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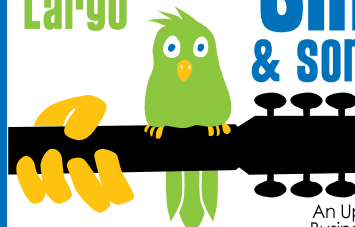
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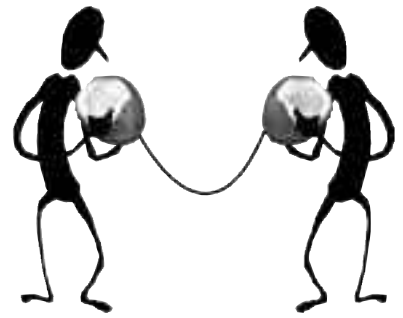
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Editorial: Benefit for Maureen

May 22nd there will be a benefit for Maureen Owens at the American Legion. Maureen has worked hard for the community for many years. She recently underwent a double mastectomy and has months of chemotherapy and radiation in front of her. She must drive to Miami almost on a daily basis for treatment. Though Maureen has not been able to work since the onset of her illness she did volunteer to help with the Coconut Telegraph's and WORZ's "Party for the Pantry" for the Burton Memorial Methodist Church food pantry. Her specialty is procuring donations and making them into beautiful baskets to raffle off for charity. We are looking for volunteers to get donations for baskets for Maureen's benefit. The theme is "It's

a Booby Shower!" Come on out for live entertainment, great food and fun. See the ad on page 14. For more information call me at 305-304-2837. This month marks a year since my mother passed away. It is also a year since an old friend and former employer, Jack Webb, died in a trailer fire that was declared arson by the fire marshall. My mother died of natural causes and she had lived a full life. Sadly, Jack Webb died all too soon. He was in the process of opening a restaurant at the Key Largo Fisheries and was absolutely ecstatic that his life was taking a turn for the better. I have had many conversations with his ex-wife Marty who passed away a few months ago. Marty Webb was a brilliant

businesswoman. She held a CPA license in Oklahoma. She could be a tough employer yet her heart was full of love for her family and friends. Not a week went by without an "I'm so glad we're friends" email from Marty. Marty believed her ex-husband and partner Jack was murdered. I deeply appreciate the encouragement I have received from those who cared about Jack. I have also been threatened by those who want it to just go away.... I will not succumb to threats and bullying. Those who want this case reopened should call the police. If you are afraid for your life, treat yourself to a little shopping at Kiffney's. They are a pleasure to do business with.

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Tip the Band and Give the Munchkin a Lollipop

A few weeks ago I received a voice mail message from a short tempered band member that had played at Gilbert's Resort. He was very angry that I had put a picture of the band in the Coconut Telegraph. He said that he had not "authorized" me to put it in and to NEVER do it again! The policy of the Coconut Telegraph is that we only promote our advertisers. When we take a picture it is not about promoting the band as much as it is the advertiser and the advertiser is who pays the band. The Coconut Telegraph is a privately owned newspaper paid for by its advertisers. We are not the Rolling Stone magazine nor do we need authorization to photograph a public performance. In all the years I have lived in the Keys I have met many talented musicians and it seems that the less talented they are the bigger their ego and the more talented they are the more secure they are with themselves. This particular caller has a head way to big for his bonsai body. Although he has a nice voice and knows how to stay within his small range, the success of the band is due to the guitarist and drummer who are phenomenally talented, those guys are already famous, just google them and see. Not some shrimpy little dude with a microphone who wears makeup and probably buys his clothes at yard sales for little kids. A group of friends had gone to Gilbert's to hear this band, for many of them it was the first time they had ever heard them. Everyone was in awe of the guitarist, not the little squirt bouncing around the stage in his mama's army boots. This guy is so short you can probably see his feet in his drivers license picture! He probably poses for trophies

too. How could you stoop so low as to think it is all about you? This same little guy made the comment to me a few years ago that his band would never "grant me an interview" because we had made the band "Hav-at-it" Entertainers of the Month! I couldn't believe it! You pathetic little wannabe! It is bad enough that you have a Napoleon Complex and think you are a super star but putting down other entertainers is just plain rude! Those guys are our friends and neighbors. People will look down on you for that. We know you are not happy, so which dwarf are you? Here is a new song for you to learn, "Short people!" Every entertainer that we have promoted as Entertainers of the Month have been kind, gracious and talented. There are many other fine entertainers that deserve to be "Entertainers of the Month" and the reason they aren't is that we just haven't had the opportunity to do so yet. Just as we were finally able to feature this band we got the threatening phone message. Then we received an email of complaint about why they deserve to be featured from the same band member! A 4th grader could have written a better letter. What we do all agree on is that we love the band. One thing that really upset me was that the band Viva who was angry that their weekly gig was cut back claimed that Gilbert's was only a "cemetery" before they played there. Not true! This was a slap in the face to all the employees and regulars at Gilbert's. The band that I am not naming here is who made Sundays at Gilbert's standing room only way before Viva. Now that they are back the crowd is bigger than ever. Bottom line is you can't get bad entertainment at Gilberts.



