport divers making deep dives are:

1. Slow your ascent rate to ten (10) feet per minute.
2. Make a deep safety stop for 5 min. at 1/2 your max. depth if your ascent rate is faster than 10 feet per minute.
3. Also make a safety stop of 3-5 min. at 15 ft.
4. Your ascent from 15 ft. to the surface should take 1-2 min., not the usual bolt to the boat. This is the time of maximum bubble expansion.

For complete details see the "Alert Diver" March issue.  
(another good reason to join DAN)

## **FLORIDA SPRINGS TRIP DIVING-CAMPING MANATEE ENCOUNTERS**

*April 4-8*

ADA members journey north to the Gainesville area to make base camp on the banks of the Santa Fe River. From base camp we will dive several of the fresh water springs, canoe, tube, kayak, and snorkel with the endangered Manatee. For some, the tent camping and the open fire cooking are the highlights of the trip. Yet Ginnie Springs Recreational Area has all the facilities for comfortable, yet still wilderness, camping - hot water showers, full dive center, water craft rentals, convenience store, and even cabin rentals. To see more visit [www.ginniesprings.com](http://www.ginniesprings.com). For complete details on our plans call Lon at (305) 251-4975.

# **!!! NEW !!! ADA KAYAK TRIPS**

[www.kayakfloridakeys.com](http://www.kayakfloridakeys.com)

To be held at Florida Bay Outfitters  
in Key Largo, MM 103.  
(305) 451-3018.

### **Half day - Kayak & Snorkel**

Sunday June 3rd. 9:00 a.m.

Garden Cove & North Sound Creek. Meet at Florida Bay Outfitters in Key Largo. Rent or BYK and join us for a paddle to Rattlesnake Key through a mangrove canopy and into the North Sound Creek lagoon. Snorkel and explore the shallow reefs around the key. For more information call Julio 305-551-7545.

### **Full day - Kayak & Snorkel**

Saturday September 8th. 9:00 a.m.

Indian Key State Historic Site.  
(Possible snorkeling at the San Pedro underwater archaeological preserve - depending on seas and weather).

Rent or BYK and join us for a short paddle to Indian Key. Snorkel and explore the shallow reefs around the key. Indian Key history dates from the time of prehistoric Indians to the 1830's, when the key was the seat of the newly created Dade County. Jacob Housman bought the strategic key in 1831 and turned it into a busy port of wrecking. In 1838 Dr. Henry Perrine moved to Indian Key to pursue his interest in tropical botany where he was killed in an Indian attack in the early morning of August 7, 1840. Indian Key has remained uninhabited and Dr. Perrine's plants have grown over the ruins. For more information call Julio 305-551-7545.

Julio Raimundez, *Social Co-Chair*

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**ADA will be offering MORE  
kayaking trips later this year.**



## OFF SEASON DIVING

JIM KIERNAN

As most of the members know, our season as a club ends this year on November 19th.

Many have asked why we don't continue with scheduled club dives into the winter months. The reason is the uncertainty of weather, resulting in many weather-related trip cancellations. This makes it very difficult to administer.

However, during the off-season, Lon and I do dive almost every weekend, weather permitting. Frequently, others have asked us to let them know when we do go, so they can join us.

This off-season, if you wish to be made aware of such dives, let me know. I will keep a list of those wishing to be notified, and will call each week we're going out, early in the week, and give you the opportunity to go with us.

These dives, however, are NOT Club Sponsored, so each person will call the appropriate shop that week to make his or her own reservation. There will be no ADA Safety Officer on duty and ADA assumes no liability or responsibility

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## \$1 MILLION SETTLEMENT IN CORAL REEF GROUNDING CASE (December 11, 2000)

In the largest settlement ever under the Park System Resources Protection Act (PSRPA), Biscayne National Park will receive \$1 million to cover costs associated with the November 1996 grounding of the vessel *M/T Igloo Moon*. The tanker, loaded with a potentially hazardous cargo of a chemical used in processing rubber, injured nearly 500 square meters of reef habitat, including live corals and other organisms.

For more information regarding this incident please visit:  
<http://www.nps.gov/bisc/igloomoon/index.htm>

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## 40% OF FLORIDA REEFS DEAD!

A recent study by scientists concluded that 40% of the corals in the Fl. Keys have died as the result of pollution and other causes. As reported in the Miami Herald, this should be of concern to all scuba divers, especially those of us living in S. Florida. Numerous organizations have been following this development and have mobilized efforts to take action. We support their efforts and urge you to lend a hand. Here are a few of the best I have found:

Caribbean Marine Research Center

[www.cmrc.org](http://www.cmrc.org)

Ocean Watch Foundation

[www.oceanwatch.org](http://www.oceanwatch.org)

REEF

[www.reef.org](http://www.reef.org)

Reef Keeper Inter.

[www.reefkeeper.org](http://www.reefkeeper.org)

Reef Relief

[www.reefrelief.org](http://www.reefrelief.org)

Fl. Keys National Marine Sanctuary

[www.noaa.gov](http://www.noaa.gov)

Reef Check 2000

[www.reefcheck.org](http://www.reefcheck.org)

Check them out on the internet. Happy diving, Lon

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## ADA FAMILY FUN ACTIVITIES

By popular request, ADA will be offering some fun new activities that the whole family can join in on. The following activities are currently scheduled. Look for new ones to be coming soon and give us your input if you'd like to do something that's not listed!

