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Schedule and artist information inside.

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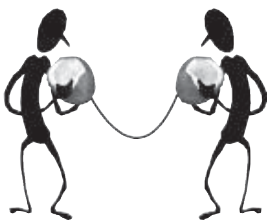
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Editorial: Pick Up Lines for the Chronologically Challenged

I have noticed lately that older men still use the same adolescent pickup lines they've always used, and they make me cringe. "Want to see something swell?" and "Sit on my ----" just doesn't cut it guys!

When you reach a mature age, you need to change your repertoire of pick up lines if you're ever going to get lucky.

Here are a few to help you get started:

Ohh baby,
did you fart?
cause you just
blew me away!

My teeth and I no longer sleep together but you and I definitely should.

My war buddies over there bet I wouldn't be able to start a conversation with the most beautiful girl in the room. Wanna buy some drinks with their money?

I might be a retired photographer, but I can still picture us together.

If I had to choose between breathing and loving you... I'd take my last breath to say "I Love You."

How about I take you home and show you my medicine cabinet!

Did I tell you, I'm filthy rich and my mother is dead?

Just wait until you see the size of my... social security check.

Your company is so delightful, I'm contemplating putting a new battery in my hearing aid.

Is your name Viagra, 'cause I don't think they will be able to close my casket after a night with you.

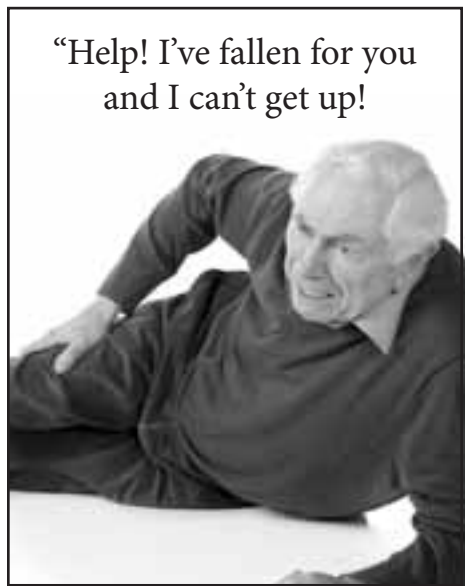
How'd you like to be in my will?

You're so sweet, you're giving my dentures cavities.

Ever done it in a Craft-matic adjustable bed?

My arteries aren't the only things that have hardened.

I would sink my teeth into dat booty but they might just stay there.



Here is my favorite one...

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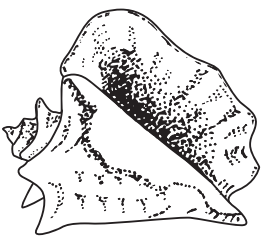
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in October for November Edition

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Buy Backup Cigarettes
Complain
Plan Hurricane Party
Complain some more
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Buy More Vodka
Speculate with neighbors about hurricane party

New To The Keys: Chiropractic Delivery Service

Keys Mobile Chiropractic is now open in the Upper Keys. This new practice, run by Dr. Austin Mosley, strives to provide exceptional care at an affordable price. Add to this the convenience of office hours in Islamorada and mobile availability throughout the Upper Keys, Keys Mobile Chiropractic offers a unique blend of quality and accessibility.

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Dr. Austin Mosley

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October is Packed with Special Events at Gilbert's Resort

by Rob LeBrun

Friday October 2nd
Country Night with
Grayson Rogers 7-11pm



Grayson Rogers is the epitome of the new country music scene, performing high-energy music that engages audiences and makes people take notice. In September 2014, Grayson's debut album All Fired Up was released nationwide. His first single, "Party Rocker" was released in September 2014, immediately charting in the Top 20 on the PlayMPE charts and later being awarded "Favorite New Song" in the 2014 SFCM Country Music Awards.

Saturday October 10th
The Sauce Boss 1-4pm
(American Cancer Society Fundraiser)



Bill "Sauce Boss" Wharton brings his own hot sauce to every gig, and he cooks a big pot of gumbo, while smoking his slide guitar. At the end of the show, everyone gets a bowl. With his homegrown story-telling and natural-born guitar talent, The Sauce Boss righteously sings the blues. He has weathered more than his share of hurricanes, sunburn, and mosquitoes. He has taken his

blues and a huge pot of gumbo to the disaster zones of the Mississippi delta and to homeless shelters across America - where he's fed war veterans, hurricane survivors, and plenty of other folks who come for music but leave with much more.