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Shanice Mills, Centennial Bank's Katie Suzan, TMV's Ms. Lindsay Matheny, Emily Tagliareni, Courtney Caputo, Centennial Bank's Jennifer Hawkins, Sierra Ohrmundt and TVM's Ms. Julie Clark.



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Jimmy Johnsons' Big Chill, Caribbean Club
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2. If your jewelry is costume or vintage you can easily sell it on ebay.
3. Clothing is optional – In this case that means get rid of anything you haven't worn in a year. Consign it or have a yard sale.
4. Do you have a green thumb? One lady I know grows and sells beautiful plants from her home.
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6. Baby sit or dog sit....
7. Volunteer to wait tables at the Legion, VFW, ELKS or Moose Lodge. Cash tips!
8. Rent out a room. It's a steady income.
9. Rent out your dock space or driveway. Many snowbirds are looking for a place to store their boat or car for the summer.
10. Clean houses or detail cars and boats.

Artist of the Month



Photo by Robert Gintel

Barbara Gintel

Artist, award winning photographer, philanthropist.

Barbara Gintel loves people, life and the beauty of the world around her. Originally from New York State she majored in art at the Bennett Junior College in Millbrook where she became the school's photographer. A long-time resident of Key Largo's Ocean Reef Club, Barbara has won many awards for her photography.

The famous photo on this issue's cover is a perfect example of Gintel's creative talent. Just 50 yards past Alabama Jack's Card Sound Restaurant sat an old man and his dog, every day for years just watching the cars go by. One day in 1996 Barb grabbed her camera and took off in search of the old man.

He agreed to allow her to photograph him and like most people sat up straight to pose. She took a couple of shots and turned away as she did not want a posed photo, she wanted a natural one.

The old man relaxed but the dog was looking away at approaching traffic. In order to get the dogs attention Gintel began to growl and bark till the dog looked in her direction and she got the shot she was looking for.

Several years later Gintel gave an exhibition of 67 of her photographs, donating the proceeds to the Ocean Reef Art League who sponsored the event. The Card Sound Man far outsold every other picture in the gallery. You cannot purchase that picture, as it is only available through selected charitable events and it brings in over \$1,000 per copy. Why do people love it so much? It is reminiscent of the old Florida Keys and it looks more like a painting than a photograph.

Barbara and her husband Bob have traveled the world and you can see it through their eyes at www.GintelPics.com. It is a collection of their best!

MMC On Standby to Rescue Marine Mammals from Oil Slick

The Marine Mammal Conservancy (MMC) has been requested by the National Marine Fisheries Service to be on standby for possible deployment to the Gulf of Mexico for a rescue and recovery operation. The oil slick from the recent rig explosion and sinking poses a potentially serious threat to marine wildlife. MMC, in partnership with Dolphins Plus (Key Largo, FL), Dolphins Cove (Key Largo, FL), Ocean Embassy (Orlando, FI) and the National Marine Fisheries Service; is now marshalling the resources, equipment and personnel required to immediately respond to this disaster.

The Marine Mammal Conservancy (MMC) is an all volunteer nonprofit corporation dependent on the support of the public for operation. Located on a three-acre lot on the Gulf coast of Key Largo, Florida. MMC encourages the public to participate in its efforts to conserve and protect marine mammals and our oceans. The Marine Mammal Conservancy, Inc. is authorized under a Stranding Agreement with the U.S. National Marine Fisheries Service to respond, rescue, transport, and rehabilitate stranded and injured marine mammals under the Marine Mammal Protection Act.

