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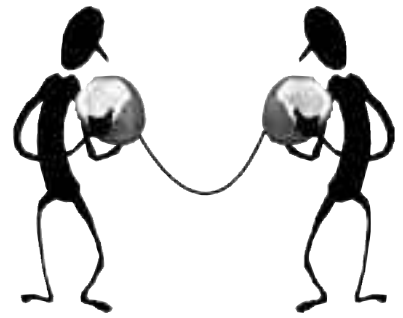
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# Editorial: Party for the Pantry at Pilot House and some other free stuff

November 22nd is the date! Mark your calendars. We will have live music, FREE food, raffles and door prizes all to benefit the Burton Memorial Food Pantry. Come help keep the pantry stocked for the holiday season.

One of the prizes you could win at the party is a one-week vacation at Lake Keowee in South Carolina thanks to WORZ worth \$3,000! Come celebrate with us and pick up a FREE bumper sticker that says "SUPPORT LOCAL MUSIC The ConchTelegraph.com."

The Florida Keys has lost a dear friend. John Mullon passed away and some of his friends put together a full-page memorial for him in this month's Coconut Telegraph. If you weren't able to make our deadline and have something to say about John visit us on face book site at facebook@theconchtelegraph.com and leave a quote for all to see. One of John's favorite things was having his picture in the Coconut Telegraph and he thoroughly enjoyed the response from his friends. In our December issue we will be doing a tribute to our friends that passed in the last year. If you would like your friend or

loved one included please send us a picture. Don't forget to vote! On page \_\_\_ is the Clear Channel's People's Choice Awards. It's your chance to show your appreciation for your favorite businesses - It really means a lot to them. And please remember those that give back to the community when you vote.

Here's another great reminder... As a welcome back to snowbirds and locals appreciation, the Island Grill in Islamorada is giving away FREE breakfast buffet on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 8 to 10 a.m.! Tell Jack the Coconut Telegraph sent you.

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# You Might Have Keys Disease...

Continued from last month

If you have ever lived aboard a boat...*you might have Keys Disease.*

If you think Kino's are designer leather footwear...*you might have Keys Disease.*

If you've ever sought after the elusive square grouper...*you might have Keys Disease.*

If you would rather have dental surgery than open that certified letter from the sewer district...*you might have Keys Disease.*

If you can't go to the grocery store without knowing half the people you see (some of which you duck because you owe them money or slept with their spouse)... *you might have Keys Disease.*

If you think hurricane evacuation is for tourists...*you might have Keys Disease.*

If you can sit in a crowd and point to who used to date whom before they were married to that other one...*you might have Keys Disease.*

If you think a trip to the mainland is a major excursion to be avoided at all costs...*you might have Keys Disease.*

If you check the sheriff's website every morning to see who you know that was arrested last night...*you might have Keys Disease.*

If you know in what order the bars close...*you might have Keys Disease.*

If you spend more money on fishing gear than food every month...*you might have Keys Disease.*

If you know more than three bartenders and their pets by name...*you might have Keys Disease.*

If you haven't owned a lawnmower in 25 years...*you might have Keys Disease.*

If the Coconut Telegraph is your favorite newspaper...*you might have Keys Disease.*

Compiled by Sue Beal with apologies to Jeff Foxworthy and thanks to JC, Karen Beal and Dave Whitney.



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## Key Largo Conch House

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The Conch House serves breakfast, lunch, and dinner daily, as well as award winning coffee, Lobster Bisque, and Conch Fritters. There's a variety of teas and some of the best homemade desserts on the island. The food has an island flare. Some local favorites include Conch Eggs Benedict, Yellowtail Tacos, Lobster and Conch Ceviche, and Key Lime Almond Hogfish.

It is a pet friendly establishment and is home to Romeo, an African Grey Parrot who entertains on the wrap around porch and Chief, a lovable yellow Lab.

They also cater private parties on and off-site and deliver to local businesses.

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Project Inspiration is a way to "inspire and be inspired." The project involves local and international artists, one per month, coming to the Florida Keys Children's Shelter to paint murals in the bedrooms with the children.

Lisa Lansden of Tavernier conceived the project while speaking with William LeDent, Exec. Administrator of the Florida Keys Children's Shelter, at the Black and White Ball last Spring. Details unfolded and the project is now in full swing!

