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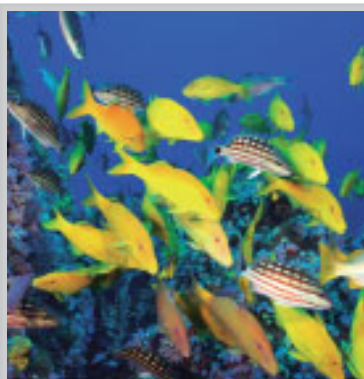
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Sea claims four lives in three days

By Tipwarintron Tanaakarachod
PHUKET: Rough seas and dangerous currents claimed the lives of four people within three days at Phuket beaches last week, with three foreigners among the victims.

In past years Phuket Provincial Administration Organization life guards have been stationed on Phuket's beaches. This year, there have been none.

Yet acting PPAO President Chawalit Na Nakorn told the *Gazette* on June 7 that one company, LP Laikhun Co Ltd, is poised to sign a contract to provide beach guard services "within seven days". The company would be required to provide guards at beaches across Phuket within 15 days of signing the contract.

"The company has received training in Australia so I'm really confident in their abilities," Mr Chawalit said.

Nevertheless, this company's abilities will arrive too late to save the lives of the four people who died on Phuket's beaches last week.

The trouble at Karon Beach started on Tuesday, June 2, when 16-year-old Australian Zeinab Mourad and her mother entered the heavy surf at Karon and were pulled out to sea by a rip current.

Zeinab's father, 58-year-old



The pregnant girlfriend of Briton James Patton on Kata Beach as it became clear that her boyfriend had drowned.

Samir, managed to pull his wife to safety, but got into trouble himself when he went back in after his daughter. Fortunately, workers from the Karon Hazard Prevention Unit and the Phuket Tourist Rescue Center rushed to the scene and were able to save the girl and her father with the aid of a boat.

A 43-year-old Frenchman and his Thai companion who went swimming at the same beach the following Friday were not so lucky. The man and Sirinkorn Hosri, 31, drowned while swimming in heavy surf on the afternoon of June 5.

There were several other

people swimming in the area at the time. Witnesses said the couple got into trouble after being knocked over by a wave more than two meters high. Currents then pulled them further offshore, where they eventually drowned before rescuers could pull them out.

At 4pm the same afternoon, four tourists were rescued at Karon, near the traffic circle, when they got into trouble in two-to three-meter waves. Locals managed to save them, the Phuket Ruamjai Kupai foundation reported.

The following afternoon a group of four young British tour-

ists entered heavy surf at Kata Beach.

Rescue efforts were hindered by the heavy waves and strong current and one of the group drowned.

James Patton of England, 21, was on the last day of his holiday with his pregnant girlfriend when he died.

At about 4pm on Sunday, June 7, a 12-year-old Burmese girl identified only as "Nong Gigi" reportedly drowned at Surin Beach.

A search by rescue workers from the Kusoldharm Foundation and local volunteers failed to recover her body.

After giving up hope that she would ever see her daughter alive again, the girl's mother, identified only as "Mrs Da" lit nine joss sticks and prayed for the waves to return her daughter's body to shore. The body was found floating in the sea two days later.

Karon Mayor Tawee Tongcham commented that drownings at west coast beaches are common during the monsoon season, despite the red flags put up cautioning people not to enter the surf.

In past seasons, members of the PPAO beach guard have been posted at beaches to warn people entering the surf of the

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Hong Kong man ill with swine flu after Phuket vacation

PHUKET CITY: A 33-year-old man from Hong Kong fell ill with human swine influenza following a stay on Phuket, the *Gazette* has learned.

The Hong Kong Department of Health said the man visited Phuket with a friend from June 4 to 8. He reportedly developed a cough on June 7.

The travelers returned to Hong Kong on Dragonair flight KA213 on June 8 at about 10.30pm.

The sick man sat in row 26 of the flight.

On returning to Hong Kong he declared his symptoms on the health declaration form and did not pass temperature screening.

He was taken by ambulance to Princess Margaret Hospital, where he was placed in quarantine.

Dr Phadungkiat Uthoksaynee of the Phuket Public Health office said, "The Bureau of Epidemiology has already examined the information and reaf-

firmed that Thailand is not a source country for the disease.

Most of our cases are imported cases."

On June 10 Dr Phadungkiat said there had been 13 cases of swine flu so far in Thailand.

All became infected abroad except one case where a 19-year-old Thai male caught the disease, in Bangkok, from his mother after she was infected during a stay in the United States, he said.

"In Phuket we haven't had a single case of the disease yet, not even an imported case," Dr Phadungkiat said.

There have been 19 suspected cases on the island, but all have tested negative for swine flu, he added.

"The Bureau of Epidemiology confirms that the Hong Kong man was not infected in Thailand.

"The man could have been infected in Hong Kong or somewhere else before coming to Thailand. He definitely wasn't infected in Phuket," Dr Phadungkiat insisted.

-Dan Waites and Khunakorn Terdkiatkhachorn



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Teenagers confess to granny killing

By Khunakorn Terdkiatkhachorn

PHUKET CITY: At a crime re-enactment held on the morning of June 4 it took nearly 200 policemen to prevent a crowd from lynching two teenagers who have confessed to the stabbing murder of an elderly woman last month.

Police identified the pair as 19-year-old Hussadin "Mai" Wongrinyong, of Phuket City and a 17-year-old male accomplice, whose name was withheld because of his age.

Oranuch Thamrong, 71, was murdered in a street robbery in broad daylight on May 14.

Following two days of surveillance by a team of Phuket City Police investigators, the pair were taken into custody separately at 6am on June 4 during co-ordinated raids on guesthouses in Rassada and Wichit.

Phuket City Police Inspector Wijk "The Magnet" Tarom, who led the investigation, said police planned the arrests to take place at a time when they knew the pair would be sleeping.

Mai and his accomplice confessed to the killing of Mrs Oranuch, saying the accomplice was riding the motorbike while Mai rode pillion and carried out the attack.

When the elderly woman resisted Mai's efforts to snatch her gold necklace, he pushed her motorbike to the ground. He then got off his bike and stabbed her twice before the pair sped off with the necklace, according to the confession.

The pair said they then burned their clothes and went to trade in the necklace at a gold shop at Tesco Lotus for 40,700 baht.

With the money they bought two small gold chains for themselves, then used the rest to buy *ya bah* (methamphetamines), police told a press conference at



At the behest of police and the victim's relatives, the two teenage murder suspects prepare to prostrate themselves in front of the victim's remains.

Phuket City Police Station the day after the arrests.

During the emotionally charged conference, Mrs Oranuch's relatives set up a portrait of the victim behind an urn containing her ashes. The pair, with the minor's face covered in a balaclava, then prostrated themselves before the remains of the victim to ask for forgiveness.

When asked by the relatives why they needed to kill the victim when it would have been easier to just steal the necklace and flee, the pair said they only meant to rob her.

Phuket Provincial Police Commander Pigad Thantipong gave the investigation team a 50,000-baht reward for tracking down the suspects.

After the press conference, the suspects were taken to re-enact the murder on Soi 7 of the Jomthong Thani housing estate, off Kwang Road in Tambon Wichit.

When they arrived, a large crowd had gathered, many shouting "the killers should die". There were also attempts by people –

especially the relatives – to attack the two teens.

These efforts were easily thwarted by the 200-strong detail of officers in place to provide security.

After meeting to discuss the murder and many robberies taking place in Jomthong Thani, residents of the gated community voted to replace the security team and take other measures to improve safety.

Phuket City Police Superintendent Wanchai Ekpornpit promised to have his officers work more closely with local leaders.

Although not part of Phuket City proper, Wichit currently falls under the jurisdiction of the Phuket City Police.

However, Phuket Provincial Police have announced plans to establish a new independent police district for Wichit on land donated by the Hongyok family.

Tambon Karon, currently under the protection of the Chalong Police, is also slated to get its own police department.

Loan shark gang preys on Phuket sea gypsies

RAWAI: Police arrested a gang alleged to be loan sharks when they were attempting to collect money from members of the Rawai sea gypsy community at about 1am on Thursday June 4.

The arrests were made by Chalong Police after they received a report that members of the gang had entered the community to forcibly collect outstanding loans and were possibly armed.

The borrowers, mostly poor fisherman, claimed that it is very difficult to fish at the moment due to rough seas and tried to renegotiate the 20% monthly interest rate.

A number of other residents in the village, many of whom owe money to the same loan sharks, heard the commotion and came outside, surrounding the two men. They in turn called up other members of their gang to join them.

With the tension mounting, someone in the community

called the police.

Officers led by Pol Maj Jaran Bangprisarit rushed to the scene, where they arrested 41-year-old Somsak Jantasorn of Pathum Thani and five other men.

Seized as evidence was a list of 35 borrowers and Bt11,000 in cash.

Phuket Provincial Police Commander Pigad Thantipong said that the six men arrested were not moneylenders, but were employed as collectors for a Bangkok-based loan shark.

The lender sends funds via bank transfer to locals seeking loans and the collectors receive Bt5,000 for retrieving the money. There are hundreds of people in Phuket who borrow money in this manner, he said.

According to Maj Jaran, there are an estimated 40 loan-shark gangs operating in Phuket.

Source: Nationchannel & MCOT

Overseas education expos set for June

PHUKET CITY: Antipodean cousins New Zealand and Australia are set to go head-to-head in pursuit of young minds later this month, with both countries hosting education expos in Phuket.

On June 16, the New Zealand Education Center and the New Zealand Embassy will host the New Zealand Education Fair 2009 at the Phuket ICT Skill Development and Learning Center at Saphan Hin.

Thai nationals interested in studying abroad are invited to come along and see what the home of the All Blacks has to offer.

The event will take place between 2pm and 8pm.

For more information visit www.newzealandeducated.com or call 02-2517290.

Meanwhile, the Australian embassy invites students to attend the Education Australia Expo 2009 on Saturday, June 20.

The event will take place at the Event Hall on the second floor of Central Festival Phuket from noon until 8pm.

Some of Australia's leading educational institutions will be represented. English courses in the land down under will be on offer at prices starting from AU\$160 per week.

For more information contact Central Festival Phuket on 074-459321 or visit: www.thailand.idp.com.

Governor to launch "Project Palmyra"

PHUKET CITY: In an effort to beautify two of the island's main roadways, Phuket Governor Wichai Phraisa-ngop is keen to plant scores of Palmyra palm trees along Thepkrasattri Road and the bypass road.

At a recent meeting at Phuket Provincial Hall, Gov Wichai raised the idea with representatives of agencies slated for involvement in the project; most seemed to agree with the initiative.

Gov Wichai said that existing plants along the median strip of Thepkrasattri Road were

poorly looked after, with many dead or dying from root rot.

Planting Palmyra palms along sections of Thepkrasattri Road and the bypass road would give the island the kind of look it deserves as a world-class tourist destination.

Gov Wichai hopes the trees can be in place in time for the Asean summit meetings scheduled to take place here in October.

Extolling the virtues of the Palmyra, Gov Wichai said it is an indigenous species that is attractive, sturdy and grows easily.

-Khunakorn Terdkiatkhachorn

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Beach drownings

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dangers. However, this year no beach guards have been on duty.

The contract to run the PPAO beach guard program, put in place under former PPAO President Anchalee Vanich Thapabutr, was last year put up for tender under the new administration of Paiboon Upatising, but with much stricter terms of reference.

These included that beach guard workers be properly trained and have certification in life-saving techniques.

No company was able to meet the terms of reference, so the PPAO offered to allow local administration organizations to set up and run their own beach guard programs with PPAO funding if they could find enough certified staff.

It is not known how many local government units have done so, if any.

Nevertheless acting PPAO President Chawalit said he was confident that LP Laikhun would sign a contract to run a Phuket-wide beach guard program within seven days.

Within 15 days of signing, LP Laikhun would need to provide a total of 67 certified beach guards, covering Nai Harn, Kata Noi, Kata, Karon, Patong, Laem

Singh, Kamala, Surin, Bang Tao, Nai Thon, Nai Yang and Mai Khao.

The guards would be on duty between 8am and 7pm every day.

Despite the prospects of a deal, another high-ranking source at the PPAO told the *Gazette* that the presence of beach guards alone could not prevent such drownings.

The source said a major underlying factor was that foreign tourists are unaware of the dangerous currents responsible for the drownings.

Making tourists better aware of the treacherous monsoon season currents is the key to stopping the drownings, he said.

"Tourists, mostly foreigners, see the waves and know they have swum safely in bigger surf back home. They are overconfident and ignore the red warning flags that are flying at all beaches when conditions are dangerous."

The source said unless tourists learned to obey warning systems put in place by local authorities, the drownings would continue. "Even when we have beach guards, there is just too much area to cover for them to get quickly to each person in trouble and in many cases they can't go directly to the people in trouble because of the currents."

Farewell to Steve Swan



PATONG: A cremation ceremony has been held for US serviceman Steve Swan, who survived for three weeks following a motorcycle accident on April 30 but died from complications on May 22.

Steven Paul Swan was a

resident of Hot Springs, Arkansas, USA but had lived in Phuket since 2004.

As owner of the Crow's Nest Bar on Soi Sea Dragon, off Soi Bangla, he was perhaps best known for his many tattoos and outgoing, friendly personality.

Steve is survived by his parents, Lloyd and Sheri Swan of Hot Springs, Arkansas, and his two sisters Staycee J (Swan) Hynes of Illinois and Shannon Swan of Hot Springs, Arkansas.

Close friend and business partner Lee Thayer said, "Steve will be missed by his family, hundreds of friends in the US, hundreds of friends in Thailand and the thousands of US Navy and Marines throughout the world."

Fitness center's abrupt closure leaves customers out of pocket

By Gazette staff

PHUKET CITY: Members of the Easy Fitness Center (EFC) on Chao Fa West Road were left irate on April 30 when repossession teams under police supervision seized fitness equipment valued at several million baht, forcing the center to close.

The center, which opened in 2005, offered aerobics, yoga, martial arts and fitness classes.

EFC membership fees ranged from Bt7,200 for three months to Bt23,976 for two years.

Close to 2,000 members lost their Bt4,000 joining fee following the closure, with one couple losing Bt26,500 after joining EFC shortly before it was shut down.

In an effort to recoup their losses, seven members filed charges against the EFC Managing Directors Yvon Van Eyersen and his wife Siripon Sanpat at Phuket Provincial Police Station on May 30.

Phuket Provincial Police Case Officer Umporn Musikpan told the *Gazette* that a warrant for Mr Van Eyersen was issued over a month ago for a separate incident involving misappropriation of around Bt6mn of customer investments in Mr Van Eyersen's Phuket Patong Asset Company.

"Mr Van Eyersen cannot leave Thailand as his passport has already been seized by Phuket Provincial Court," Capt Umporn added.

Problems at EFC started when Mr Van Eyersen defaulted on payments owed to the Phuket branch of Seara Sports International (SSI), a major supplier of sports and fitness facilities in Southeast Asia.

CJ Prieur, general manager of SSI Phuket and Southern Thailand, said that the company furnished EFC with high-end equipment valued between Bt1mn and Bt10mn when the center opened.

"EFC's managing director purchased a large package of equipment from us, so we arranged a payment plan, but after



Gym machines worth several million baht were removed from Easy Fitness Center by a repossession team last month.

only three months they missed a payment. Then they became scattered and finally stopped" he said.

"We were promised more payments would follow but they never came. We just wanted to be paid. It was a good fitness center but we had no choice other than repossessing the equipment to try and re-sell to another buyer and regain the money owed to us," he added.

Repossession teams under police supervision as well as with SSI lawyers entered the center at 10am on April 30 and immediately began dismantling equipment. Crowds gathered as a crane loaded the equipment onto pickup trucks.

Phuket resident and EFC member for two and a half years Gabi Coffin was in mid-yoga class when repossession teams entered EFC.

"My instructor ended the class and we went out into the gym where about 25 burly men were removing the equipment from the gym," she said.

"One Dutch member was on a running machine while one

of the repossession team waited for her to finish – screwdriver in hand," she added.

Mrs Coffin said EFC members and employees had not been informed or given notification of closure.

"The employees were shocked and our yoga teacher burst into tears as she watched the men take the gym apart," she said.

Mrs Coffin also said that many members had lost out. One German couple had recently joined, paying a membership fee of Bt15,900, only to see EFC close shortly after.