Upper Keys Krawl

Get a gang together, five to 20 people. Monday or Tuesday is really good. A lot of people in the "Biz" are usually off. Start time is around 10 A.M. First stop is for breakfast. Starting in the south, "Island Grill" is good. In Key Largo you have great choices with "Key Largo Conch House", "Sharkey's Galley" or "The Hideout", all are excellent. Head south to "Chilli Willies 11:30 or 12:00. Inside for a cocktail or two. Next stop "Island Grill" 12:45. Sit outside for a round or two. 1:30 head north to "Gilbert's" or "Pontoons" for libations. 2:00 stop at "Buzzards Roost" for some lunch. 3:00, drinks at the "Caribbean Club" or "The Big Chill". 4:00, Happy hour at "Coconuts". Make up time for your designated drivers. 5:00 until whenever, relax, drink and eat at "Sharkey's. Unknown hour, whoever can walk home do so, whoever can't, call a taxi and take your designated drivers home. Next day pick up the cars and start planning next weeks Krawl.

Vince

Editors note: Great idea Vince! Count me in.

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The Real Thing Love Should Feel Good

Love should feel good. Relationships that leave you feeling depleted, sad and making excuses are not based in love.

Often in our lives, we fall prey to the idea of a thing rather than actually experiencing the thing itself. We see this at play in our love lives and in the love lives of our friends, our family, and even fictional characters. The conceptualizing, depiction, and pursuit of true love are multimillion-dollar industries in the modern world.

However, very little of what is offered actually leads us to an authentic experience of love. Moreover, as we grasp for what we think we want and fail to find it, we may suffer and bring suffering to others. When this is the case, when we suffer more than we feel healed, we can be fairly certain that what we have found is not love but something else.

When we feel anxious, excited, nervous, and thrilled, we are probably experiencing romance, not love. Romance can be a lot of fun as long as we do not try to make too much of it. If we try to make more of it than it is, the romance

then becomes painful. Romance may lead to love, but it may also fade without blossoming into anything more than a flirtation. If we cling to it and try to make it more, we might find ourselves pining for a fantasy, or worse, stuck in a relationship that was never meant to last.

Real love is identifiable by the way it makes us feel. Love should feel good. There is a peaceful quality to an authentic experience of love that penetrates to our core, touching a part of ourselves that has always been there. True love activates this inner being, filling us with warmth and light. An authentic experience of love does not ask us to look a certain way, drive a certain car, or have a certain job. It takes us as we are, no changes required. When people truly love us, their love for us awakens our love for ourselves. They remind us that what we seek outside of ourselves is a mirror image of the lover within. In this way, true love never makes us feel needy or lacking or anxious. Instead, true love empowers us with its implicit message that we are, always have been, and always will be, made of love.



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What Do You Do If You Find A Baby Wildlife

Healthy wild birds and mammals need to be raised by their parents. Humans cannot duplicate, but only approximate, all learning skills baby animals need to get from their parents in order to thrive as adults in their natural habitat.

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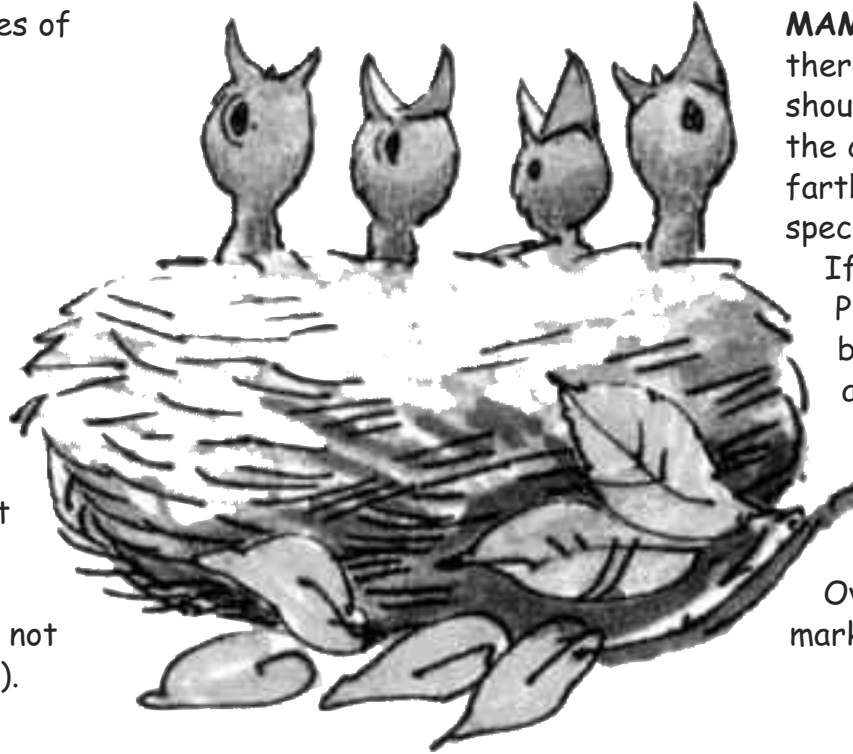
If you find a bird at this stage on the ground, try to locate the nest, and if possible, put the baby back. Despite of what you may have heard, the parents will not reject the baby (Mammals have a keen sense of smell and will not take back a baby that was handled).