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*I felt like my family was there taking care of me. I would especially like to thank the staff that I personally knew and who cared for me over and above their duties. Doctors, please understand that all of you do a wonderful and a difficult job. As for the Nurses and PCTs, you are the true heroes and heroines that are on the front line (so to speak) you do the treating with caring and kind hearts. I thank you for that.*

*Through all of my difficult times and pain you were there for me. I will cherish always in my mind every day thinking of you and your selflessness. THANK YOU from the bottom of my heart, mind and soul.*

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Artists of the Month  
Nadine and Glenn  
Original Lobster Trap Art

In downtown Tavernier at mile marker 90 there is a little restaurant simply named Craig's where I stopped in for a bite to eat. As I waited for my mouth watering (best I ever had) Reuben sandwich I noticed some interesting artwork on the walls. I asked the waitress, Kitty, about it and she explained that a local couple painted them and made the frames out of old lobster traps.

The artwork on Craig's walls really reflects what the Florida Keys are all about. I was enthralled so I checked out the artists on the Internet.

The artists, Nadine and Glenn, retired from their South Florida nursery business and moved to Lower Matecumbe in 1999.

Three years later the couple took an art course at the local community college. It turned out they were really good at it and soon developed their own distinct style.

To go with their artwork Glenn started recycling old lobster traps from the Florida Keys waters and crafting them into beautiful frames. They are beautiful and unique. No two are alike.

Then in January of 2003 the couple participated in their first art show. It was a success so the pair decided to continue with their work. You can now find their work at local art shows and in galleries from Key West to Key Largo. Or stop by Craig's Restaurant or check out their website at www.LobsterTrapArt.com.





## Oct. 22-23-24-25 4 Days of Pirate-Themed Events!

### Thursday October 22nd

#### Captain Morgan Look Alike Pirate Plunder Party

6:30 pm Snapper's Restaurant Mile Marker 94

Got a little Captain in ya? Shiver your timbers with local pirates & enter the Captain Morgan look-alike contest, grand prize: Captain Morgan Shot Machine. Captain Morgan \$5 drink specials, live music and plundering.

### Friday, October 23rd

#### The Pillage Begins! Black Caesars Parade and Pirate Bash Starts 5 pm, Pilot House, Mile Marker 99.6 Seagate Blvd.

Unleash your inner buccaneer, don yer garb, grab yer partner and join Captain Morgan, the Morganettes and Black Caesar for Black Caesar's Pirate Parade and its invasion of the Holiday Inn Tiki Bar. The judges will be a'waiting at the Pirate Bash featuring live music, dancing, grub and grog.

#### Late Night Buccaneers After The Party, Party!

10:30pm Coconuts Mile Marker 100 on Caribbean Drive

Arg! Bring yer peg leg and yer dancin' booties to Coconuts to party into the wee hours! Live DJ, Captain Morgan \$5 drink specials, buckets of Bud specials for those in costume and jiggle yer timbers with Shiver Me Jello Shooters!

### Saturday, October 24th

#### Underwater Poker Tournament

Pirate-themed Brunch: 9am -2pm Key Largo Conch House, MM100

#### Pets, Pirates and Punch

Noon - 5pm Mile Marker 100.5: Keys Kritters

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#### Black Caesar Returns to Key Largo

Noon - 11 pm, Mile Marker 104:

#### Sundowners & Jimmy Johnson's Big Chill

Saturday's fun continues with the Pirate Bazaar and Thieves Market... Concert on the Water on Blackwater Sound... Pirates invade Key Largo -- a professionally choreographed pirate show reenacting Black Caesar's return to Key Largo... The music, fun, grog & bazaar continue past the 10 pm fireworks.

"After Party" Parties at various late-night venues.

### Sunday, October 25th

#### 8am Underwater Treasure Hunt

#### Pirate-themed Brunches:

9am -2pm Key Largo Conch House, Mile Marker 100

and 11am -4pm Snapper's Restaurant Mile Marker 94

#### Black Caesar's By-Land-or-Sea Booty Hunt

11 am, Sundowners, Mile Marker 104

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#### Buccaneer Bash and Finale

4pm Caribbean Club, Mile Marker 104

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## Softening Judgment Moving Beyond Appearance

It is our natural inclination to judge people, since it happens without our even thinking about it. We take one look and summarize a whole person—overweight, pretty, stylish, sloppy. This habit comes from the mind's need to categorize the world in order to be able to function without becoming overwhelmed. When we judge, we are looking for pertinent information, trying to determine whether the person approaching is a threat, an ally, or someone we don't need to worry about. This way of looking at people makes sense in a dangerous context, but in our daily lives it leads to an overly simplistic reading of the people we meet.