One member said after heading to EFC a few days later, they found a locked, empty gym and a sign on the door with a phone number. Upon calling the number they were told the center was closed due to "financial issues" but would reopen the following week.

The center is still closed and the owners are unreachable.

"The members have been cheated. This is not a good thing for the Phuket community, they deserve justice," Mrs Coffin said.

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Exquisite entertainment from MSU Symphony Orchestra

By Marque A Rome

At first glance, the charity performance at Phuket Rajabhat University by Montana State University Symphony Orchestra Sunday evening looked the event of the season: the campus fairly teemed with people of all ages and vehicles crowded the car parks.

Promotional banners hung from every building. On the faces of many scurrying hither and thither was a keen look of expectation.

And why not? MSU musical director and conductor Shuichi Komiyama has a considerable reputation in this country, being formerly conductor of the Thailand Philharmonic Orchestra and director of Ensembles at prestigious Mahidol University, where he conducted the Wind Symphony and Chamber orchestras. Moreover, only the night before, the MSU Symphony had given a well-received concert at the amphitheater in Rama IX Suan Luang Park. This second performance should have been a not-to-be-missed event.

But it wasn't. The campus in fact was crowded only for

new-student orientation; banners proclaimed anything but the MSU concert; even the guard at the entrance was amiss in thinking the 'concert' a visitor asked after was one by a Thai traditional orchestra in the student cafeteria, scheduled – curiously – to conflict with that by MSU.

Instead of being the center of attraction, MSU's symphony was hidden round the back of the campus in an unkempt, seemingly abandoned facility, flanked by run-down structures and overgrown with mold. A single sign, in English, announced merely "Concert". We were directed up a darkened stairwell, and, at the end of a similarly unilluminated corridor, opened a door to discover the 85-piece orchestra — before a full-house of classical music enthusiasts, many of whom had to stand throughout the 90-minute program, and not a few of whom patiently video-taped the entire concert.

It was worth their effort.

The state of Montana hitherto has been famous for dude ranches, red Indians, mining, agriculture and rearing of livestock. It is a major producer of hay; the state capital, Helena, was formerly known as "Last Chance



The 85-piece orchestra led by Professor Shuichi put on a free concert at Rama IX Park last Saturday.

Gulch"; the state-flower is bitter-root. Cities are few; human population sparse.

But even in a desert blooms the odd flower. Missoula, Montana, where Montana State University was founded, is today something of an artists' enclave. A considerable music scene exists, in which members of the state university orchestra are active both as performers and composers.

Sunday's program showed taste, daring and much originality; worn out 'pops' selections

from the 19th Century were avoided – without veering too far into the wilderness of atonal modernism. Faculty member, composer and clarinetist Gregory Young's Canadian Folk Song, for example, is bouncy, melodic and jazzy, all at once. Nothing about it smacks of the excesses typical of academic composition since Schoenberg and Webern laid out the theory of Tone Rows some 90 years ago.

Also of interest were a clever trio by Vivaldi for Oboe, Bassoon and Flute, and an ethereal, tinkling Marimba Concerto, by minimalist composer Philip Glass, performed solo by faculty-member Stephan Versaavel.

The evening's stand-out performances were undoubtedly Gershwin's *Summertime*, sung by faculty professor of voice, Elizabeth Croy, and *Mars* from "The Planets" by Gustav Holst. Croy's sweetly unaffected soprano rendered Gershwin's famous tune in way rarely heard – with hardly any jazz phrasing; Joseph Staszczuk's introductory alto saxophone solo was, likewise, so free of coloring as to sound more like clarinet than sax.

It was an interesting and

compelling operatic approach to a song now part of every jazz performer's standard repertoire.

On *Mars* (Darth Vader's theme in the "Star Wars" film series) it was conductor Shuichi who gave the most memorable performance: the piece is complex, the harmonies demonic, and the timing sometimes surprising. Execution throughout the piece was brilliant.

Shuichi seemingly has trained his performers to hand, like circus animals, and they pull off the most remarkable ensemble tricks at his immediate bidding.

Professor Shuichi traded time conducting the 50-pieces on stage with concertmaster James Olson, and the sound was perfect, despite the fact that performances were un-miced. Rajabhat's theater, as it happens, is an acoustic gem – easily one of the best sound environments on the island – and should really be employed for such events more often instead of being left to gather mold.

After the concert, the Symphony presented instruments and materials as a donation to Rajabhat.





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One ocean, one climate, one future



In *The Devil's Dictionary*, American journalist Ambrose Bierce defined an ocean as "a body of water occupying about two-thirds of a world made for man – who has no gills." As true today as it was in 1911, when Bierce's compendium of satirical definitions was first published – advances in genetic engineering notwithstanding. But the cumulative effect of a global human population nearing seven billion is putting the oceans, and the fragile ecosystems they support, under threat.

This was the message behind World Oceans Day, which was marked by zoos, aquariums and museums across the world on June 8. The initiative was organized by the Ocean Project, a network of over 830 organizations in 75 countries – the largest network ever formed to focus on the conservation of the oceans. World Oceans Day aimed to educate the world about the oceans, raise awareness of the threats facing them and show people what they can do to protect them.

The theme of this year's day – officially recognized by the United Nations – was "one ocean, one climate, one future". The ocean and climate are inextricably linked – the ocean plays a crucial role in maintaining the Earth's climate and ocean life is vulnerable to climate change. Human activities are increasing the amount of carbon dioxide in the atmosphere. CO₂ is absorbed by the ocean and, as a result, ocean waters are becoming warmer and more acidic, threatening ocean life. The majority of oxygen produced on earth comes

from the seas and oceans. The simple fact is, if the oceans die, we die.

Coral reefs – important food, medicinal, economic, aesthetic and cultural resources – are particularly vulnerable to these changes. Scientists are recording record deaths of coral reefs and are worried about the future survival of these treasured ecosystems.

If trends continue, scientists even predict a mass extinction of corals by mid-century, something that will not only impact upon the environment but cripple the global diving industry.

Other ocean life and ecosystems are also at risk – invasive species and diseases are spreading into new waters, and marine mammals continue to face decreased food supplies as a result of climate change and other factors. Overfishing has caused many of their prey species to be used as food for farmed fish and to make up for the larger species that can no longer be found at seafood counters.

Not only do marine mammals face threats from commercial fishing – such as getting caught and killed in fishing nets and on hooks from long-line fishing – but pollutants leave them less healthy and unable to reproduce at their previous levels. Rising sea temperatures are also forcing them to new locations where they face new predators and the risk that their food source might not be present.

One visual sign that our oceans are in trouble is the explosion of jellyfish that can be found off our coasts. And for those that enjoy the beach, jellyfish can be a nuisance. They are coming to our coastlines earlier in the year and staying longer. This trend is likely due to increases in pollution, climate change, development and



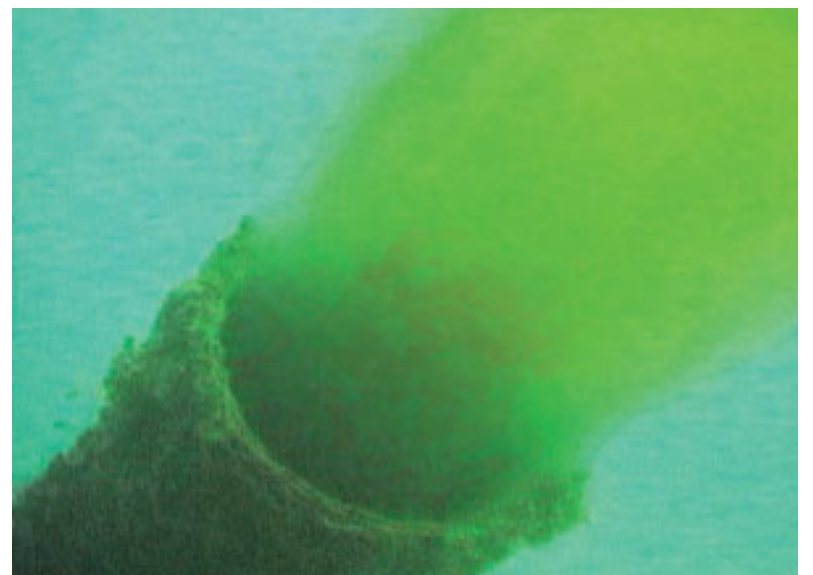
BEAUTY & BEAST UNDER THREAT: Scientists predict that corals might be extinct by mid-century if current trends aren't reversed. **INSET:** Giant moray are among the oceans' animals under threat from overfishing and pollution. Photos by Lia Barrett, Wicked Diving.

overfishing.

This is a problem facing Phuket. The past 12 months saw a surge in numbers of the potentially deadly box jellyfish found in the waters around the island.

With development on Phuket proceeding relatively unchecked and number of tourists arriving each year predicted to almost double in the next decade, pollution can be expected to increase. It can be assumed that jellyfish – the hardiest of all marine mammals – will thrive under such conditions.

Sea levels are rising due to climate change. People's livelihoods in coastal communities are threatened and severe weather events increase in frequency.



TOXIC BEAST: Each day this sewage outfall at Delray Beach in Florida discharges 15-20 million gallons of sewage up-current of a coral reef. Photo by Steve Spring/Marine Photobank

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Apple addicts hope for dramatic drop in iPhone unit prices

BANGKOK: TrueCorp and Apple are meeting to discuss unconfirmed reports that the unit price of iPhone handsets sold in Thailand will be reduced drastically, a TrueCorp source said on July 9.

TrueCorp is the exclusive operator of Apple's iPhone in Thailand.

The iPhone's price in the US has been cut in half to US\$99 (about Bt3,400) ahead of the release of the new model, but it is not yet been revealed whether the cut was initiated by AT&T, the exclusive operator in the US, or by Apple itself.

The result of the talks will be publicly announced soon. The source said iPhone sales have not yet been affected by the reports.

The source said that the new iPhone with 32 gigabyte (GB) capacity will be soon available in Thailand but could not say exactly when or how much it would cost. The 8-GB and 16-GB models currently cost Bt23,000 and Bt28,000 respectively.

When the 32-GB handsets come onto the market here, owners of the 8- and 16-gig models will be able to update programs free of charge at True Shops or through websites, the source said.



PETCHABURI: For the safety of tourists, Kang Krajarn National Park in Petchaburi province was temporarily closed last week after a heavy storm hit the area and caused a rapid rise in water level.

Panda-monium continues

CHIANG MAI: The public is being invited to decide on a name for the first panda born in Thailand, with participants in the upcoming postcard vote standing a chance of winning more than Bt1 million in cash.

"The winner from the lucky draw may get a car too," Zoological Park Organization (ZPO) director Sopon Damnuai revealed on June 1.

Born May 27 at Chiang Mai Zoo, the female cub has become an instant media superstar – and a hit with people all around the country.

So far, this baby has been nameless, but not for much longer.

Mr Sopon said the public will be asked to come up with names. The ZPO board will then choose four of the best, which will be put to a public vote.

"Those who submit one of the chosen names have a chance

of winning Bt100,000 plus a free trip for their family to visit pandas in China," he said.

Giant pandas Chuang Chuang and Linhui have been on loan to Thailand from China since 2003.

Linhui has been nursing her offspring for over a week now. The baby has increased in weight and the skin around its ears and eyes is gradually beginning to blacken.

Under the agreement between the two countries, the baby has to be returned to China within two years.

"We will try to persuade China to let the panda family stay here longer," said Natural Resources and Environment Minister Suwit Khunkitti.

"We hope China will agree to set up a permanent panda research centre in Thailand," Mr Suwit added.

Source: The Nation

Blood on the tracks

RAYONG: Police are investigating whether three men run over by a cargo train in Ban Chang District on June 3 were still alive when the train hit.

Train driver Rewat Pansri said that at about 4:30am, as he was heading to pick up cargo in Map Ta Put, he saw three men who appeared to be asleep on the track. He sounded the horn, but the men did not budge.

Mr Rewat said that he tried to stop the train, but there was not enough time.

Inspector Somphong Sengphenon from Ban Chang Police said the victims were not carrying ID cards and they remain unidentified.

The men might have been migrant workers as one of the men was wearing trousers made in Cambodia, he said.

Bang Chang Police Superintendent Phirom Priyakon said police are also investigating the possibility the men were murdered beforehand and dumped on the track to conceal evidence.

Source: MCOT/Khao Sod

Queer News

Unemployed man thinks prison the breast way out

KHON KAEN: Having failed to get anywhere with begging, an unemployed man was arrested on June 6 for squeezing the breasts of a number of women.

The man claimed the act had nothing to do with sexual appetite but, much like Little Tramp in *Modern Times*, was intended to get him arrested and sent to prison – where he would be fed.

Khon Kaen Police at 11am got a call from shoppers at the aptly named "Fresh Market" in Khon Kaen's Muang District, asking for police to arrest a man they caught sexually assaulting female shoppers.

At the scene, police were met by 43-year-old Noi (not her real name), a teacher at a government school.

Mrs Noi directed the police to 30-year-old Wirat Noitamayae,

whom she claimed had grabbed her breasts.

Mr Wirat told police that he had been a laborer on a construction site, but was laid off the week before.

Since being made redundant the previous week, he had wandered the streets of Khon Kaen looking for work.

His job hunt led nowhere and soon he ran out of money and was sleeping on the street.

He tried to beg for enough food to eat, but very few people gave money.

After a few days of this, he thought to himself that if he had nowhere to sleep and nothing to eat, he'd be better off in prison, he told the arresting officers.

A sure way to get incarcerated – and a free meal ticket – would be to squeeze women's breasts in the market, which is only 200 meters from Muang Khon Kaen Police Station.

Targeting only women aged over 30, Mr Wirat was surprised to find his melon-squeezing session did not result in the immediate success he had envisioned.

The first few victims just called him a pervert and walked off.

When he came to Mrs Noi, he used both hands to grab both of her breasts.

This achieved the hoped-for result, as Mrs Noi shouted for other shoppers to come and grab her attacker.

Shortly thereafter, Mr Wirat found himself in the confines of a jail cell at the police station.

When Investigating Officer Surasee Inunchot charged Mr Wirat with indecent assault, the suspect reportedly replied, "Good, I'll have something to eat."

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MILKY WAY: Students have fun milking a cow as part of the campaign to promote milk at Bangkok's Central World Plaza on June 1, "World Milk Day". Photo by Tatchadon Panyaphanitikul

Suicide in Bangkok mall

BANGKOK: A woman jumped to her death on June 7 at a high-end shopping mall in Bangkok, causing panic among shoppers.

Quoting eyewitnesses, police said the unidentified woman, in her 20s, walked near a balcony on the third floor of the Esplanade shopping complex on Ratchadaphisek Road.

Looking anxious and distressed, she walked about five times in circles before climbing over the handrail and jumping. She did not land on any shoppers on the floor below.

Wearing a black-and-white shirt, a pair of jeans and clutching a designer bag, she died almost immediately after impact.

Police are in the process of identifying her.

Arriving at the scene, Huay Khwang Police complained that the security guards moved the woman's body to a remote area.

The guards said later that they had contacted the police station chief and asked for his permission to move the body away from the scene, which is an area frequented by shoppers.

Source: *The Nation*

Tourists saved after boat sinks in Krabi

KRABI: Twelve foreign tourists and two Thai crew were rescued off Koh Hong in Phang Nga Bay on June 3 after the speedboat they were traveling in broke up in heavy seas.

Somkid Reuathong, captain of the speedboat *Sanpetch*, said the group set out from Ao Nang on a trip to islands in the bay.

As they were approaching Koh Hong, a storm hit and the speedboat broke in two after being battered by heavy waves.

Mr Somkid said that he told the passengers to jump overboard and tread water until rescuers arrived.

The tourists were picked up by another boat dispatched by Srisawat Travel and Tour, owners of the sunken speedboat.

The tourists and crew were in the sea for about 10 minutes before being rescued, Mr Somkid said.

A patrol boat from Krabi Marine Office assisted in the rescue.

Source: *MCOT*

Elephant electrocuted in national park

RAYONG: A 14-year-old female elephant died of electrocution in Rayong's Khao Chamao-Khao Wong National Park on the morning of June 6.

The body of Phang Sidor was found at 5.30am on an exposed electrical cable on a rugged, muddy road 300 metres away from the Khlong Plu forest conservation unit.