Friday October 23rd
Joe Moorhead Band
7-11pm



Like a rum-soaked cool breeze off an island shore, Joe Moorhead, offers a musical escape from the daily grind. Like Jack Johnson, Sublime and the Dave Mathews Band, Joe Moorhead creates a laid back groove with insightful lyrics about love and life from a wholly original sound that provides an escape from today's tough times. Not taking themselves too seriously, the band's shows are fun and original celebrations designed around escaping from the pains and horrors of the real world.



Saturday October 24th
Iconic Women of Rock
7-11pm



Iconic Women of Rock is a hard-driving, rock tribute band, led by two dynamic female vocalists - Tiffany Raynor and Ariel Stark. They bring the look, feel, and sound of rock icons such as Heart, Pat Benatar and Joan Jett to life. Iconic Women of Rock takes the audience on a journey of these rock legends' musical hits from the 70's and 80's, featuring their timeless lyrics and signature guitar riffs that die-hard fans remember and appreciate. Come and experience Iconic Women Of Rock!

Monday October 26th
Igor and Red Elvices
6-10pm



Igor and Red Elvices are a traveling "rokenrol" party that is constantly in motion and evolving. Singer, songwriter, guitarist and showman extraordinaire Igor Yuzov is perpetually globe-trotting, and in the process found scores of wildly talented and entertaining performers to bring into the fold. Igor's unique humor combined with guitar based rock'n'roll makes audiences want to sing, dance, scream and shout.

Red Elvices Costume Contest
9:30pm

1st Place \$150 Gilberts Gift Card
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Saturday October 31st
Halloween Party with
Mainstreet 7-11pm



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Common MythConceptions

WORLD'S MOST CONTAGIOUS FALSEHOODS

The Vomitorium

Not a room Romans used for Bacchanalian binges, but the name for the entrance to a stadium.

Black holes

Not really 'holes' but hugely dense objects with massive gravitational pull.

Great Wall of China

Not visible from space. Myth. Now stop saying it!

Dogs sweat by salivating

No. They regulate temperature I through panting. They actually sweat through footpads.

Einstein failed math

Nope. He failed an entrance exam for a school but still excelled in math.

Goldfishes' 3-sec. memory

While not the smartest, goldfish boast a memory span of 3 months... better than most politicians.

We evolved from chimps

No. Along with bonobos, they are our closest living genetic relatives. A shared ancestor lived 5-8 million years ago.

Sugar causes hyperactivity

Studies have disproved this. ADHD and poor behaviors still occurs in children with sugar-free diets.

The three wise men

Nowhere in the New Testament does it specify there were three.

Satan rules Hell

Doesn't actually say this anywhere in the Bible.

7 years to digest gum

The chewy base of gum is indigestible & passes straight through. The remainder is absorbed.

Sharks don't get cancer

Oh yes they do get cancer. Particularly skin cancer.

Bulls hate red

Bulls are color-blind. They actually react to motions of the bull fighter's cloth as a perceived threat.

Oil stops pasta from sticking

Nope. But it can stop the water foaming or boiling over.

Bats are blind

Don't be fact-blind! Bats can not only see. They can also use echolocation. That's why they're so awesome!

Don't eat & swim!

Doesn't increase risk of cramps; alcohol is the biggest risk increaser. But a full stomach make you short of breath.

MSG gives you headaches

No proof, just anecdotal evidence implicating flavour 'enhancer' monosodium glutamate.

Chastity belts

Not anti-adultery devices. Instead invented by prudes in the 19th century to prevent 'dangerous masturbation.

Shaving thickens hair

Regrown hair isn't thicker, coarser or darker, it just appears so because its no longer tapered.

Left & right brain

No solid division between talents of each hemisphere; left brain can learn 'right brain' functions & vice-versa.

We only use 10% of brain

Misunderstood metaphor. Proportion of our brain 'firing' is task-dependent. Ultimately, all cells are important.

Alcohol kills brain cells

Only in heavy users & alcoholics who rely on alcohol to get most of their calories.

Flushed water rotation

Does not rotate the other way in the Southern hemisphere. The Coriolis effect doesn't affect water in toilets.