If you have ever judged someone dismissively, only to have them become a dear friend once you got to know them, you know the hazards of the judgment cycle firsthand. An experience like that may have led you to soften your natural tendency to believe your first impressions. We will always notice things about the people we meet, but as we become more conscious

of the shortcomings of judgment, we won't be satisfied with our surface observations. We may notice that someone is driving an expensive car, but we will decide whether to befriend her based on getting to know her over time. We will not rule out a friendship with someone with messy hair, especially if he turns out to have a great sense of humor and a kind heart. Liking or disliking a person is a choice you will naturally make, but it will be after you have gotten to know them.

Next time you notice yourself judging somebody, try to send love, light, or blessings to the person you were judging. Then try to listen to them openly or look them in the eye and learn something about them. If this is not easy for you, remember not to judge yourself either. Trust that with practice, you will successfully disable your habitual patterns. As you do, you will find a whole new dimension of perception opening up to you, allowing you to see beyond the surface and into the essence of the people you meet.

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Nice to have known you.”  
*Jack Hildreth*

“I will miss our lively  
afternoon debates, it just won't  
be the same without him.”  
*Bush*

“John used to say  
‘I don't give a rat's ass  
what you think!’  
Words to live by!”  
*Capt. Skylar Chapman*

“Thank you for being my  
friend for 40 years.”  
*Jim Beattie*

“We remember John from  
Jim and Val's when we always called  
him Capt. Kangaroo. We'll miss you!”  
*Sherry and Mike, T-Toons*

“He will be missed by the entire community.  
He left a hole that is hard to fill.”  
*Brenda Hogan*

“John, I will miss the savvy political insight over tangy  
Bloody Marys we shared at the Crib many Sunday  
mornings. Rest in Peace my friend, and say hello  
to Donna for me.  
*Glenn Hoover*

“I don't have the words to describe our  
friendship. I loved him more than I can say.”  
*George DeBoben*

“WHAT A FRIEND WE HAD IN JOHN MULLON!  
My first meeting was several years ago when the  
KL Chamber was having Senior Prom Night at the  
Lion's Club and I was the photographer. John  
and his wife Donna were my first shoot of the night.  
They were so happy! We'll miss you John!”  
*Video Dave*

“He was a good man, everyone loved him.”  
*Richard Callahan*

“John Mullon was truly a genuine humanitarian. He donated most of his time organizing events for the children that are involved in the  
Kiwanis. We were truly blessed to have him as a friend. John, you will be not only be missed by us but by the entire Florida Keys Community.”  
*Bear and Tina*



“Sunday morning Breakfast Club  
at the Caribbean Club won't  
be the same without John.”  
*Little Joe*

“Many people did not  
know that John was a  
connoisseur of model trains  
and an avid reader.”  
*Tim Hogan*

“John was one of the most  
intelligent people I've ever  
met and a joy to know.  
You are greatly missed.”  
*Denise Malefy*

“There are very few true  
friends in your life to whom  
you can say “I love you.”  
John was one of ours and  
we will miss him greatly.”  
*Cathy and Vern Sinclair*

“I will miss John's smiling face as  
he listened to my weekly bird tales.”  
*Amy Chinae*

“John brought out the best in people.  
Whenever he came around with a good cause,  
he didn't even have to ask... I wanted to help!”  
*Sue Beal*

“The man was a worker his whole life. In retirement  
he worked with the Kawanis Club and the  
Key Largo Chamber of Commerce  
'til the day he died.”  
*Robby Whitehurst*

“Mr. Ambassador, you will always  
be my favorite C.O.B.”  
*Jane VanFleet*

“Thanks for all the good laughs we had at the Chamber.”  
*Gladys Cornell*

“John was a serious student of Middle Eastern history which we spent  
hours discussing in regards to current events.”  
*Ben Hughes*

“John was a great guy.”  
*Buddy*

“John was the most  
wonderful man in  
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# Bartender of the Month Breanna Northcutt at Coconuts



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impressive and beautiful young  
lady with a bright future in  
front of her. She works two  
jobs to put herself through  
college and is a self confessed  
“computer nerd” with a  
Bachelors Degree  
in Mass  
Communications  
who is in her  
first year of  
Grad School.