Fledglings - at this stage the bird will be feathered but has a short tail. It is mobile on ground but not flying yet. It is still being fed and cared for by its parents.

If you find a bird at this stage on the ground - it is normal - all songbirds

jump out of nest at this stage and learn how to fly from the ground up.

Unless the fledgling is injured, wet, cold, not moving, or in a dangerous location, it is best to let the parents finish raising their baby - it is only a short period of time before they fly.



MAMMALS - If found on ground and there is no sign of parents, the baby should be picked up and transferred to the center. (please call the center for farther instruction on the different species of mammals).

If you determined a rescue is needed Place the bird in a box (with breathing hole punched into the side and top) keep it warm and quiet. Please do not give food or water. Then call Florida Keys Wild Bird Center (305) 852-4486 or bring the animal to the center at 93997 Overseas Hwy, Tavernier, mile marker 94, Ocean Side.

Bartender of the Month Jim Horan at Gilbert's & Encore



Jim Horan has the best of both worlds. On weekends you'll see him zooming around Gilbert's keeping up with the crowd. He's serving rum runners and awesome food from the Tiki Bar menu where the atmosphere is laid back. It's a bikini's and barefoot pet friendly kind of place. Come by boat, motorcycle or car. Week-nights you'll find him at the inside bar at the Fish House Encore, a more upscale fine dining elegant kind of place. At either place he shines.

"Jim is amazing. He can listen to his customers and talk at the same time," says last months Bartender of the Month Josh Kassell. "He doesn't miss a thing." Mark Mills of Clear Channel Radio says "Jim is a 6' 3" sensitive new age

bartender!" When Jim got divorced and moved here three years ago it completely changed his life. He appreciates the beauty around him, meditates and does not drink alcohol. Last week outside the Encore I saw him give a woman a frog. Not an ordinary frog, a Brazilian tree frog. By the way it is not on the menu. He's an animal lover and you'll see him fosters animals till he finds them a good home. But I think his most endearing quality is his honesty.

Combined with his great physique and good looks it is enough to make me want to kiss a tree frog. What does Jim have to say about his work and life? "I get to work with the best and by the way, I love chocolate cake!"



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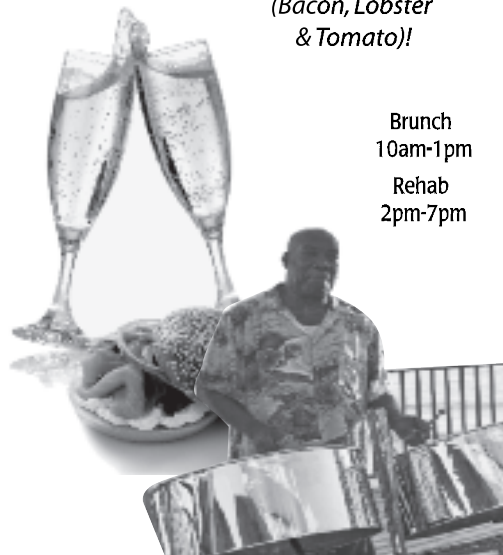
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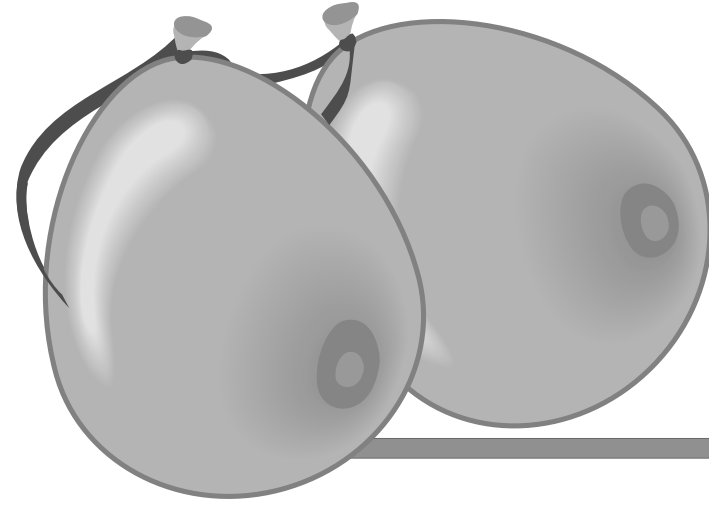
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Remembering Janice Hawley Woods



The family of Janice Hawley Woods would like to thank all of their friends for the immense support and condolences received since her passing.