Nearby was a toad that had also died from electric shock.

Park director Sermphan Sariman said elephants had been foraging in farms near the forest and that it was suspected the beast had grabbed at some bamboo that was supporting the cable.

After a funeral ritual by nine monks, its body was transported by backhoe to a grave near the scene.

Source: *The Nation*

Elderly speed merchants

AMNAT CHAROEN: The illegal trade in amphetamine tablets in Amnat Charoen is rampant and so lucrative that a couple of grandparents have invested in it and, to avoid arrest or detection by police, use their granddaughter as a drug courier.

The girl often runs the drug in school uniform to minimize attracting police attention, according to provincial officials.

Teachers at her school in Pathum Ratchawongsa were well aware of the practice, but preferred to stay silent for fear of their lives.

Teachers claim that when they brought up the issue of drugs in class, as a way to indirectly warn students about the trade, their cars in the school compound were scratched and their homes became targets for missiles thrown at night, allegedly by the colleagues of the grandparents.

Despite concern for their own lives and welfare, teachers agreed not to complain to police because the girl, an 11-year-old tenth grader, would also face legal action.

She relies on her grandparents while her parents work and live in Bangkok.

Sources say the grandparents make appointments with

agents and have the girl deliver drugs to secret meeting points, mostly in neighbouring Ubon Ratchathani but sometimes right on school grounds.

The girl excuses herself from class if urgent deliveries are needed.

A school executive said other parents have begun to invest in the drug trade after securing a number of clients, including classmates of their own children, a source at the school said.

The girl's older brother, a high school student, had also been made a drug runner by the grandparents. He has been told to seek customers among schoolmates, who have a greater tendency to consume amphetamines than primary school students, a source said.

Sawian Som-in, a member of the provincial chamber of commerce, blamed legal leniency in the criminal law for prompting children to be exploited by such abusive guardians.

Provincial governor Bun-sanong Bunmee said he was working hard to tackle the drug problem and blamed illegal migration and human racketeering as the main reasons behind the rampant abuse of amphetamines and other drugs.

Source: *The Nation*

Infants abandoned outside factory

SONGKHLA: A mother abandoned her three infant children outside a factory in Haad Yai on June 7.

The children, one girl and two boys, are aged between one and three years old, police estimated.

Police found a note purport-

edly from the mother saying that her husband had left her, forcing her to look after the children by herself – a situation she could no longer cope with.

The children will be cared for at a children's home until their identity can be established.

Source: *MCOT*

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Fashion first for Phuket



Fashion fans in Phuket are eagerly anticipating the inaugural Phuket International Fashion Week following the announcement that the event has been scheduled for the end of June.

Advertising agency Phoenix and Matchframe Bangkok have joined forces with the Tourism Authority of Thailand (TAT) to host the first fashion event of its kind in Phuket.

From June 24 to 30 at Jungceylon Shopping Complex, over 140 international models from more than 30 countries will grace Phuket's cat-

walks. They will be donning the latest collections from an international posse of nearly 30 well-known designers.

The event has already attracted several major international brands. "Billabong, Daks, Elle, El Home, Energie, FCUK, Fox, Lacoste, Le Coq Sportif and Miss Sixty are already confirmed," said event spokesperson Stephen Hider.

Thai women's brand Kun-itar will present the Latest Thai-made designs and the Bangkok-based designers will be ably supported by Phu-

ket Mermaid's Managing Director Mark Kingpayom who



SITTING PRETTY : Vice Governor Smith Palawatwichai (center) with event managers from Phoenix Advertsing and Matchframe Bangkok as well as some of the models. Photo by Dan Miles

will showcase his latest swim wear collection at the event.

Highlighting recent political unrest and the postponement of the Asean summit, Mr Hider said that the fashion show would give a much needed boost to tourist confidence in the province.

"We want to make the show an annual event and we feel that this time of the season is ideal time to promote the island as a fashion hub," he said.

"Phuket is a world-class destination. New York, Milan, London and Paris are all fashion cities but Phuket offers a unique island setting and we can promote Phuket through fashion," he added.

Mr Hider said he wanted to appeal to Phuket's numerous resorts and hotels to support Phuket International Fashion Week.

"Beach fashion shows are obviously a possibility, and with the volume of resorts on

Phuket there are so many great settings for future Phuket International Fashion Weeks," he said.

The event will also offer up-and-coming designers the opportunity to showcase their talent.

Over 40 young designers from the Chanapat International School of Design in Bangkok will be presenting their work to the public for the first time.

Live music will play a significant role at Phuket International Fashion Week. Some 27 of Thailand's best known performers, actors and musicians will take to the stage each night to entertain crowds for the Phuket International Music Festival.

Thai superstar Tata Young, who began her career as a singer, Four Mod and local Phuket artist Chin are a just a few of the popular acts named in the all star Thai line up.

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THE NEW INSIGHT HYBRID CAR : Honda claims the Insight only produces 101g/km of carbon dioxide, making it the best performer in its class in terms of emissions.

BEHIND THE WHEEL

By Jeff Heselwood

Hybrid cars are all the rage right now. Toyota is the clear market leader with its ultra-successful Prius, however Honda has just introduced its second-generation Insight hybrid. It is a vast improvement on the original.

The Insight gasoline-electric vehicle was first launched in 1999, but generally it was poorly received. It was small, unsightly and all it had to offer was remarkable fuel economy. The new car, however, looks like more of a conventional sedan and yet still offers all the advantages of a genuine hybrid.

Honda's "green" credentials go way back. In 1956, Soichiro Honda said, "After materials are carried into a factory, nothing but products should be carried out." The result is zero waste at landfill sites at all of Honda's Japanese plants. The

UK plant in southern England aims to achieve this by 2010.

Hybrids have been around since the 1930s in one form or another, but they currently only represent 2.5% of the US market and around 1% globally.

The Insight features an economical 1.3 litre gasoline engine, paired with an electric motor. It is a full five-door hatchback, with plenty of comfort, and is particularly well equipped for such a low-cost model. The combined output of the hybrid system is 101bhp, while the combined torque reaches a substantial 199Nm. Honda claims that the Insight only produces 101g/km of carbon dioxide, making it easily the best performer in its class in terms of emissions.

Honda says the aim was to make gas-electric technology available to more people by developing an affordable family hybrid. The company expects the car to have a significant impact on the industry because it makes clean car technology available to the masses.

When asked if the Insight was designed to rival Toyota's Prius, Honda representatives

said, "Yes, it's natural to compare the two cars as they are both five-door hatchback hybrids. However, they will be positioned very differently in the market because of the difference in price."

Low CO2 emissions were Honda's goal and the company adds that sub-120g/km cars are becoming increasingly popular, particularly in Western Europe. The majority, however, are small diesels, and while their CO2 emissions are lower than conventional gasoline cars, they produce higher levels of nitrous oxides and particulates.

"We are seeing increasingly stringent Euro 5 and 6 regulations and manufacturers are having to fit expensive diesel particulate filters to meet these standards, adding additional cost to the on-the-road price of their cars. Equally, the smaller margin between the price of diesel and gasoline at the pumps means the cost benefits associated with small diesels are ever decreasing," said Honda representatives.

The sales targets are hard to quantify at present, but clearly the United States represents the largest potential market. Despite

this, the styling of the Insight is firmly European.

"American Honda asked us to build a car with a trunk, but we rejected that idea because to compete with other "green" cars and sell more in Europe, it had to be a five-door hatchback and aerodynamically it is also a more favourable shape," said project leader Yasunari Seki

The Insight will be built at Honda's Suzuka factory – close to the Formula One circuit – where a new production line has been added to double the per-hour production capacity.

The new hybrid goes on sale in Western countries immediately, with Asian destinations to follow later this year and in early 2010. Globally the target is 200,000 Insights per year and over the next few years, Honda will launch a sporty hybrid based on the popular CR-Z, a Jazz hybrid and a new Civic Hybrid. With the four hybrids, Honda expects annual sales to top half a million.

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Like the Warrior I pose practiced in the last [Yoga Moments *Phuket Gazette*, May 9], the *Virabhadrasana 2* (Warrior II) series of poses is standard practice in most yoga classes. When you begin yoga exercises, you might find that your thoughts are preoccupied with all that you've done or have yet to do, and your body is not quite as supple as you had anticipated. Fortunately, yoga allows for transition time. Most practices begin with an opening phase of gentle yet thorough movements to awaken the body, stoke the breath, and cultivate the attention.

Good starting poses facilitate circulation and lead you into your sequences with ease. They address the major joints and large muscle groups, gently awakening the arms, shoulders, legs and hips.

Technique

1. Start from Downward-facing Dog [Yoga Moments, *Gazette*, April 11].
2. Inhale and place your right foot close to the palm of your right hand, aligning the knee over the ankle.
3. Exhale and turn your left foot sideways 90 degrees from hip, aligning the heel of your back foot with your front foot. Keep the right hip in line with the right knee by pressing it inward and knee outward.
4. Inhale and raise your left hand overhead, resting it over the left waist line. Lift the torso sideways by placing the right elbow on your right thigh, expanding your chest while constantly pushing the right hip inside. Exhale and look over your left shoulder.
5. Inhale and without changing your lower body position replace your right elbow with your right hand on your knee, pushing the torso slightly back to align head with tail bone. Exhale and look over your right shoulder.
6. Final Position: Inhale and stretch your arms out sideways at shoulder level parallel to the floor, as though two people are pulling you from opposite ends. Now gaze at your right thumb. Stretch the back muscles of the left leg fully. The back of the legs, the dorsal region and the hips should be in one line.
- 7.*a) Stay in the pose for five to seven deep breaths. b) Exhale and place your hands on the floor either side of your right foot and place the foot back into the Downward Dog position. c) Repeat the exercise on your left-hand side.
8. Once complete, drop onto your knees and rest the hips over your heels and your head on the mat in front of your knees. Relax.

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Benefits

This pose both strengthens and shapes the calf muscles, relieving cramp in the calf and thigh muscles. It also brings elasticity to the legs and back muscles and stretches the groin. Finally, it opens the chest, improves balance and tones the abdominal muscles.

Contraindications

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7b.



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*Stay in the pose (6-7a) for 5 to 7 deep breaths. Exhale, place your hands on the floor either side of your right foot and place the foot back into the Downward Dog position (7b). Repeat the whole exercise on your left-hand side (7c).

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From Penang to Phuket: a tale of two islands

LOOKING BACK

By Anand Singh

Phuket Town prospered during the late 19th Century and the once small mining community soon grew into an important center for trade and cultural exchange in the region. Today, many of the town's old buildings constructed by Chinese immigrants and businessmen during that period exhibit a curious style of architecture that appears to be both Chinese and European.

This type of architecture, sometimes referred to as Sino-Portuguese, is a blend of both architectural styles and examples can still be commonly seen in older parts of Phuket Town. Many of these Sino-Portuguese buildings are shophouses that can be found along old roads like Talang and Deebuk, and there are also a number of old yet well-preserved mansions built in this architectural style that still exist in the town. A large percentage of these mansions were once owned by Phuket's upper class, many of whom were businessmen and tin traders of Chinese origin.

More often than not, the

Chinese influence reflected in these buildings is clearly noticeable. The term "Portuguese" is perhaps slightly misleading given that the Western architectural influence is generally European rather than specifically Portuguese. The term possibly caught on because the Portuguese were the first Europeans to have had diplomatic and trading relations in this region. A more accurate reference to the architecture might be Sino-European, although it is also sometimes referred to as Sino-Colonial.

This type of architecture gives Phuket Town a quirky historical personality, different in feel from other towns in Thailand. Phuket Island was never colonized by any European power, but because of its architecture it bears a striking resemblance to another colonial town which lies to the south. It is thought that the Sino-Portuguese architecture in Phuket was in fact a cultural "import" from the colonial town of Penang, Malaysia.

Penang was a British colonial settlement established by Captain Francis Light during the late 18th Century, with the purpose of establishing a trading base for the British East India Company in the Far East. When the British arrived in Malaya, they

brought with them their style of architecture, which was used in constructing official buildings and the residences of British colonials. Like Phuket, Penang also had large tin reserves and in time the island developed a large mining industry. Again like Phuket, the intensive labor needed to operate the mines came from Chinese immigrants who came en masse to Southeast Asia during that period in search of new opportunities overseas. Although most Chinese immigrants were poor miners to begin with, some of them prospered and accrued substantial wealth, elevating their social status.

During the 18th century, many Chinese residents in colonial Malay towns were able to build large mansions. The preferred architectural style was often classical European because of its trendiness. The buildings also reflected the social status of their residents because traditionally, European-style mansions were occupied by British colonial settlers.

However, the Chinese residents chose to hang on to some traditional Chinese building styles for a number of reasons. Most immigrants originated from the Hokkien region of China and their style of architecture would have been more suitable to the local



Sino-Portuguese architecture along Talang Road in Phuket Town.

climate compared to classic European architecture. It may have also been retained for nostalgic reasons as many aspects of the mansions incorporated traditional Chinese designs. As a result, a new unique style of architecture was born: Sino-Portuguese.

In many respects, Penang Island closely resembles Phuket. Geographically, the two islands are roughly the same size and both islands have thrived in the same industries. Towards the end of the 19th century, Penang was a regional hub for tin trading controlled by the British. Although Phuket was a Siamese island, it was closer and more easily accessible from Penang than the capital, Bangkok. As a result, the colonial influence on Phuket Island was quite strong. The short distance between the two towns by sea meant that Phuket had a lot of commercial contact with the colonial island. Boats regularly serviced passengers between the two and in time Phuket replicated some of Penang's cultural aspects, most notably the unique Sino-Portuguese architecture.

The Sino-Portuguese style of architecture was still fashionable during the start of the 20th Century and in Phuket it was the preferred style of rich businessmen and mine owners of Chinese origin.

Because this type of architecture was favored by the upper echelons of society, the buildings were often built using the finest materials, usually imported from England or Italy.

These large mansions built in the Sino-Portuguese style are unique hybrids seldom found elsewhere and one can look at a Sino-

Portuguese mansion and differentiate between the two styles. For example, the building may have wooden windows and doors that could be attributed to Chinese influence, but the pillars and columns would usually be adorned with white floral carvings typical of classical European architecture. Mansions would also often have arched doorways and entrances characteristic of European buildings, with columns usually decorated in either Doric, Corinthian or Ionic styles. Sometimes the family would write their surname in Chinese characters above the front entrance. Such large mansions were usually called *Ang-Mor-Lao* by the local townspeople of Phuket.

Aside from the large mansions in older sections of Phuket Town, rows of shop buildings built in the same style can also be found lining Talang, Deebuk and Krabi Roads.

Although these shophouses are usually not very wide, they are much longer, sometimes extending up to 50 meters inwards. Because the buildings are so long, often openings are built into the mid-section to allow ventilation that is essential in such a hot climate.

It was also common for shophouses to be connected by roofed walkways that shielded pedestrians and shoppers from both sun and rain.

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EXPAT GALLERY

O.B. Wetzell

O.B. Wetzell has supervised the construction of 140 high-end villas on Phuket, each worth more than US\$ 2 million. These signature homes stretch from the iconic Amanpuri to what has become known as Millionaire's Mile, a spectacular stretch of road along the coast of Kamala, with developments such as Jomchang, Laem Son and Waterfall Bay.

But these days, O.B. spends as much time working on various charities around Asia as he does as Managing Director of his company, Development Management Group (DMG).

"Fortunately, through working with many of my clients, I have been able to travel around Asia and contribute my construction knowledge to build schools and community facilities. The Lotus Project in Mongolia is an example. It's there to create a community for the orphaned children around the capital, Ulan Bator, using technology which is sustainable and affordable."

While O.B. has built a school in Nepal and researched technology in places as remote as Ladakh (near Tibet), which boasts a school using passive solar energy, he is also deeply committed to helping small communities in Phuket and the neighboring Andaman region.

He is currently helping to rebuild a retaining wall that collapsed around the Home Life project in Thai Muang, home to 23 children, where the structures were at risk of erosion.

O.B. began his career in construction as a young man.

"I grew up in 18 different homes in 18 years as my father and I were always buying houses, renovating them, and then putting them back on the market."

Eventually O.B. began designing public buildings in his native California, including the upscale Charthouse restaurants with their generous use of natural woods and stained glass. He also spent many years building custom homes around San Francisco Bay, but by the mid-1990s, he was ready for a change.

