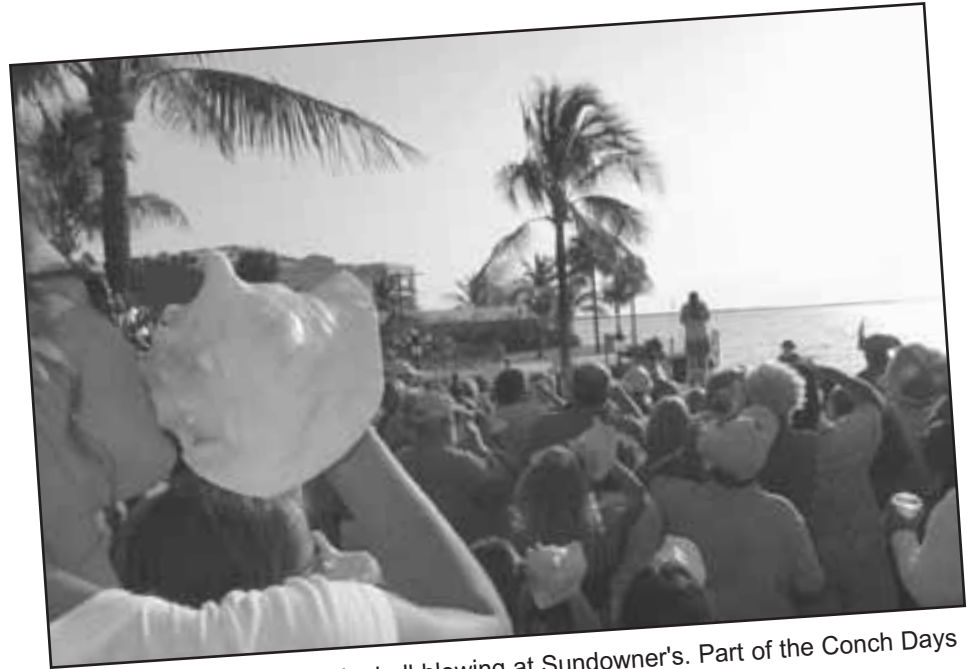


# Keys Conch Characters and More



Don Brown of the Pilot House Marina points out the new ultralight landing strip being constructed.



Conch Republic conch shell blowing at Sundowner's. Part of the Conch Days activities.



DiMaggio Brothers playing for the crowd at the Pilot House.



Tracy and Bob of the Whistle Stop and their friend.



## Memorial Marker Installed to Honor Deputy Powers

It was a very proud but sad moment for the family of Deputy Misty Powers when family, friends and co-workers recently gathered to install a memorial marker.

At the service, Deputy Powers's daughter Autumn helped install the memorial marker.

Powers died in a car accident while on duty last June.

# Conch Characters of the Month



"Ironman Grandpa" Al Slusser of the Great American Walk with American Legion Commander Woody.



Don and Jeannie Brown welcome daughter Nikki Bricker back from tour in Afghanistan at the Big Chill.



Annie at Sharkey's.



R.I.P. Frank Beckett  
You will be missed!



American Legion's new bartender Iris.

## 84-year-young Man Follows Dream to Skydive



Long-time local resident Woody Woods, 84, recently pursued his dream of sky diving.

"Skydiving is something I've always wanted to try," says Woods. "And after visiting Skydive Miami and seeing how nice and professional everyone was my decision was easy."

Woods, who will celebrate his 85th birthday in June, has always had close ties with planes. He was an airplane mechanic for major airlines for decades, later was a plane mechanic for Mosquito

Control here in the Keys and has enjoyed building and flying remote control planes for years - but jumping out of one seemed like a different story.

And one jump isn't enough for this man. He plans to do it again soon. Who knows what is next, but if you have the pleasure of knowing Woody you know anything is possible. And at 84-years-young he is a great example of living life to the fullest, and being happy and healthy.