“I moved  
here from  
Nashville,  
Tennessee a year  
ago to be near my  
relatives Carol  
Silverman, and  
Jackie and Bob Silverman the  
owners of KLI,” she tells us  
while she pops bottled beer  
caps on a busy Wednesday  
Ladies Night at Coconuts. “I  
love Coconuts! It is the closest  
thing the Upper Keys has to a  
night club.”

While Breanna works the

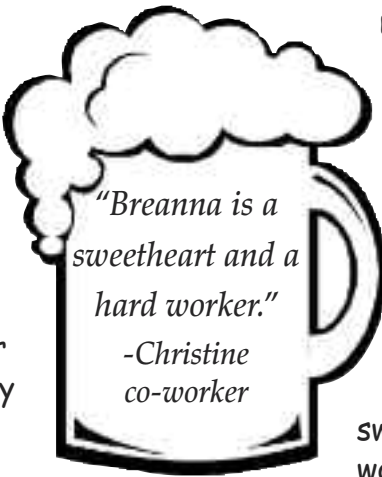
bar the dance floor is alive  
with Buffie Sherman's  
Wednesday Night Flip Flop  
Dance Hop where professional  
break dancers from all over  
come to compete to win prizes  
while they hone their skills. As  
she works and tells us

more about herself  
someone drops a  
snake around  
Breanna's shoulders,  
eek! We snapped a  
picture.

Christine, a co-  
worker of Bree's,  
says with a smile  
“Breanna is a  
sweetheart and a hard  
worker. You can't tell

by looking at her but she can  
ride a 4-wheeler better than  
most guys!” I believe it.

I asked Bree if she would  
like to tell the Coconut  
Telegraph readers anything and  
she didn't hesitate to reply,  
“Yes! I am single, a lot of fun  
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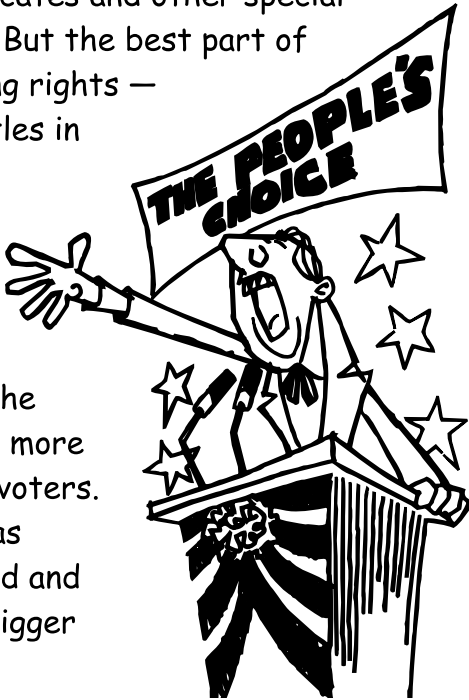
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# People’s Choice Awards Celebrates 20th Anniversary

by Sue Beal

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This year, the Coconut Telegraph is supporting the contest by printing a ballot in the newspaper in an attempt to get more ballots into the hands of more voters. In recent years, the contest has averaged 5,000 ballots returned and tallied. May 2009 be an even bigger and better contest! **VOTE!!**





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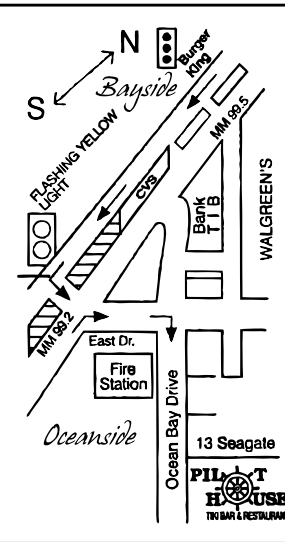
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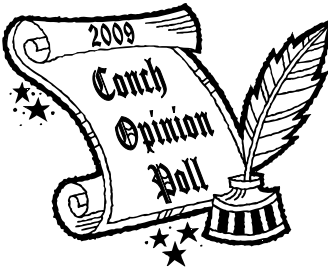
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Debby Hawkins Karaoke every Wednesday nights at the Caribbean Club.