"I have incurable wanderlust. I'm always interested in what's happening around me and enjoy traveling to remote areas to expand my knowledge of the world. I want my life to have interesting metaphors."

Recently, he took his family to Italy to search for a lost Leonardo Da Vinci painting that has been discovered behind a wall in a museum in Florence. It was a pilgrimage to touch a bit of Renaissance history.

O.B. still maintains his busy work schedule and is working

with the Taj Group of Hotels to build what he thinks will be the next generation of tropical resort architecture.

"I'm working with Lek Bunnag, a Thai architect with lots of talent and imagination. We will build a resort and residential complex on an island off the south coast of Phuket that will become a main destination for the high-end guest who expects the finest in resort living."

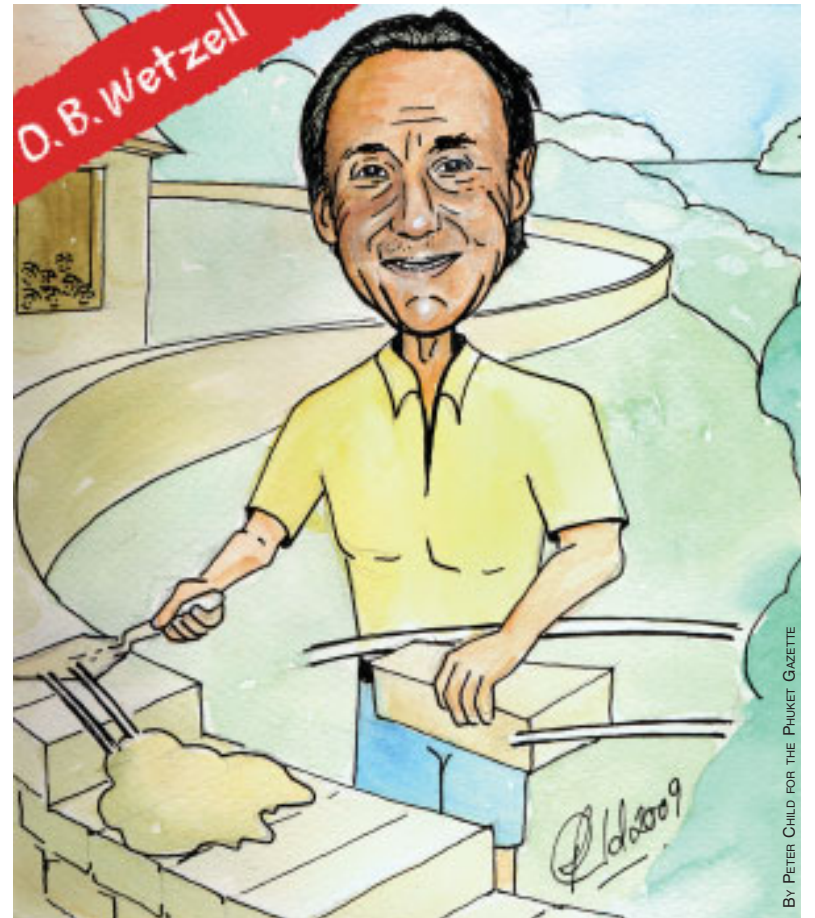
"I'm at a stage in my life where I want to make more of a personal statement with construction. I'm looking at more dramatic design work and building iconic structures than make a recreational and theatrical statement."

O.B.'s family moved to Singapore last year to take advantage of the cultural opportunities on that island.

"Having my family away means I want to focus more on making a contribution to those less fortunate around Phuket. I'm very active with the Rotary Club of Patong. When the American Navy arrives for community relations work, I supervise projects such as the recent painting of a Thalang primary school."

O.B. is very optimistic about Phuket's future as a tourist destination. He shrugs off any thought that the island has had its day.

"Two billion people live within three hours of Phuket. This island offers a greater range of resort experiences than anywhere else in Asia. Of course, Phuket will recover." — Bruce Stanley



By Peter Child for the Phuket Gazette

ABOUT EXPAT GALLERY

The individuals profiled in the *Gazette's* 'Expat Gallery' series have been chosen on the basis of their contributions to Phuket, and, as foreigners, for having made those contributions in successful partnerships with Thais. For many, the contributions have entailed significant investment, often at a time (mid-80s to mid-90s) when the rules of business were, ah, not entirely clear. Some of our subjects are not business people at all, but have added real value to Phuket as English teachers, journalists, artists, engineers, fund raisers, etc. But all have one thing in common: if there were a *Who's Who in Phuket*, they'd be in it.

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MARK OF QUALITY: Watermark hosted a Black and White party to celebrate its relaunch on June 5. To help the night go off with a bang, Timber Hut resident band joined DJ Casalini and DJ Tank to entertain guests.



GOING GREEN: Queen Sirikit Park in Phuket City hosted a two-day "save the earth" event from June 5-6 under the banner, "Your planet needs you! Unite to combat climate change". The event was presided over by Phuket Vice Governor Worapoj Ratthasima and included display booths from the Novotel hotel, the Royal Phuket City Hotel and government schools informing people about the benefits and importance of recycling.



T-BONE WELL DONE: The Phuket Brewery played host to the popular Palmy & T-Bone on Saturday May 30. The successful combo entertained patrons with a blend of Ska and pop music. Pictured from the right Eve "Palmy" Parncharoen and Jetsada "GA-PI" Teeraphinun, lead vocalist from T-Bone.



WELCOME GUEST: The Hilton Phuket Arcadia Resort & Spa Management team welcomed Vice Phuket Governor Worapoj Ratthasima (3rd from left) as guest speaker for the Office of the Civil Service Commission (OCSC) Seminar, held at the resort from June 2-4. Pictured from the left are: Mr Shafar Jamaludin, Director of Sales and Marketing; Mr Promchote Triwej, Director of Sports & Tourism, Phuket Office; V/Gov Worapoj; Ms Usa Tokaew, Guest Services Manager; Mr Michel Scheffers, Food and Beverage Manager and Ms Prangmas Boonsit of the OCSC Human Resources Department.



LIFE IMITATING ART: Miss Elena Volkova and Mr Karim Khamzin from Phuket Photo Projects.com caught on film at the Phuket Has Been Good To Us Foundation photo exhibition on May 28. The photographers contributed work for the charity event. Photo by Dan Miles



MARATHON MAN: 2002 Bangkok Marathon winner Jason Mayeroff gave running tips and advice on how to prepare for long distance events as part of a free Nike running clinic held at Laguna Beach Resort on June 6. Sportswear Giant Nike were on hand to offer people a free trial of their new running shoe.



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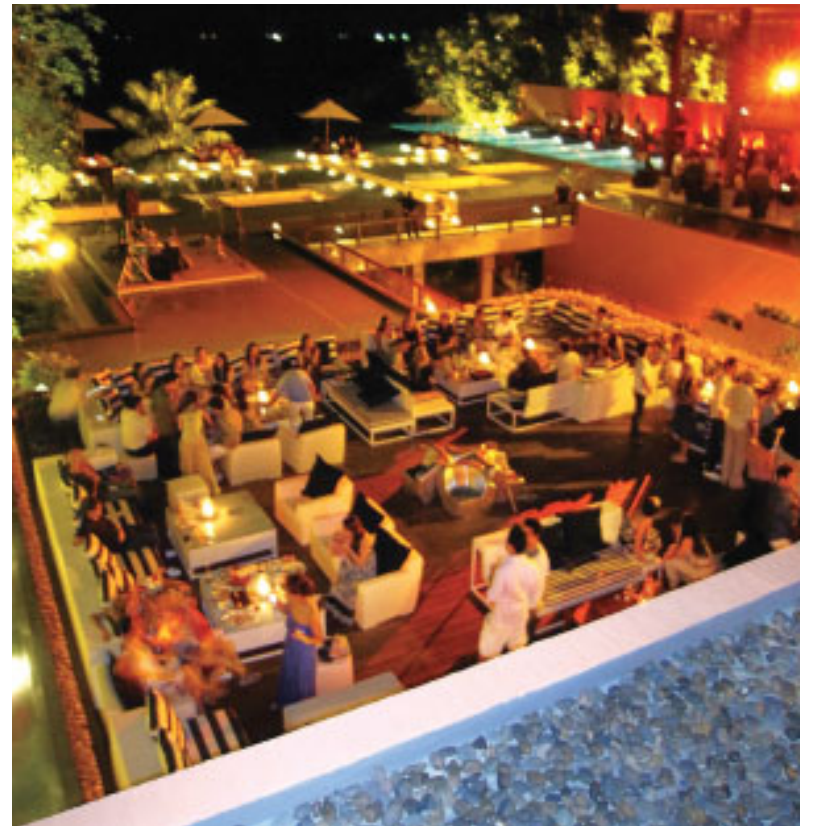
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Chilling out on the cape



A VERY COOL PLACE TO PARTY: The latest addition to the Baba concept is the Baba Poolclub, a vast open-air chill out lounge surrounded by water features, including a 25-meter lap pool and pool bar.



There's a new, cool entertainment venue on the lip of Cape Panwa, where party goers can really chill out in the open air until the early hours. It's the newly-opened Baba Poolclub at the trendy Sri Panwa resort.

The recently completed 5,000 square-meter extension to the resort's outdoor entertainment area is a pool bar with a 25-meter lap pool surrounded by lounge areas and more water features.

Guests soak up the sun and chill in the pools during the day but as darkness falls, the water features light up and transforms the venue giving it a surreal and sophisticated ambiance.

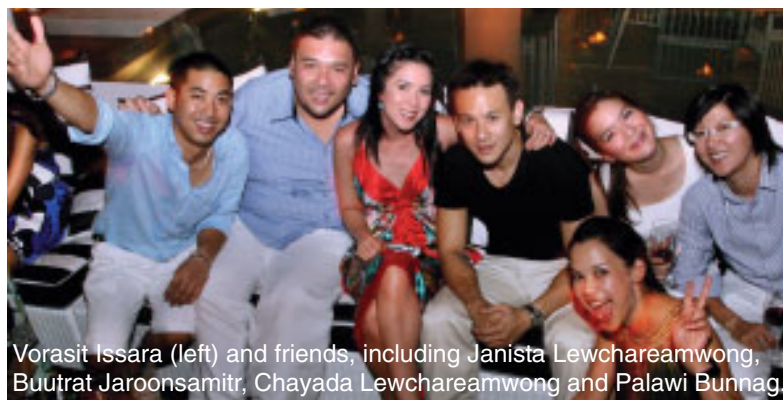
Last month, about 500 hi-so hedonists got their first taste of the latest addition to Sri Panwa's Baba concept during a party at the new poolclub, which includes BabaQ, Sri Panwa's second food and beverage outlet.

BabaQ serves a selection of grilled seafood and meats as well as a special Japanese menu produced with help from renowned Bangkok-based Japanese restaurant Ten-Sui.

Guests indulged in the freshest sashimi and sushi, along with prime cuts of Matsuzaka beef and Japanese king crab imported from Japan.

Cocktail creators FLOW supplied the Pool Bar with innovative fruit-based concoctions while the resident SKA Band and DJs Op, Tommy and Carlos took turns in pumping out the party beats. Of course, no Baba party would be complete without the sensual and sassy vocals of Bonnie Anderson, who sang in symphony with the DJs until the early hours.

Sri Panwa's dining and



Vorasit Issara (left) and friends, including Janista Lewchareamwong, Buutrat Jaroonsamitr, Chayada Lewchareamwong and Palawi Bunnag.

entertainment outlet Baba Lounge is already well-known among Phuket and Bangkok's hip and happening crowd for its monthly parties with guest chefs and international DJs, but more is promised at the 60-villa resort, which has been voted one of

the top five resorts in Thailand and "one of the most seductive hotels in the world".

Coming later this year, when the Baba Poolclub officially opens, Phuket party goers will be introduced to another new Baba venue, the Baba88 disco.



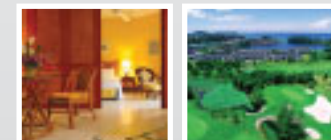
FAMILY FUN: (from left) Pasnee Kornsrutipa, Janice Sa-Nguansat, Sanitpim Ekkachai, Songkran Issara, Onthira Bharksuwana, Chana Sa-Nguansat, Ditawat Issara.

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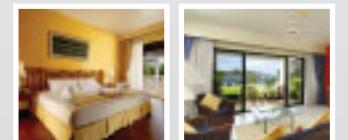
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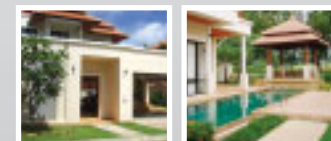
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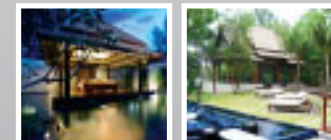
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Salvatore's Spaghetti Western

Unfurl a crusty old map of Sardinia and place it next to one of Phuket. The resemblance is uncanny. Shrink Sardinia by a factor of 10 and it would fit over Phuket like a shadow. These two famous islands, separated by 10,000 kilometers of land and ocean, are almost exactly the same shape. Weird.

The similarities don't end there. Much like Phuket, Sardinia is renowned as Italy's most expensive and exclusive holiday destination. The best beaches at the highest prices. Sound familiar?

Visitors to inland Sardinia, however, are often struck by how much its vast plains and rocky highlands resemble the American Southwest. This similarity wasn't lost on Italian filmmakers of the mid '60s. They filmed tales of gunslingers, desperadoes and the Mexican revolution on the island at a fraction of the budget of Hollywood's pictures, and the Spaghetti Western was born. Critics might have hated them, but audiences lapped up these violent, stylish tales of the Wild West.

Phuket recently saw the birth of a Spaghetti Western of a very different sort when Sardinian chef Salvatore Cossu opened his new restaurant in Phuket's very own Wild West, Patong Beach.

Salvatore is a veteran of the Phuket restaurant business, opening his first on the island in 1990. He owned and ran two res-

taurants in Patong before moving to the quieter environs of Phuket Town. A traditional Italian *trattoria* complete with doric columns and stuccoed walls, Salvatore's has long enjoyed its reputation as Phuket Town's place to go for authentic Italian cooking.

Salvatore's new Patong restaurant is a somewhat different proposition. Where the older restaurant seems at home among the faded Sino-Portuguese shophouses of Phuket Town, the new restaurant is modern and chic, reflecting its brasher setting in Patong.

Primary colors – including, prominently, Ferrari red – and hardwood Italian furniture are the order of the day. Three of the dining room's four walls are made almost entirely of glass. The place feels spacious, far larger than it really is.

Part of the Phuket Palace Hotel complex on Siriraj Road, the restaurant will benefit from the hotel's parking facilities. Less walk-in trade perhaps, but Phuket residents will know they can always find a parking space just outside.

The new restaurant was the brainchild of Salvatore and business partner Giovanni Tebano,

Phuket Palace's general manager. The two cut an interesting pair. Giovanni is a goateed martial arts expert who follows a strict pescetarian diet. Rotund, mustachioed Salvatore, on the other hand, looks every bit the Italian gourmand, a man who knows and loves his food. One thing both men agree on: freshness is key. "There are only two things that matter when it comes to food," Salvatore says. "One, how fresh it is, and two, what you do with it."

The menu at Salvatore's Patong is refreshingly stripped down. It features six hard wheat pasta dishes – including Salvatore's renowned Sardinian speciality, *spaghetti alla bottarga di muggine* (spaghetti with gray mullet eggs) – six fresh pasta dishes, seven meat and five fish dishes, among others.

Yet the compact menu is offset by a highly active specials board. "We wanted to keep the menu simple but have more specials. You never know what you're going to be able to buy fresh. This way, we can ensure that we only serve the freshest food," Giovanni says.

Salvatore still goes to Saphan Hin himself each afternoon to buy the catch of the day. Be it grouper, snapper, monkfish or shrimp, the specials board each day will reflect what he finds there.

The other guiding principle is authenticity. "We're making real Italian food for Italian people. We don't adapt the dishes to suit anyone else's tastes," Giovanni says.

As an opener the *Gazette* has *bruschetta pomodoro e basilico*, delightfully sweet sliced cherry tomatoes with basil – plucked fresh from the Phuket Palace garden – on toasted home



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made bread, drizzled with extra virgin olive oil.

Melanzane alla parmigiana are a wonderful surprise. These squidgy baked layers of eggplant, mozzarella, tomato sauce and basil effortlessly melt in the mouth. Little lumps of pure comfort.