**March 25**

Awards Brunch, Miami

**April 4-8**

Camping, Gainesville

**May 6**

BBQ, Tavernier

**June 2**

BBQ, S. Key Largo

**June 3**

Kayak trip, Garden Cove

**July 22**

BBQ, Biscayne Park

**August 26**

BBQ, Tavernier

**September 8**

Kayak trip, Indian Key

**September 23**

BBQ, Biscayne Park

**October 20**

Picnic, Biscayne Park

**November 11**

Picnic, Biscayne Park

Many others to be announced:

Flea markets, Dinner parties, Your Ideas!

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## HUMPBACK WHALE DIVE!!

March 10-17 2001

The Silver Banks, off the north coast of the Dominican Republic, is the mating and calving ground for the giant humpback whales. This expedition will be aboard the Bottom Time II, a 90 foot floating resort that cruises at high speed and is very stable with air conditioned cabins and full amenities.

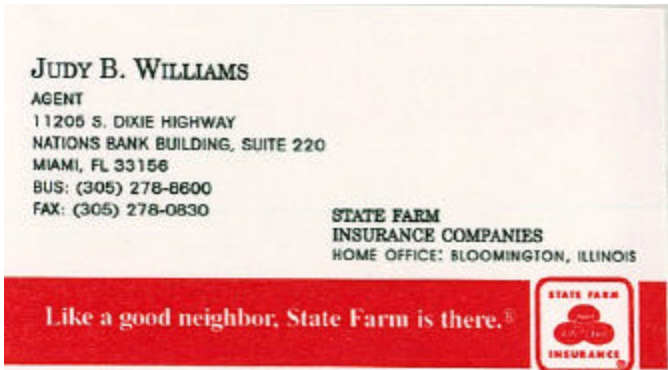
Approx. cost \$2500, includes boat and air fare.  
At press time only 5 spaces are left.

Call Lon for details.

# HOW TO MAKE DIVE RESERVATIONS

- 1) ✓ Check this newsletter or the annual calendar for upcoming dives.
- 2) ☎ Call Lon at (305) 251-4975 to make a reservation. Please do not leave requests on his answering machine, the trip may be full.
- 3) We will hold your reservation for four (4) days from the date you call. If we do not receive payment within four days, your space may be given to other members. If you wish to confirm receipt, call Lon.
- 4) Ask for details about the trip when you call. Otherwise, details will be given when you call for a weather check. (See "Important Weather Information" this and every issue)
- 5) ☒ Make your check payable to ACTIVE DIVERS ASSOCIATION, not to any individual, and mail to:  
*Lon Von Lintel, 15305 SW 104 Ave., Miami, FL 33157*
- 6) Itemize dates of dives on bottom-left corner of check.
- 7) Do not pay for persons other than spouses or other family members. Include their names on check.

**REMEMBER:** That family members must have completed individual documentation to register as ADA members.



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## BUSINESS CARD ADS

**Space Available**

5 Issues ➔ \$50

10 Issues ➔ \$75

**To Place Your AD Please Contact:**

*Chris Wood (305) 754-6882*

# Ads from \$7.50/mth



March B-Days	
Karen Avila	2
Christopher Ward	3
Tom Jockers	13
Scot Johnson	14
Anthony Longo	17
Adrian Field	21
Andrew Ressel	22
Brian Kaufman	24
Michael Giaccheto	26
George Cole	27
Dan Urbanas	28

**BISCAYNE NAT'L PARK - 01-28-01**  
(Left) Terry, (Right) Jim

# RENEWALS-TIME IS RUNNING OUT!!!!

Many of you have already responded with your renewals, but there are still many Members who have not gotten their membership renewals back to me, and the time is fast approaching for the beginning of the new season, as well as the cut-off date for The Mouthpiece. Due to the costs involved, we will discontinue mailings of The Mouthpiece to non-renewed members as of March 24<sup>th</sup>. This will be the final issue of The Mouthpiece until renewals are received. Also, obviously, such members will not be allowed to book any of the exciting dives on our New Year's schedule. So as not to miss any of the dives you want to make, please get your renewals out to me ASAP. We have some new dive operations and sites in store for you this season, and I'm looking forward to seeing all of you on the boats! Please get those renewals out to me today!!!

*Jim Kiernan, your Membership Chairman*

## Inside this month's issue you'll find:

- Cayman Brac - Dive Trip Details
- Springs Dive-Camp Trip
- New Family Fun Activities - Including Kayaking, Picnics, Camping, BBQ's, and more!
- Annual Awards Presentation Brunch - coming in March
- And much more...

### THE Mouthpiece ACTIVE DIVERS ASSOC NEWSLETTER

*March 2001 Issue*

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**THINKING ABOUT MOVING? ☎ DON'T KEEP IT A SECRET!**

Call Jim at Membership (954-752-6234) *It could save your newsletter.*