David and Desiree celebrate their honeymoon at the Pilot House.



Congratulations to Tina Goddard the new owner of Tropical Styles Salon!



Oktoberfest was a big hit at the Key Largo Conch House!



Kevin Hurley at Gilbert's Tiki Bar.



Travis and Arthur are Glad-e-ators at the Big Chill Ladies Night.



Gary Jennings and Mike Mitzner at the Pilot House.



"Anything That Floats" group shot. Photo courtesy of Thad Bowling

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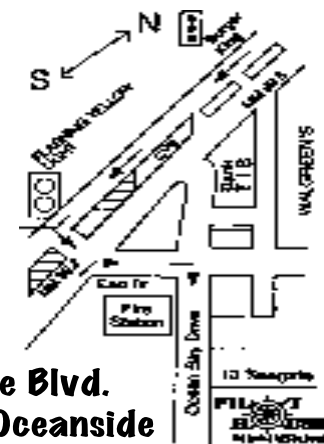
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## Pardon Our Dust!

From now through the end of October, the restaurant closes on weekdays for its annual sprucing up!

The Tiki Bar and Turtle Club is open daily from 11 AM with the full lunch menu available.

The restaurant opens for dinner on Friday at 5 PM with normal hours thru the weekend.

What could be better on Sunday than a leisurely and delicious brunch overlooking the water, accompanied by the melodious jazz sounds of Frank Carmelitano?



Featuring Champagne Mimosas, the new Bloody Mary Bar, gourmet specials and an amazing array of selections!

## Sunday Brunch "Build Your Own" Bloody Mary Bar

Now introducing... the ALL NEW

## Bubbly Bar

Mix your own mimosa/champagne cocktail with our new Bubbly Bar! It's like the Bloody Mary Bar but with juices, fresh fruits, and liqueurs to add to your champagne! Have it YOUR way!

"You can't drink all day long, if you don't start first thing in the morning!"

## Early Supper Savings!

From 5 to 6 pm every day... for just \$18.50 you get your choice of a cup of soup or salad, a choice of one of our special entrées of the day, plus coffee and a piece of key lime pie.

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**Captain Morgan Look-alike Contest**

Got a little Captain in ya?

Thursday October 22nd be here at 6:30

**Captain Morgan ORIGINAL SPICED RUM**

Judging to be held at 7:30, immediately following Turtle Club the Radio Show. Captain Morgan Drink Specials & Turtle Night 20% discounts apply. Grand Prize is a Captain Morgan Shot Machine. Losers may have to walk the plank!

PART OF THE Key Largo Pirates Fest An Upper Key Business Group Event www.keylargopiratesfest.com

Sunday Oct. 25 Pirates Brunch and Pirate-themed Turtle Club Party!



Watch with us! Big flat screen TVs & specials!

Get all the details at Snappers or [www.snapperskeylargo.com](http://www.snapperskeylargo.com)

## NEW HAPPY HOUR

Reduced Prices and Live Music from 5-8 on Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday -and- Free Friday Buffet for Happy Hour Guests!

## Home of the World-Famous Turtle Club

Thursdays, come for Turtle Club the Radio Show at 6:30, stay for live music!

Sunday Brunch, 11:30-3:30: Frank Carmelitano

Every Mon & Tue 5-8: Yishka

Every Wed 5-8: Dwayne McGregor

Thu, Oct 1, 7:30-11 and Fri-Sat-Sun Oct.1-4, 7-11: R.P.M.

Thu Oct 8, 7:30-10:30: Just Not Right

Fri-Sat Oct 9-10, 7-10: TBA

Thu, Oct 15 7:30-10:30 and Fri-Sat Oct 16-17, 7-10: Rick Merrill

Thu, Oct 22 7:30-10:30 and Fri-Sat Oct 23-24: Bruce Isaacson

Thu, Oct. 29 7:30-10:30 Fri-Sat Oct 30-31, 7-10: Scott Kirby

**PUMPKIN CARVING CONTEST**  
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