We also enjoy *antipasto all'italiana*, a selection of Italian cold cuts. Slices of *mortadella*, *coppa* (pork shoulder), Parma ham, *salame napolitano* and *salame milanese* nestle with marinated *chiodini* (little nail) mushrooms, spicy bell peppers stuffed with tuna, great *ascolane* olives and sun-dried black olives from Giovanni's mother's garden.

The *Gazette* is feeling a little devil-may-care, ordering as a main *costata di vitello* (rack of veal in white truffle sauce topped with foie gras). Salvatore's Franco-Italian signature is surely one of the most indulgent dishes a man could think to try. The sweetness of the creamy foie gras brings out the sweetness of the succulent meat, while earthy truffle sauce keeps both grounded. The devil has all the best dishes.

We're also served *ravioli ricotta e spinaci al 4 formaggi*, eminently fresh spinach and ricotta ravioli in a dreamy four cheese sauce.



DEVIL'S DINNER: Veal with foie gras in white truffle sauce.

We finish, of course, with a *tiramisu*. By this time we're starting to feel full, but can't help but make room for this delightful dessert – utterly luxurious without being too heavy.

All this is washed down with a fabulous full-bodied red from the Beneventano region. The restaurant has a comprehensive selection of wine in its cellar, which occupies a corner of the dining room and is chilled and double-glazed to ensure it stays at exactly 18 degrees Celcius.

A meal for two, including wine, starts from a very reasonable 2,000 baht.

In one of the toughest low seasons in recent years, restaurants are sure to come and go on the OK Corral of Patong's already competitive culinary landscape. But once the smoke clears, you'd be foolish to bet against Salvatore being one of the men left standing.

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June 12-14. Quiksilver Thailand Surf Series 2009 – Monsoon Riders

The first of three surfing contests organized by the Phuket Board Riders Club and sponsored by surf apparel giants Quiksilver will take place at Kalim Bay on June 12 (7am to 5pm) and June 13 and 14 (9am to 5pm). The Monsoon Riders competition will feature four categories: men's Shortboard, Longboard and Grom and a women's competition. The awards ceremony and closing party is being held at Jungceylon on June 14 from 7pm to 11pm. For more information visit W: www.ThaiSurfSeries.com.

June 14. Laguna Phuket International Marathon

The Laguna Phuket International Marathon presented by Nike is Southeast Asia's leading destination marathon. The "family friendly" event from 5am to noon at Laguna Phuket offers people a chance to compete in a marathon, half marathon, 10.5k run, 5k "community walk" or 2k kids' run. This year's event will raise money for the Baan Klongsai School in Phang Nga province, a rural school in need of financial assistance. Registrations will also be accepted at the two-day marathon expo in the big marquee at the Laguna Beach Resort Y-Junction. Every participant will receive a Nike singlet. For further information contact Mr Roman Floesser. T: 076-236931. W: www.phuketmarathon.com.

June 20. Phuket Academy of Dance

The Phuket Academy of Dance proudly presents the 2009 "Song and Dance Extravaganza". This is a show not to be missed! From 5pm to 8pm at the Mövenpick Hotel, Karon. For further information contact Linda Cumming. T: 081-8937749. E: lecumming@gmail.com. W: www.phuketdance.com.

June 21. FREE Computer Clinic – Chalong

From 10am to noon, at Sandwich Shoppe Chalong. For further information contact Woody Leonhard. T: 076-290468. E: woody@KhunWoody.com. W: www.KhunWoody.com.

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July 7. Asarnha Bucha Day

This full-moon day of the eighth lunar month commemorates the Buddha's first sermon to his first five disciples after attaining Enlightenment more than 2,500 years ago. Evening candlelit processions are staged in all Thai Buddhist temples.

July 8. Buddhist Lent Day (Khao Pansa)

Occurs one day after the full-moon of the eighth lunar month (Asarnha Bucha). Khao Pansa marks the beginning of the annual three-month Rain Retreat during which Buddhist monks customarily stay at a particular temple to study and meditate. The monks are not allowed to stay overnight at any other location during this period. A candle festival is held annually on this day. Sculpted beeswax candles,

generally depicting mythological creatures, are carried in a ceremonial parade in each province before being presented to local temples.

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July 22 – 26. Six Senses Phuket Raceweek

Six Senses Phuket Raceweek is a yachting regatta, staged off Phuket's southwest coast in the windy monsoon season. Offering four days of world-class yacht racing across seven classes, combined with five nights of fantastic five-star beachside parties, Raceweek attracts yachts, skippers, crew and party animals from around the world. Whether you come to race your own yacht, charter a local yacht to race, find a crew place on someone else's yacht or just enjoy the parties, this is one of the most glittering sailing events in Southeast Asia. Check out our website, including the "crew wanted" pages – someone is always short of crew. From 10am to 12pm at Evason Phuket & Six Senses Spa. For further information contact Grenville Forham. T: 076-264491. E: raceweek@image-asia.com. W: www.phuketraceweek.com.

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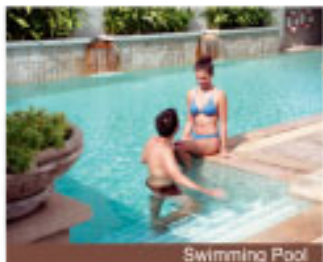
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ON THE MOVE

Ms Kulwadee Sawangsri has been promoted to the position of Executive Director at CB Richard Ellis. Ms Kulwadee is one of Thailand's leading investment brokers, with an unrivaled record of major transactions in key site sales, development and investment properties. From Bangkok, Ms Kulwadee joined CB Richard Ellis from the German-Thai Chamber of Commerce in 1994 and became a manager in 1995. She became Associate Director in 2000 and Director three years later.



Mr Chamlong Kaewphibun has recently been promoted to the position of Front Office Manager at the Allamanda Laguna Phuket. Prior to his promotion, Mr Chamlong had spent the previous two years as the Allamanda Assistant Front Office Manager. A native of Songkhla, Mr Chamlong's duties will include running the front office operation in keeping with the hotel's standards and co-operating with all related departments to ensure the hotel's operations run smoothly.



Mr Paschara Luealamai has been added to the sales and marketing team at Ocean Catering Co Ltd's Watermark Group. In his new role, Mr Paschara will be responsible for the marketing of the company as well as looking for new customers. Originally from Phuket, Mr Paschara graduated from Prince of Songkla University with a major in Chinese studies. Before joining Watermark, Mr Paschara worked for Phuket Image Co Ltd as assistant manager.



The reality of real estate funds



MONEY TALKS

By Richard Watson

Continuing on from the previous *Money Talks* column (*Phuket Gazette*, May 30), funds also have another use: they can take investors into markets that would be practically impossible for them to enter alone, for example Russia or Indian small businesses.

The specialist knowledge required for the above type of investment is enormous – Russia is a prime example. This is not only a new market for investors, it is also new for Russians. The results produce massive swings from enormous growth to equivalent losses. In the last 12 months the Russian market has moved from being over 70% down to becoming one of the best performing markets in the world.

Funds not only allow individual investors to access complicated investment areas with professional management; they also enable people to be able to do so with limited funds at their disposal.

Perhaps the most capital-intensive investments are in the area of real estate. While a fig-

ure of US\$1 million is realistically the minimum amount an individual needs to have a balanced personalized portfolio in the stockmarket, it would not go far in the world of commercial real estate, where even US\$100mn is considered a small sum.

There is a huge variety of types of real estate to invest in, for example private accommodation, shops, offices, shopping centers. Real estate funds by no means need relate to one country; a fund can cover regions such as the Far East or can even be global. Naturally, there are specialist areas of real estate investment and these include university student accommodation and ground rents to name just two.

In recent years, not all funds involved in real estate investment are of the mutual fund/unit trust variety. There have been many real estate investment trusts (REITS) created, which take us back to the original concept of investment trusts first introduced in 1868.

Most REITS have some form of government interest in them, aside from regulatory matters. For example, the current British government has only allowed REITS to be used and be privy to tax advantages providing they distribute a minimum of 85% of their income.

There are many real estate funds available to investors who are domiciled "offshore" and have no tax consequences whatsoever. In this case, the term off-



THE KREMLIN, MOSCOW: In the last 12 months the Russian market has moved from being over 70% down to becoming one of the best performing markets in the world. AFP Photo: Eric Feferberg

shore basically means outside the tax net and could mean that the investor is resident in Thailand or Malaysia for example.

Whether one uses a fund or just buys a second home, real estate investment is somewhat different to other investments. For example, an investor in a money market fund can withdraw cash on a daily basis. Sovereign bonds, unless issued by dubious countries such as Zimbabwe, are also highly liquid, as is the case for corporate bonds, municipal bonds and many more.

Even the stockmarket, especially with mid- and large-caps (market capitalization) companies, is also very liquid. The year 2008 may have been one of the worst years for investment ever, but those investors in funds holding any of the above assets found it easy to sell. The fact that the price may not have been to their liking is an entirely different matter, but they were at least able to receive a "fair market price".

Real estate is a completely different asset class. When the property market crashes, fund managers are unable to sell without effectively giving the assets away at "fire sale prices". They

have to resort to the only option open and that is suspension of trading. This, in some ways, makes real estate the most difficult of all asset classes for any fund manager to manage.

However, down cycles in the economy always pass, well at least they have in the past. The current situation is probably the worst in living memory.

Funds can be used to hold a huge variety of assets. These can include physical commodities such as gold or platinum. In some cases investors do not want anything exotic, they simply want to hold gold. They do not want to have to take delivery as this causes certain problems, for example storage, security and insurance – a fund is much easier.

During the current crisis the word "leverage" is often used. In financial terms this simply means taking on debt in order to make greater gains. Naturally, this assumes that any trade using leverage is profitable. Often it is not and the amount of leverage is simply another liability to be repaid with interest.

There is another type of leverage in the financial world that has nothing to do with debt. This

type of leverage is used everyday with fund investment, where many invest in one fund, giving the manager a substantial cash sum for investment. This allows the fund manager the ability to access investment choices that would simply not be available to an individual.

As an aside, I recently came across a case in Phuket where an elderly resident proudly advised me that he was highly geared in his investment portfolio. Fearing the worst, I asked what he meant by "highly geared". It transpired that he had substantial mortgages on several residential properties with no income flow to repay what he owed.

This is not being highly geared, just deeply in debt.

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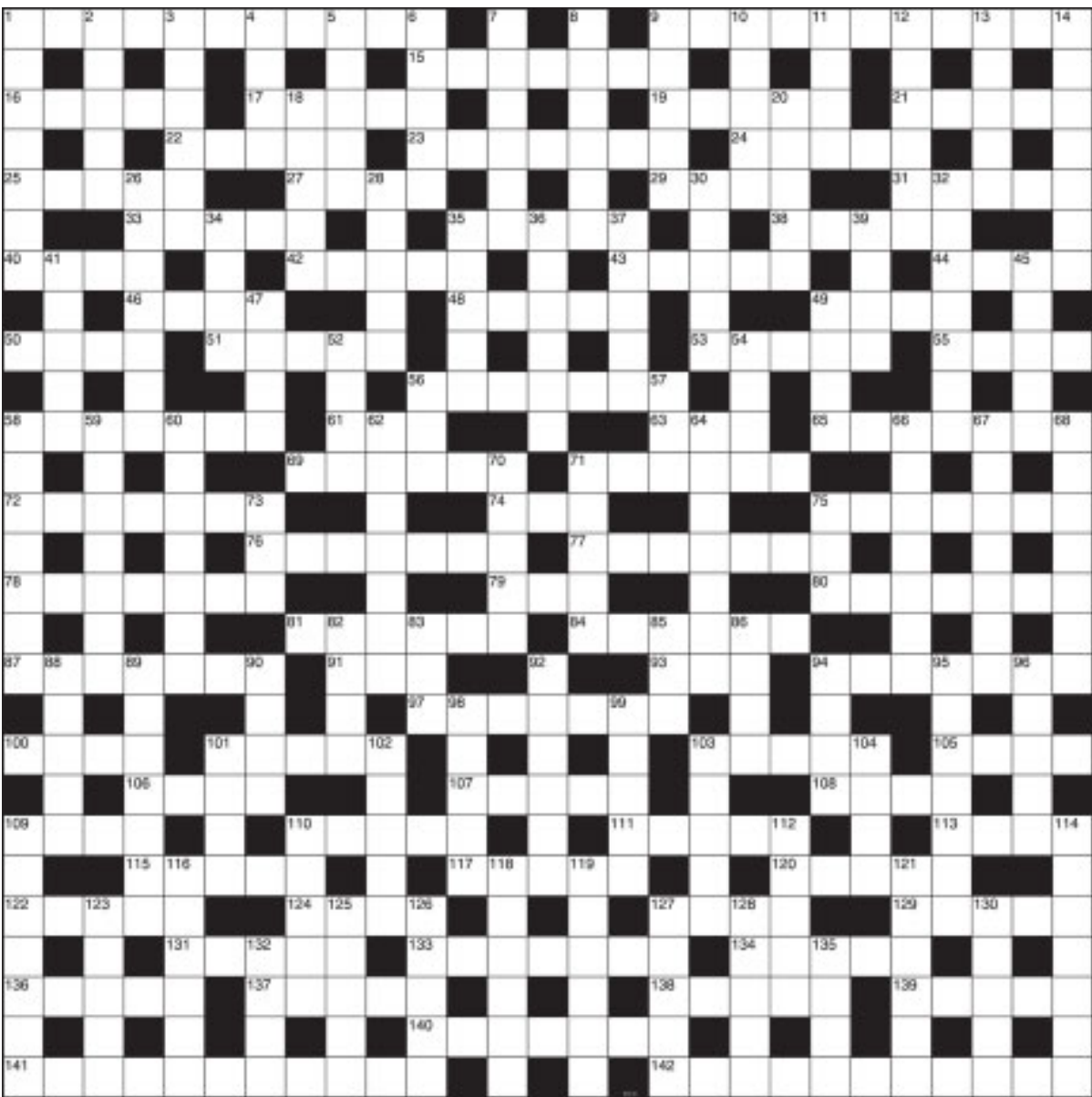
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Hidden Words

Hidden in the grid are the names of movies, past and present. The words may read vertically, horizontally or diagonally. They may also read right-to-left or down-to-up. Score: 15 or more, good; 20 or more, very good; 25 or more, excellent.
Solution on the next page.