"We sincerely thank everyone for their support," says her husband Woody Woods and daughter Georgie Dunn. "Your kind words and giving hearts have been of great comfort to our family."

"We not only appreciate the people who have reached out to share their memories of her with us," says granddaughters Mandi and Nikki Dunn. "But also the countless friends who have lent an ear to listen to our memories."

Janice Hawley Woods, devoted wife of 62 years to Woody Woods, a most loving mother to her only daughter, Georgie Dunn, an admiring

mother-in-law to Barry Dunn, and an immensely giving Grandmother to Granddaughters Nikki and Mandi Dunn (all of Key Largo), has lost her long battle with emphysema at the age of 83, on April 12, 2010.

She and her husband left Connecticut in 1948 to start a new life in Miami, FL. Janice was an excellent substitute teacher there. After falling in love with the Keys, she and her family moved to Key Largo in 1963. She is best loved by her friends for teaching water aerobics and Thai Chi, where she got the nickname "Sarge."

Her love, smile, humor, and remarkable creativity will be truly missed by her family and friends.

Entertainer of the Month Jimmy Bullet Ray



Singer, songwriter, musician, entertainer Jimmy Ray has the most loyal and devoted following the Coconut Telegraph has seen in a long time.

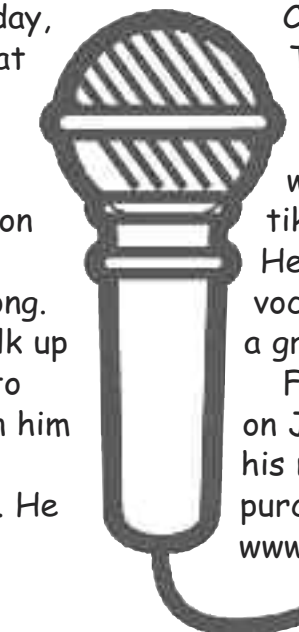
Key Largo entertainer Ted Hyde remarks "Jimmy Ray is the kind of entertainer that makes you feel good inside." And Ted is right. You just can't help but smile.

It is Tuesday, Ladies Night at the Big Chill, and the place is packed. Jimmy Ray is on stage in the middle of a song. The ladies walk up to the stage to plant a kiss on him and he never misses a beat. He is that approachable.

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Come see Jimmy every Tuesday night at the Big Chill (inside bar) and Friday nights where he plays at the tiki bar with Derrick Herring on keyboard and vocals. Treat yourself to a great time.

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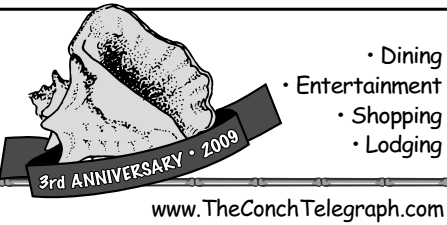
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4. Dumber than a box of hair.
5. A few beers short of a six pack.
6. The wheel's spinning but the hamster is dead.
7. A few feathers short of a whole duck.
8. An experiment in artificial stupidity.
9. If he had another brain it would be lonely.
10. Proof that evolution can go in reverse.



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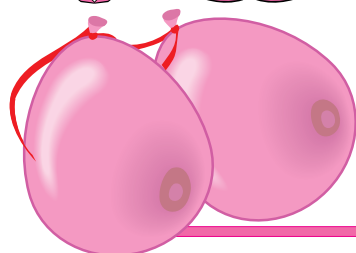
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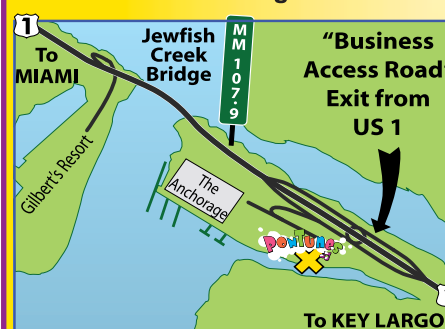
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