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The BIG Crossword

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- Across

1. Not worried

9. Oiling

15. Cigar receptacle

16. Memorise

17. Intestine

19. Timepiece

21. Log vessels

22. Follow on

23. Animal skin material

24. Elton John hit, Sad Songs (...Much)

25. Naval force

27. Black/white mix

29. Behaves

31. For better or...

33. Sprite

35. Pre-Soviet emperors

38. Refreshments booth

40. Declared

42. Jewelled crown

43. Ancient Andes Indians

44. Woe!

46. Summit

48. Jockey

49. Wild party

50. Petrol

51. Is inclined (to)

53. Small fenced-in areas

55. Tennis great,... Lendl

56. Pelting with rocks

58. January celebration

61. Viral disease

63. Rowing blade

65. Caught on barb

69. Away from home, far...

71. Electronic payment for goods

72. Performer
- Down

74. Record label (1,1,1)

75. Manufacturing plant

76. Pickled cucumber

77. African beast

78. Munching

79. Fah,..., lah

80. Exhaustedly

81. Jumble (message)

84. Underground stems

87. Sofas

91. Cereal grass

93. Drink, dry ginger...

94. Staring in astonishment

97. Undertook superficially

100. Copious flow

101. Fake

103. Body fluid lumps

105. Untie

106. Tropical wading bird

107. Confirm,... for

108. Own

109. Approach

110. Welsh dog

111. Praise highly

113. Marsh plant

115. Score

117. In a while

120. Ex-FBI boss, J... Hoover

122. N American deer

124. Irritating complainer

127. Miserly

129. Perishing

131. Last Supper chalice, Holy...

133. Bed dress

134. Coffee/chocolate flavouring

136. Unworldly

137. Range

138. New Zealand native

139. Actor, Clark...
74. Clothes

66. Powerful light (3,4)

67. Worship

68. Emotionally unmoved (3-4)

70. Tightly-packed

71. Octet number

73. Poultry product

75. Hardly any

82. Martial...

83. Bunk

85. Naughty

86. Depend

88. ...cologne (3,2)

89. Casual garments

90. Health resorts

92. Kidnap

94. Garden walkway

95. Royal household officer

96. Actor,... Murphy

98. Smithy block

99. Early anaesthetic

101. Top up

102. Inaccuracy

103. Mania

104. Warbled

109. Theoretical (value)

110. Sceptic

112. Male voice

114. Uni qualifications

116. Greek sea

118. Heart pain

119. Crowd-scene actors

121. Proverbs

123. Poppy drug

125. Solo

126. Bent to pray

127. Reminder notes

128. Love (French)

130. Infuse

132. Serpents

135. Goodbye in Italy

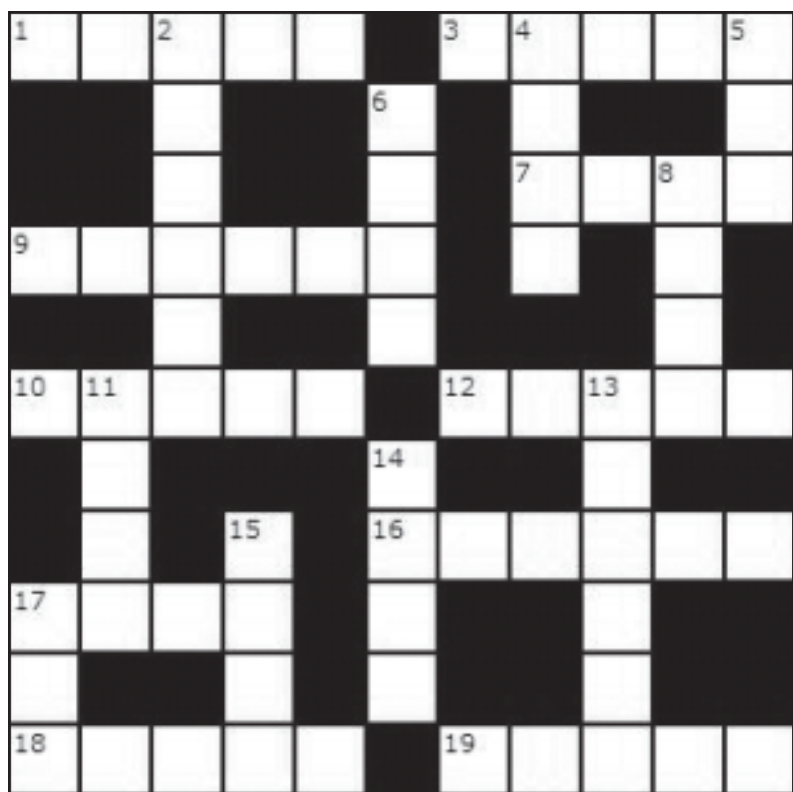
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7	9				5	1	6	
		3				5		
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Sudoku is very simple: each row, each column and each "box" of nine squares within the puzzle must contain all the numbers from 1 to 9 with, naturally, no repetitions. Beware: there is only one solution to this puzzle, which is on the next page.



2. Minor actors
4. On top of a house
5. Knot
6. Arm
8. Heal
11. Make money
13. Money
14. ...tock
15. Give food
17. Child

Solution below

MONSTER QUIZ

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|---|--|---|
| 1. The band Carl and the Passions changed its name to what? | 8. What spirit is mixed with ginger beer in a Moscow mule? | 16. Who starred as the Six Million Dollar Man? |
| 2. How many rings are there on the Olympic flag? | 9. Who was the first man in space? | 17. In the famous song Waltzing Matilda - What is a umbuck? |
| 3. What colour is vermillion a shade of? | 10. What would you do with a yashmak? | 18. Who was Dan Dare's greatest enemy in the <i>Eagle</i> comicbook series? |
| 4. King Zog ruled which country? | 11. Who betrayed Jesus to the Romans? | 19. Who is Dick Grayson better known as? |
| 5. What colour is Spock's blood in <i>Star Trek</i> ? | 12. Which mammal lays eggs? | 20. What was given on the fourth day of Christmas? |
| 6. Where in your body would you find your patella? | 13. On television what was Flipper? | |
| 7. Where can you find London Bridge today? | 14. Who's band was The Quarrymen? | |
| | 15. Which was the most successful Grand National horse? | |
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Answers below



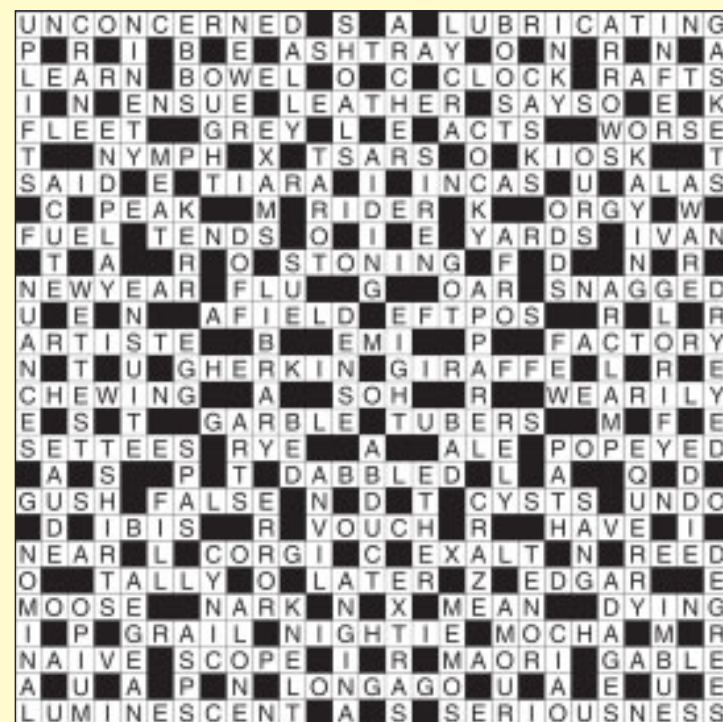
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Solution to this week's Quick Crossword



1. Beach Boys; 2. Five; 3. Red; 4. Albania; 5. Green; 6. Knee (it's the kneecap); 7. USA (Arizona); 8. Vodka; 9. Yuri Gagarin; 10. Wear it - it's an Arab veil; 11. Judas Escariot; 12. Duck billed platypus; 13. Dolphin; 14. John Lenon; 15. Red Rum; 16. Lee Majors; 17. Sheep; 18. Mekon; 19. Robin (Batman and Robin); 20. Calling birds.

[illegible]

Solution to this week's Sudoku puzzle



The last of the Greatest Generation



Off the SHELF

By James Eckardt

I've read a lot of books about World War II because 1) it's a huge, engrossing story and 2) I'm a guy. Robert Kershaw's *Never Surrender* (Hodder & Stoughton, London, 2009, 376pp) is one of the best and, alas, one of the last because his interview subjects – veterans on both sides of the conflict – are rapidly dying out. "Lost Voices of a Generation at War" is an appropriate subtitle.

Kershaw has written five other books about World War II. His methodology goes back to Cornelius Ryan's groundbreaking *The Longest Day* which told the story of D Day through the voices of those who had survived it. But Kershaw delves deeper into the experience of war by meticulously describing what it's like to

be inside a tank in the desert, a bomber in the night sky over Germany, a submarine and a merchant ship in the North Atlantic and the jungles of Burma. He brings out all the sights, sounds, smells and titanic human emotions – mostly terror. Here is one description of the sinking of a torpedoed ship:

"One minute we had been on watch on deck or in the engine room or sleeping snugly in our bunks; the next we were engaged in a frenzied scramble through the dense shrieking blackness which assailed us with squall of freezing spray, and slipped and fell on the wet iron decks which canted faster and faster into the hungry sea with every passing second, hurting ourselves cruelly on things which we could not see during our wild rush towards the lifeboat."

Then there was just the ordinary boredom and hunger, and cold and sleeplessness.

"Edward Butler, serving on a navy escort, remembered living on corn-beer and hard-tack because 'the seas came in and put the galley fires out and you just couldn't cook anything hot'. They were steadily ground down

by fatigue and constant water immersion. Nightmarish winter storms caused ships to gyrate seemingly through three dimensions at once, inducing nausea among even the hardiest.

All sense of orientation and even the ability to reason coherently could be lost amid constant retching, bringing forth little but bile. Keeping clean was also a challenge."

Heat, flies, thirst and a fiery death were the lot of the tank crews in the North African desert. The British tanks were much inferior to the German and vulnerable to .88 flak guns used as anti-tank weapons. During the day they were flung around their cramped

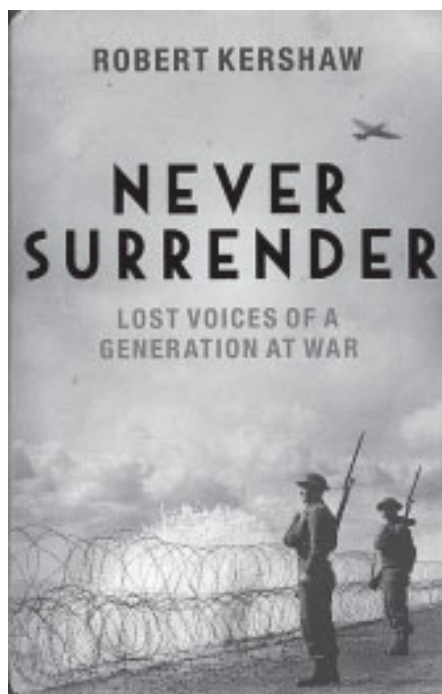
and claustrophobic quarters, with the smell of gas fumes, cordite and sweat, tortured by the prospect of a fiery death at any minute. When on the move,

crews subsisted on three or four hours of sleep per night. Leaders often went for days without sleep.

After five nights of action at El Alamein one officer reported:

"We could walk, and talk and move our tanks but our minds were sluggish – they refused to

work or think things out', a condition exacerbated even further by the emotional rigors of combat. Somehow they had to retain alertness in order to rapidly plan moves, which meant at best a



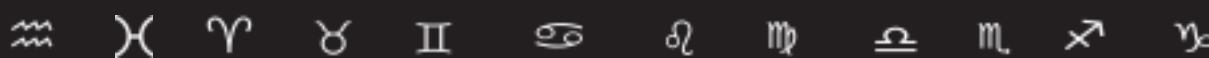
meal shortly after dusk and perhaps another at dawn."

The crews in tanks, ships and planes and the infantrymen who stormed ashore on Normandy in the last chapter of the book shared a combination of stoicism, cynicism, fatalism and resolution despite the many disasters inflicted on them.

"This generation is primarily revered because of the unique blend of community spirit and shared compassion it exhibited during the years it stood 'alone' during the years after Dunkirk, an emotional state colloquially referred to as the Blitz spirit. Ironically nobody felt alone. The shock of the fall of France and the close call for the BEF at Dunkirk encouraged total strangers to pause and converse in the street. The instinctive need to derive emotional strength from shared compassion bonded this generation like no other."

Kershaw's focus is on the British experience of the war but the same could be said for the American. They came to be known as the "Greatest Generation". Their reward was to spawn us, the baby boomers, the "Generation from Hell".

Horoscopes



Isla Star

GEMINI (May 22-June 21): This week, another air sign finally shows their appreciation for your support during their troubled time. This is the ideal moment for Geminis to point out that they cannot always be on hand to help. As the second half of June gets under way, you will need to focus all your energy on business matters. Those celebrating a birthday this week will take romance more seriously in the coming year.

CANCER (June 22-July 23): A trip that was delayed earlier this month can now be arranged. Cancerians looking for love are forecast to meet someone away from home, but this could cause confusion. Those in a relationship may have to convince their partner that a move is the only way to improve their quality of life. Money matters are best handled with kid gloves – an earth sign tries to encourage you to spend more than you can afford this weekend.

LEO (July 24-August 22): Your ability to get out of a tight spot is put to the test early next week when Sagittarius poses a loaded question. Those born under the sign of Leo who give in to pressure to divulge a secret will have cause for regret. Family life is well highlighted during the second half of June, with a surprise visit forecast. The number seven can bring some good fortune next Thursday.

VIRGO (August 23-September 23): While it might seem that a modest financial bonus is just a drop in the ocean, Virgoans are advised to see this as a sign that their situation is improving. Your security should gradually get stronger during the second half of June and a job offer later in the week could be the icing on the cake. Romance remains tricky and a parting of ways is indicated to come as a relief.

LIBRA (September 24-October 23): Your reluctance to become part of a scheme suggested by Scorpio this week may be justified, but this idea is worth second thoughts. An impartial earth sign could offer an interesting point of view. Those who are frustrated by a partner's lack of motivation should distance themselves from the situation. Your stress levels benefit from quality time spent in quiet contemplation. Wearing the color lotus pink encourages a calmer mood.

SCORPIO (October 24-November 22): The first part of this week could feel like wading through mud for many Scorpions. People will not react as positively as you hope, but this atmosphere should begin to clear after Wednesday. Cultivating patience is the only sensible approach. Your efforts to be more frugal during recent weeks finally bring results, but could be spoiled when a partner or close friend tries to encourage a spending spree this weekend.

SAGITTARIUS (November 23-December 21): Success at work puts Sagittarians in the spotlight this week and a personal relationship starts to look more promising as your confidence increases. Those already committed may find that they are unable to devote as much time to family demands as others would like. An honest discussion this Sunday should help to clear the air, but employing extra help at home could be the only way to take pressure off.

CAPRICORN (December 22-January 20): Following your heart might seem like taking too much of a risk for Capricorns at the moment, but the stars suggest that experience is on your side. Listening to others' advice is probably going to waste valuable time and giving a worn out relationship another chance is not recommended. Money matters are well highlighted during the second half of June – the offer of additional work begins to look more attractive.

AQUARIUS (January 21-February 19): Many of those born under the sign of Aquarius will be relieved to see the light at the end of the tunnel this week. An ongoing business project that has been affected by disagreements is about to be settled and your luck in affairs of the heart is also due to improve. Those who are single will appreciate an Arian's efforts to make a romantic connection. The number nine can

bring some good fortune on Monday.

PISCES (February 20-March 20): The last two weeks of June will bring satisfaction for Pisceans who have worked hard since the start of the month. You are forecast to be suitably rewarded and this could come in the form of a promotion. Those who are independently employed will be approached by an earth sign interested in teaming up, but check this person's credentials thoroughly before committing. Tuesday is the best day for a romantic date.

ARIES (March 21-April 20): A meeting with an air sign makes your heart beat faster this weekend. Arians looking for love may be able to stop their search after this encounter, while those in a

relationship are amazed to learn something about their partner's past. The atmosphere at work becomes heated when someone's dishonesty is uncovered – becoming involved in this situation is not recommended as your words could backfire. A money issue requires urgent attention on Monday.

TAURUS (April 21-May 21): The last part of June offers Taureans opportunities to learn new skills that you would never have dreamed possible. However, the unexpected arrival of visitors could mean that you are stretched for spare time. Disappointment in romance is soon forgotten when Libra catches your eye. Those already committed may learn that their partner has a secret admirer. Wear the color fire engine red to spark energy.



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A welcome goodwill act

Phuket's tourism industry is currently mired in the low season doldrums and there has been little to report in recent weeks to buoy enthusiasm. There has been plenty of talk recently of abysmal occupancy rates, imminent staff layoffs and factors conspiring to keep tourists away – from swine flu to the recent spate of drownings.

Given the malaise, the recent concerts by the Montana State University (MSU) Symphony Orchestra could not have come at a better time. [See page 4]

To this editorial writer's knowledge, the concerts were the first performed by a full symphony orchestra on the island since the Bangkok Symphony Orchestra (BSO) were seated on plastic chairs and crammed on a stage on Patong's Soi Bangla in January, 2005 – less than a month after the tsunami.

Unfortunately for music lovers, that event was marred by the fact that numerous "entertainment complexes" in the area refused to lower the sonic boom of their sound systems so that the acoustic orchestra could be heard, let alone appreciated. Not surprisingly, the BSO hasn't performed on the island since.

The MSU orchestra's visit to Phuket came as part of a "goodwill tour" organized by the Phuket Provincial Administration Organization and Rajabhat Phuket University, both of which are to be commended for bringing them here.

That said, more advance notice could have helped bring in greater numbers, especially to the first show, which was held on a beautiful moonlit night at Suan Luang Park. Fortunately, there was full co-operation from the weather gods on the night.

The contrast between the amphitheater at Suan Luang Park and Soi Bangla as a concert venue couldn't be more stark. The *Gazette* would like to suggest that the Phuket Provincial Administration Organization continue this culture drive and organize a "concerts in the park" series there.

This would be a good way of attracting tourists and promoting the arts among our young people, far too many of whom grow up here viewing performing arts as nothing but an extension of the tourism industry.

Under such influence, it comes as little surprise that so many of them waste so much valuable time manipulating joysticks rather than trying to master something more difficult but also more rewarding – a musical instrument.

As an act of goodwill, the visit by a symphony orchestra from a state so far removed geographically and culturally from Phuket was a major success. At the risk of presumptuousness, the *Gazette* would like to thank the MSU orchestra on behalf of all the Phuket residents who attended the concerts.

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Letters

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your views for publication in our next issue. We reserve the right to edit all letters. Pseudonyms are acceptable only if your full name and address are supplied.

More than red flags

With reference to the story "Frenchman and Thai drown in Phuket" [*Gazette* Online, June 6], I think a lot of people don't understand what the red flags mean. Most of the tourists who visit here do not know the potential dangers of swimming off Phuket's beaches in the monsoon season.

Commonsense should prevail some would say, but perhaps there could also be signs in multiple languages. Sure, it wouldn't stop everyone from entering the water, but if Phuket wants to be seen as a progressive and international tourist spot, then the beaches need to at least meet international safety standards.

Multi-lingual signs and trained lifeguards with proper equipment would be a start and would undoubtedly save lives.

Scubabuddha

Thai Visa / Gazette
Phuket Forum

Boxing clever

I just read the article online about the boxing pricing [*Gazette* online, June 8] and want to congratulate you on your efforts.

I've been living here in Phuket for almost six years and the *Gazette* content in the past has been a disgrace.

The main point of focus of editorials was on people that have died in road accidents or murders.

While these articles are tragic and newsworthy, they do nothing for the benefit of Phuket or the expats and residents here.

It is clear that you or those responsible there have now taken a stance and will fight for the issues that are on

everyone's lips here.

Please keep it up. Maybe you can do something about the disgraceful Heroines' Monument roundabout and the almost daily traffic accidents and congestion there. Thank you.

Ian Lento
Phuket

Community spirit

I went on your website and saw that on June 3 you aired what looked to me like the entire interview that Dana Walsh gave Stephen Fein.

That, and the story you ran in the June 6-12 edition of the *Gazette*, puts you way ahead of the *San Francisco Chronicle* in covering the campaigns against Nancy Pelosi!

I'm impressed with the accuracy and integrity of your journalism, and I can see from some of the other stories you run – namely the one about loan sharks hurting the people of Phuket [*Gazette* Online, June 6] – that you are really contributing to the community.

May we ask you for a copy of Dana's interview, so that we can keep it long after you drop it from your website?

Donald M. Campbell
San Francisco

Eye witness

I would like to clarify a couple of things regarding two letters that were published in the *Gazette* about Annice "the Bar-mat Bandit" Smoel.

The first letter was from Ken Sowton (*Phuket Gazette Letters*, May 23) and the second from "retired old fogie" (*Phuket Gazette Letters*, May

30) who spouts forth, but lacks the guts to put his name to the letter.

Both of you "gentlemen" were obviously nowhere near the Aussie Bar when the trouble with Mrs Smoel began.

I was there, so here is the truth. One of the bar staff witnessed the "lady" in question rolling up the bar mat and watched her put it into her bag.

This is not an easy feat given that this mat is rubber backed, three to five millimeters thick, not to mention almost 150 centimeters long and 50cm wide (five foot by 1.5 foot for "old fogies" benefit).

It certainly wasn't a coaster or disposable mat as you know-it-alls commented.

A policeman who was in the bar already was informed and when "the young lady" (a 36-year-old with 4 kids...) attempted to leave the bar, the police stopped her to check her bag.

She then became very abusive, fled the scene and ran down to the beach.

I am not sure what happened after this as I was not there, but by all accounts she continued to abuse the police.

All you two-faced, outspoken "expats" who, like the senile old fogie, have said, "I will not go back to Aussie Bar" are doing the rest of us a favor. Steve et al at the Aussie Bar have gone out of their way on many occasions to help people.

This is what actually happened so feel free to comment, but this time boys, get your facts right first. From an annoyed Kiwi. *Kia ora* (Be well).

Mark Allen
Phuket

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Sleeping safe and sound at night



FIRST PERSON

After a 25-year career spent teaching people to jump out of perfectly serviceable planes from anywhere between 350 and 37,500 feet in the sky, Barrie Buck retired as a member of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II's armed forces. He came to Thailand with approximately 6,000 jumps under his belt. Soon bored of retired life, Barrie took on some close protection work across Southeast Asia before establishing a security company, Siam Guardian Services, here in Phuket. A real believer in the Thai way of life, Barrie spoke to the *Gazette* about the lack of thought that goes into security on the island.

How many times have we heard, "Nothing can happen here, this is beautiful Bali. We are safe here in Mumbai, this is the gateway to India. I can leave my property open at night, this is Thailand," and how many times do people need a warning before they do something about it?

The environment here in Thailand makes people feel free; they like the idyllic surroundings and the feeling of going native with their open and airy property. Nobody is saying, "Live in Fort Knox, wrap yourself up in cotton wool and stay in," but mention anything regarding securing any part of their lives and you are met by a questioning face and a negative attitude.

Security must begin at home. It's about taking temptation away: most thefts are by opportunists.

As a race, human beings are inquisitive; we see an open door or window and we want to look inside.

Take the opportunity out of the equation and you remove the fuel from the fire.

We must not delude ourselves. The amount of petty

crime in Phuket will increase as a result of the state of the local and global economy.

The high season was cut short, leaving many people who survive on five months' takings trying to make ends meet with just three. Numerous building developments have ground to a halt leaving many without work. I am not saying that everyone by nature is a thief, but if we offer easy pickings then some people will sadly succumb.

What then are people's expectations of security guards in Phuket – our visible first line of defense?

I think most people's opinions must be pretty low. Some people call the guard "yaam", describing the security guard as an old man that is good for nothing except hitting a piece of metal on the hour every hour to relay the time.

Imagine what is going through a guard's mind, knowing that this is what people think of him. Is it any wonder that some think, "Why should I bother? I get paid for doing nothing." If you improve a person's self-esteem, they will want to do a good job for you.

When I asked people for

their opinion of security here in the Kingdom, they laughed and said, "Instead of bringing a torch, pen, notebook and foul weather clothes – tools of the security trade – they bring a pillow and blanket." People expect them to be sleeping and this goes with the territory.

The question, "Why do we have security?" was posed to the same people. "To stop people breaking in," was the reply.

Are we not all missing the point here? Security is not all about keeping bad people out, it's about keeping the people or location safe.

Therefore, it doesn't just mean control of entry, it also includes fire concerns, evacuation drills, emergency procedures; the list is endless.

I know that I am not alone in knowing that being a confident *farang* is enough to get me into any place on the island. I also know that if a guard did see me, not one of the following questions would come my way: "Hello sir can I help you?" "Who have you come to see?" "Are you looking for anyone or anywhere in particular?" "Do you need directions?"

These are leading ques-

tions allowing the guard to gain information. These are the basics of security and guarding, so why then do we not get these questions? Simple, it's due to the lack of training and poor language skills.

Who bears the cost of this irresponsible and unhealthy behavior when we have our possessions stolen and our sanctity violated? You and I of course.

How can we possibly believe that our homes are secure and our loved ones safe if this remains our attitude and nothing is done about changing the way we look at security?

People should expect an alert, highly motivated, well informed, professional guard because that's what they are paying for. Sadly these standards are rarely met.

Traditionally the security industry attracts poorly qualified and despondent individuals, gives them inadequate initial training and then offers them no further training, aims, ambitions and fails to motivate them. Simply, guards are seen as an easy-to-manage, low-cost security solution.

What can you do to get things done properly? Firstly, don't accept it, question it. But

don't just question the guard, have a look at the environment in which he works. Guards sleep because it's a hot country, they're bored and inadequately trained. They are told not to move from a location and no one checks on their work or welfare.

The guards haven't failed, the existing system that is in place has. These are great people. They are kind, willing and they are strong. The responsibility lies with us to train the guards better.

The cost of continually training and retraining the guards isn't a heavy burden to bear. A trained security team forms part of the fabric of the security of your home and a skilled, highly alert and informed member of your community.

My aim is not to frighten, but to raise awareness as to what is really going on out there. Please take a little extra care and check that the people who are being paid to look after you and your interests are indeed looking after them.

If you do have any security concerns then please visit us at www.sgsphuket.com or call us on 076-336086 for free and impartial advice.

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Parental duty

Regarding the question, "Are Thais marrying foreigners abroad required to register upon return?" [*Phuket Gazette I&A*, Apr 7], the response given was, "It is perfectly legal for a Thai citizen to get married to a non-Thai national abroad and upon returning to the Kingdom to continue living in Thailand without officially registering his or her marriage."

However, should any problems arise she would not be covered by any marital laws that apply within Thailand, but she would be subject to the laws of the country where the marriage was registered."

If the Thai citizen is subject to the laws of the country where she was married, would a Thai court rule in favor of one of its citizens paying child support to her

two children that she abandoned overseas in order to return to Thailand?

Francois Gaffory
Phuket

Miss Kaywalee Thongpoi, lawyer, replies:

The Kingdom of Thailand can not force her to pay child support to someone in a foreign country, we could only do that if she got married in Thailand. However, I do believe she should be aware that mothers have a social obligation to raise their children.

For more information contact: Phuket Provincial Court, 25 Damrong Road, T. Taladyai, A. Muang, Phuket 83000. T: 076-211160, 076-210204, 076-210269. F: 076-225426, 076-220515. E: phkc@coj.go.th

Cutting down trees on government land

There are two big trees overhanging my home and I would like to have them either cut down or the branches trimmed. However, the trees are on government land, not on my property. Several branches have already fallen off in strong winds and damaged my garden and I have the problem of getting rid of the rubbish too. Who can I contact to have this problem fixed?

Nigel
Chalong

Miss Srisuda Tahan, Administrator at the Chalong Tambon Administration Organization replies:

If the trees are located on government-owned land such as

a public road, you must go to the Chalong Tambon Administration Organization (Chalong TAO) and submit a letter of complaint detailing the problem you have.

The officer who receives your complaint will pass your letter onto the director of the Chalong TAO to get any actions approved – this should take about a day.

Once approved, the TAO will send along members of staff to deal with the problem, cutting down or trimming the trees in your case.

For more information please contact: Chalong Tambon Administration Organization, 38 Moo 4, Tambon Chalong, Muang Phuket 83130. T: 076-282255, 076-383775-7. F: 076-282255. E: info@phuketchalong.go.th

Lizards to face ICC in 2009 cricket final



COVER DRIVE: Action from the latest encounter between the Lizards and the Island Cricket Club.

The league section of the Island Furniture Cricket League reached its conclusion last weekend with a dress rehearsal for the competition's grand final.

Both the Island Cricket Club and the Liquid Lounge Lizards went into the final match of the season knowing they were already guaranteed a spot in the season decider on June 14, but also aware that a win would provide either side with the psychological edge over their opponents ahead of the crunch tie.

The June 14 encounter will be a repeat of the 2008 final and the Island Cricket Club, whose victory last Sunday over the Lizards made it eight league victories out of eight, are heavily favored to retain their trophy.

Despite having lost their last three matches to the Island Cricket Club, the Lizards will be hoping they can cause an upset in the final.

The final at Cherng Talay School will get underway at 9am and a carnival atmosphere is ex-

pected. Organizers from the Phuket Cricket Union have laid on a DJ, food and refreshments, as well as a bouncy castle for the children.

The game is expected to finish at around 3pm and the party will continue until 5pm, at which point the festivities will move to a local restaurant for the prize giving.

There are five teams in the Island Furniture Cricket League and over the course of the season the teams all play each other twice. After the eight league matches, Ismail Bhatti of the ICC was the leading wicket taker, while Vickram Singh of the Phuket Cricket Army had accumulated the most runs.

Phuket Cricket Union Chairman Bill Brown hopes that the final between should be a great event for all concerned.

"Mark Ashman, chairman of our Club Affairs Sub-committee, has pulled out all the stops and it should be a great occasion. I just hope that the weather is kind to us," he said.

-James Goyder

Youth Football Home dominates Singapore under-13s tournament

Phuket's Youth Football Home (YFH) has been hitting the road of late and taking on some of the best young footballers South-east Asia has to offer.

The home for impoverished children who show exceptional footballing ability recently sent two teams to Malaysia and two teams to Singapore to participate in football tournaments, returning with one trophy and two runners up medals.

The trip to Singapore was made possible thanks to the co-operation of the Singapore Cricket Club, whose players and their families provided accommodation for all the boys.

The Singapore Cricket Club football team travel to Phuket annually to play a match in memory of the YFH's founder, Henrik Lorenz.

The YFH entered two under-13s teams into the Singapore tournament and after a succession of good performances, coupled with penalty shoot out victories in the semi finals, saw both teams secure their places in the final.

Team B went on to lift the trophy thanks to a 3-2 win over team A in the final, while Suthee Wanthor was awarded the golden boot as his six goals saw him finish as the tournament's top scorer.

Two YFH teams also entered a tournament in Shah Alam near Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

Sadly, the under-11s team failed to make it out of the group stages after losing two games and drawing one.

The under-14s side had



The YFH entered two under 13 teams into the Singapore tournament and eventually met in the final. Team B won the match 3-2.

more success, defeating Putra Club of Singapore on penalties in the semi finals to set up a final with KL Youth Soccer.

Unfortunately for the YFH side, the hosts proved to be too strong, securing a 2-1 victory to take the title.

Hannu Tuukkanen, Sport Manager at the YFH, believes that the YFH boys will take a lot of positives from their trips abroad.

"We took 16 boys to Singapore. We chose 12 boys because of their footballing ability and four because for their efforts at school. Boys who couldn't go to Singapore went to Shah Alam, so everyone got a chance to see life and football out of their country," he said.

"Playing football abroad is very important because the games are physically very hard. In Thailand the playing culture is different and you don't get the same intensity of tackling that you

do against foreign teams," he added.

Hannu believes that sending players overseas is essential for the development of football in Thailand.

"This country already has fast and skillful players, but I don't see any future for the Thai national team until players start to play abroad – and I don't just mean in Vietnam or Singapore. It's a long process but players need to start swapping *somtam* for pasta and learning how to take care of their bodies. We have already sent some boys to Europe and I hope one day they will be able to play for the national team," he said.

Hannu is hoping the Youth Football Home will host its own international tournament. The weekend of November 21-22 has been provisionally set aside for the inaugural Youth Football Home Cup.

-James Goyder

Phuket Filipino community unites through sport

The Pinoy Sports Fest 2009 drew to a close on Sunday June 7 as the medals were decided on a day of exciting finals. The event, held at the QSI school for the past

four Sundays, saw Filipino participants compete in basketball, volleyball, badminton, table tennis and chess tournaments.

The Pinoy Sports Fest 2009 sought to promote unity between Phuket's 850-strong Filipino community and provide a platform for integration with the Thai community on Phuket.

More than 100 men and women took part in the games in both team and individual competition over the four weeks. The men's basketball – the Philippines' national sport and the most fiercely contested event at the games – and women's volleyball were both won by the blue teams after some tough encounters along the way.

May Ann topped the women's badminton division with

Kokong winning the men's and Angie scooping first place in the kids' division.

In the table tennis, Tonette defeated all comers in the women's section, with Boy doing likewise in the men's.

The Pinoy Games was originally the brainchild of the church group, the Peacemakers. In its fledgling days, the games

used to consist of only basketball and badminton. Over the years the event has grown to include chess, table tennis and volleyball. This year there were more than 130 partici-

pants, with the same number turning out in support of the competitors each week.

"The games are all about fun and forming good relationships within the community.



Basketball – a highly popular sport in the Philippines – was the most fiercely contested event.

Basketball in particular is the most famous sport in the Philippines and is popular with Filipino people," said organizer Glenn Ferrer.

The most globally recognized Filipino figure is boxing's pound-for-pound king Manny Pacquiao who spectacularly floored England's Ricky Hatton in May. According to Glenn, "We

love boxing. I don't know if we have any boxers here but everybody likes to watch boxing. Whenever Manny fights Filipino people will drop everything to watch."

An awards ceremony will be held on June 14 – Philippine Independence Day – when the winners and runners-up will receive prizes. **-James Goyder**

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Phuket's *Thor* thunders to debut victory at 2009 Samui regatta

The Sawadee.com Regatta 2009 Samui provided sailing enthusiasts with an intriguing and exciting preview of some of the key battles that lie in wait at this year's King's Cup Regatta.

In the Racing Class, old adversaries Ray Roberts on *Quantum Racing* and Neil Pryde on board *Hi-Fi* resumed their titanic struggle for supremacy in Thai waters, locking horns once again. In the 2008 King's Cup regatta the pair finished first and second, with the honors going to Roberts and *Quantum Racing*.

After losing the first race to Roberts, Pryde and *Hi-Fi* bounced back in style winning the next five races to guarantee top spot, leaving *Quantum Racing* trailing in second. Pryde's victory also saw him crowned 2008-09 Asian Yachting Champion Skipper, while *Hi-Fi* was awarded Yacht of the Year much to the delight of Pryde and his crew.

There was a strong Phuket presence in the multihull category with Peter Dyer's Firefly *SEA Property* making the early running. Dyer was unable to carry his momentum through and he was eventually overtaken by another Phuket-based boat, Fergus



CHAMPION YACHT: Neil Pryde's *Hi-Fi* won the racing class and the boat was also named 'Yacht of the Year'.

Wilmer and Henry Kayes's *Thor*. It was the first outing for the Seacart 30, but as the regatta progressed *Thor* went from strength to strength to take the title.

Eventually *SEA Property* slipped to third place behind another 2008 King's Cup winner, Radip Kanjanavanit on *Cedar Swan*.

A jubilant Henry Kaye said that *Thor* had only arrived in Asia on May 15.

"This is her first regatta. We

had only sailed *Thor* for a total of six hours prior to this regatta. We were eagerly anticipating racing her and we have not been disappointed."

Elsewhere in the IRC class Jeff Davison successfully defended his title on *Panic*, Marcel Liedts's Beneteau 50 *Blauwvoet* won the Premier Cruising Class and Andrew Short won the Bareboat Charter Class for the seventh consecutive year on *Constanza*.

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PROPERTY WATCH

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Recently, as the rains hit Phuket, the notion of “green thinking” seems to be gathering momentum. For the first time in many years the island is starting to wake up to the larger world’s environmental issues. “Summer in Phuket” – led by hotels around the island – has set up a framework, while a mass beach and public area cleaning day saw participation from businesses, schools and locals alike. Granted these are baby steps, but they’ve certainly got a fair few people off their chairs. Rather than merely commenting on problems, they are taking concrete steps to improve the community.

There is an interesting story from a Caribbean island concerning a resort located in a small bay. A new manager started work there. Each day he saw the staff go down to the beach to collect and remove barrel after barrel of

trash. After a few weeks he took a walk to the next bay along and was amazed to see local garbage trucks emptying trash directly onto the beach. Eventually at high tide the trash ended up washing into the ocean and yes, you guessed it, washing up on the resort’s beach. When the staff of the hotel were asked how long they had been cleaning their own beach the response was “longer then they could remember”.

Here in Phuket, while many basic or cosmetic fixes are being looked at, it’s important to view things holistically and take cause and effect into account. Trying to clean the island’s beaches every day would take more manpower than is humanly possible. What’s more important is to look at who is dumping garbage, why they are dumping it and how things can be addressed at the root of the problem. Phuket is afflicted by an epidemic of littering and garbage and exactly what can be done to make things better is the million baht question.

Municipalities for the most part are responsible for garbage collection and disposal. They often have limited budgets, lack manpower and recruit private individuals or companies to take away trash.

Garbage disposal becomes big business for entrepreneurs who have little interest in protecting the environment and operate free from regulation. Starting a dialogue with these municipalities and looking at providing more public trash receptacles, recycling centers and designated garbage dumps for both locals and businesses would help.

Getting more garbage trucks and infrastructure to handle the growing population must be a priority.

Taking on littering is another



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problem. Again it’s about getting into the community, the schools and the markets, where there is little awareness of the impact of throwing trash everywhere.

If you look at a company such as Apple, which only has about 10% of the PC market in the world, and view how they plan for the future, you see that they are working in schools, donating on a large scale and are being rewarded with much more significant market share in the student segment.

In the next decade these youngsters will enter the work stream and retain loyalty to the Apple brand. Bluntly put, the lessons of today will impact upon the future in ways not imagined.

Environmental hospitality pioneer Lyndall de Marco of the International Tourism Partnership (ITP) has been actively promoting the new third edition of the

green bible for hospitality, “Environmental Management of Hotels”. Key sections of the manual focus on areas including water conservation, waste management, environmental health and energy management. There are also case studies. The ITP organization was founded by the Prince of Wales in 1992 to spread environmental awareness in the travel and tourism industries. A comprehensive website and resource is available at www.internationaltourismpartnership.com.

Instilling what need to be universal values in foreign residents and Thais alike is just the tip of the iceberg. What is needed is a long-term and sustainable approach to not only keep Phuket clean but to tackle the growing problems of water pollution and scarcity, waste and the degradation of natural environments. Success in these areas will keep tour-

ism alive and thriving here for a lifetime. While it’s easy to be cynical and dismiss government participation, it’s critical to engage in a meaningful dialogue with the private sector, particularly hotel and property developers, in order to see any real improvement. Getting the message to students as young as possible and getting buy-in from the large non-Thai workforce (Burmese) also needs to be worked towards.

Perhaps the current economic slowdown does have a flip side. It’s forcing businesses to look at themselves in the mirror and examine their own values and sense of responsibility for Phuket – not only today, but going forward. There has never been a better time to get involved. What’s most encouraging is seeing people making the island a little better, one day at a time.

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Construction Vs sale and purchase agreements

When considering investing in a villa project in Thailand, certain legal documents need to be prepared and acquired by both buyer and seller that details the buyers' rights to the plot of land being purchased as well as the rights to the villa that will be built upon said land.

Usually both buyer and seller enter into a land lease, giving the buyer a lease right to the chosen plot for a period of 30 years with the option to renew every 30 years. As far as the villa itself is concerned, there are two options widely used – a construction agreement or a villa sale and purchase agreement.

Under a construction agreement, the buyer must contract the developer's construction company to build the villa as agreed under the construction agreement. Under a villa sale and purchase agreement, however, the buyer will purchase a villa that has already been completed or will be constructed by a third party builder to be sub-contracted by the seller.

Either document has its advantages for both buyer and seller, although a villa sale and purchase agreement would be preferable to the buyer when it comes to the question of who actually owns the completed building.

Buyers may be especially

concerned about receiving proper documentation that provides evidence of their legal entitlement to their building. This can be achieved by registering the transfer of the villa into the buyers name at the relevant land department. When using a villa sale and purchase agreement, this typically happens upon full payment of the purchase price.

Having chosen to execute a construction agreement, the seller may not be prepared or feel obliged to register the villa into its buyer's name. The seller might argue that the buyer already owns the building by law referring to the Thai Civil and Commercial Code, that states that all construction materials delivered to the site pass into the possession of the buyer automatically.

The required construction permits are generally applied for and issued in the name of the contractor and it is often the case that no attention is paid to the consequences this may cause. Therefore, and irrespective of the legal documentation executed between buyer and seller, in the event of a future resale, the original buyer may face serious problems to prove ownership rights to the villa.

As a result, problems will almost certainly arise when applying for a title transfer to the subsequent buyer if the villa was



DREAM PURCHASE: the execution of a villa sale and purchase agreement is better for the buyer.

not registered correctly with the relevant land department at the time of the initial purchase and if the construction permit was applied for under the contractors' name. This complication results from the authorities' practise of considering the construction permit as the prevailing document when determining the owner of a building.

Developers may prefer to use a construction agreement due to tax reasons. A villa transfer with the land department as made under a villa sale and purchase agreement triggers certain taxes and fees to be paid upon registration of transfer.

At least a certain proportion of those taxes and fees are usually to be paid by the seller. Under a construction agreement, however, the contractor is required to pay 7% VAT on the construction price, but will usually add this amount to the construction price charged to the buyer.

To summarize, the execution of sale and purchase agreement is preferable from a buyer's perspective as it provides documentation that gives evidence of their legal entitlement to their building. However, a construction agreement containing a provision

giving the buyer the right to demand registration of title transfer into his name upon completion should a construction permit not be issued under the buyers' name seems to be an acceptable alternative.

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Construction Update

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Shopping to become easier with new nautical footbridge



LEFT: Construction work underway between Home Works and Central Festival. ABOVE: An artist's impression of the elevated walkway.

WICHIT: Construction of a much-anticipated footbridge that will straddle the bypass road and link Home Works Phuket and Central Festival Phuket began last month and is scheduled to take 120 days to complete.

By the end of August, shop-

pers and pedestrians will be able to cross the dual carriageway on the covered walkway, either by using steps leading up to the bridge from the footpaths on either side of the road, or directly from upper-floor entrances in Central Festival and Home

Works shopping centers.

Three construction firms have been contracted to develop the walkway, which has been designed with a nautical theme, and will greatly improve convenience and safety for shoppers and pedestrians.

Currently customers must leave their vehicles at one car park and then subsequently drive around to use the other, or run the risk of crossing the traffic-laden bypass road on foot.

Once construction of the bridge is complete, it will be

handed over to local government who will be charged with its upkeep and maintenance, said Home Works general manager Nugsai Samathi.

"We will also have a grand opening party for the new walkway," he added.

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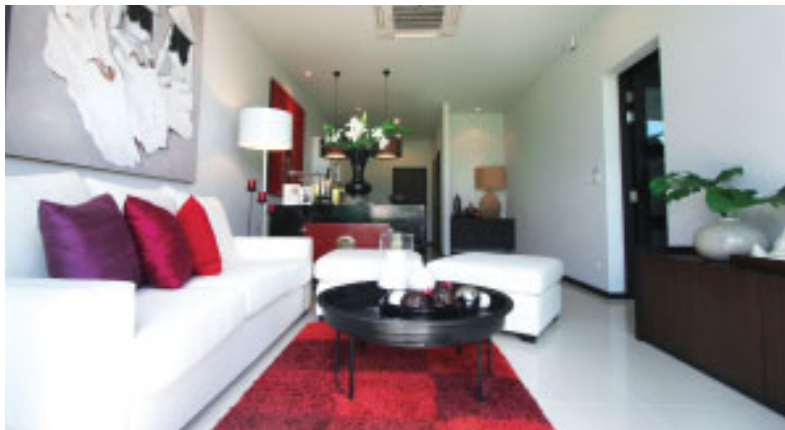
Onyx homes are uniquely designed compact yet spacious single-story condominium-style private pool villa residences.

The two-bedroom homes bring together elements of the Two Villas pool villa and ground floor condominium designs to offer a fresh new concept of ready-to-move-into homes.

Each unit comes fully equipped with a built-in kitchen and fitted furniture in each of the bedrooms. The two ensuite bathrooms are fitted out with high-quality furnishings in trendy black and white.

The spacious kitchen space is stylishly kitted out with an L-shaped black marble counter top with an electric stove and convector hood fitted into pure white cupboards as part of the open-plan living and dining area.

Each of the two bedrooms



Onyx homes are designed to offer practical and stylish ground floor condo-style living space with a high-walled garden and swimming pool.

has a stylish ensuite bathroom fitted out in a modern Western style. The master bedroom's

spacious ensuite bathroom has a deep sunken bath that offers a view through the bedroom and



out to the pool in the garden beyond. It also has a separate overhead rain shower enclosed in glass.

Onyx homes are air conditioned throughout, with central ventilation in the living area and separate units in each of the bedrooms, affording energy conservation when the bedrooms are not in use.

Three-meter high ceilings with ambient lighting add to the feel of opulent spaciousness in the homes, which is also enhanced with the view of the enclosed tropical garden from the broad sliding-glass doors of the living area.

The doors open out onto the wooden veranda and the master bedroom doors open directly onto

the rectangular lap pool, providing a serene ambiance day or night.

The floor-to-ceiling double glazed doors also allow plenty of natural light into the living area and master bedroom and allow the home to be opened to the elements and make the most of the tropical climate.

Two Villas have used quality materials and building standards in order to ensure the homes are a sound investment. Two Villas will also look after the home while residents are away.

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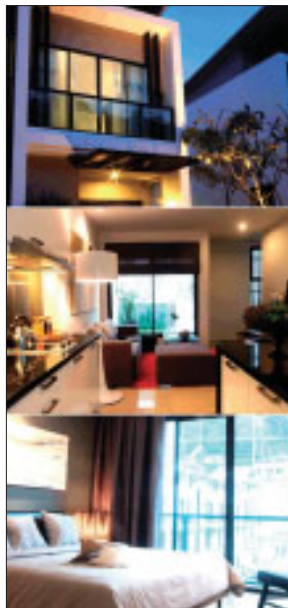
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PRIVATE SALE OF HALF A RAI

in Ao Makham. Land is located opposite Port of Phuket and next to Bel Air Cape Panwa Resort. Price 4.2 million. Tel: 081-891 5932, 089-035 6702.

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Single house, 60sqm. 2 floors, 3 bedrooms and 3 toilets. In Chaipruek Village at Land & House, Chalong. Good location and entrance from By-Pass road. Built 2 years ago. Tel: 084-627 7001.

LAND FOR SALE, PATONG BEACH

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In Srisuchart Grandville 3, not far from Tesco Lotus. 3 bedrooms 2 bathrooms, 1 car park and little garden. Very nice house contact to come see at 087-277 0978 or koyangle99@hotmail.com

SURIN BEACH

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Long lease. Near Dowrungs School in Phuket Town. Tel: 081-6912526.

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TOWNHOUSE IN PHUKET TOWN

for sale. 2 floors, 110 sqm. Very good location, 5 minute from Central and Big C. Price 2,935,000 baht. Payment plan. Tel: 080-071 9098.

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TOWNHOUSE IN PHUKET TOWN

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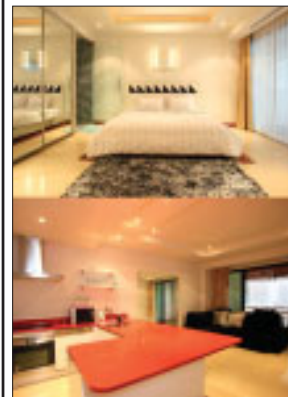
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PATONG STUDIO

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LAND URGENT SALE



3 rai freehold. Spectacular seaview, private, 3 minute drive to Jungceylon. Suitable for building holiday homes. Tel: 089-973 1447. Email: tommakorn@gmail.com

NEW CONDO



for sale. At Royal Place Project, opposite Tesco Lotus. 45sqm at corner, swimming pool view, fully furnished. Price 2.8 million baht. Tel: 081-691 2526.

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Human Resources Department

Andara Resort and Villas, 15 M.6, Kamala Kathu, Phuket
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Bulletins

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Wed 1 PM
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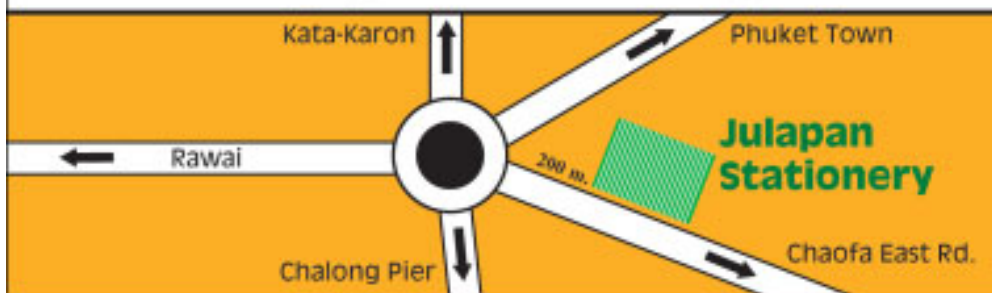
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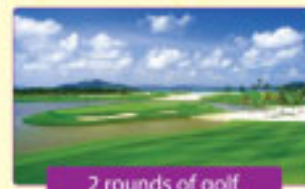
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