Martyrs & 72 virgins await

A matter of debate in Islam. Nowhere in the Koran, but is reported in other texts.

Electric fan at night

Big myth in South Korea that this is deadly. Very unlikely to harm you, unless you put the fan in the bed.

Napoleon was short

A tall tale. He was actually above average height for a Frenchman of the time,

Bananas grow on trees

Actually grow on massive herbs that resemble trees. Bet you didn't know that

Vikings wore horned helmets

Actually created by a costume designer for a 19th-century Wagner opera.

Don't touch baby birds!

Birds have a limited sense of smell so won't abandon babies who 'smell' of humans.

"Yes, I'm a cop"

US undercover police do not have to identify themselves as cops. A Hollywood-induced myth-

Evolution is a 'theory'

In science, a 'theory' is anything more than a conjecture. Usually an extensively tested idea uniting data from many observations.

Caffeine dehydrates you

Not really. The diuretic effect of caffeine is offset by the amount of water in a caffeinated drink.

Dropped pennies kill

Terminal velocity of a penny is 30-50 mph, which isn't fast enough. It would hurt though.

A fatwa is a death sentence

It actually means 'non-binding legal opinion'.

Salty water boils quicker

Adding a sprinkle of salt to fresh water makes no difference. Huge, sea-level amounts do.

No sex before the game!

No evidence sex impairs athletic performance. Could even help athletes due to increased testosterone.

Different tongue parts

There are no different sections for each taste: bitter, sour, salty, sweet & umami (savory/meaty).

Don't wake sleepwalkers?

They'll be really confused, but its okay. They're more likely to hurt themselves if they're not wakened.

Missing persons reports

Police don't demand a 24-hour period before accepting a missing persons report.

Body heat & the head

Only in infants is most heat lost through the head. Or if the head is the only uncovered part of the body.

Iron maidens

Never were medieval torture devices, but 18th- century fakes created for sensational circuses.

We have 5 senses

We actually have close to 20, including balance, pain, movement, hunger, thirst, etc.

Humans & dinosaurs

Despite 41% of US adults thinking they coexisted, we actually missed each other by -63 million years.

Glass is a liquid

Actually an 'amorphous solid' 'But that's why stained-glass windows are thicker at the bottom.' Nope, it's just badly made glass.

Vaccines cause autism

Groundless fears based on fraudulent research that's been shown to have been manipulated.

Alcohol keeps you warm

Dilates warm blood vessels near the skin, creating the impression of warmth. It can drop core body temp.

Milk increases mucous

Nope. It just straight doesn't There's no need to avoid dairy if you have a cold.

Jihad is 'holy war'

It actually translates as 'struggle' though it does come in 'lesser and greater' flavors.

Washington & weed

He grew hemp to make rope & clothes, but there's no evidence he smoked a phat one, most nights.

Research: James Kennedy, Miriam Quick, Ella Hollowood, Pearl Doughty-White.
www.InformationIsBeautiful.net
sources: http://en.wikipedia-org/wiki/List_of_common_misconceptions
Snopes.com, NYTimes, StraightDope
data: bit.ly/KIB_Mythconception

John Popper Hooks Crowd at Gilbert's

By Rob LeBrun



John Popper of Blues Traveler performs at Gilbert's with The Regs.

Nothing could stop John Popper from performing at Gilbert's. Not the forecast of rain, or hundreds of motorcycles heading back from Key West, making Gilbert's a standing room only affair. Transportation logistics tried to throw a wrinkle in the show, but after a 10-hour

drive by Benny Harrison and a member of The Regs, John Popper was waiting to go onstage for the crowd.

Island Rock Entertainment promised a great show, and they didn't disappoint. Local favorites "Colbert" started the show off with a bang, delivering a wide array

of music from classic rock favorites to Limp Bizkit. After a short break, The Regs took the stage and fine-tuned the sound before John performed. The crowd cheered wildly when Popper took the stage, most in disbelief that a rock star of this magnitude was at Gilbert's performing for them, for free nonetheless. Popper-joined the Regs on songs like "Folsom Prison," "Higher Ground," "Imagine," and "Roadhouse Blues." John sang his hits "But Anyway," "Hook," and "Run Around." He also

performed his rousing harmonica rendition of the Star Spangled Banner, to a standing ovation.

Island Rock Entertainment and Gilbert's Resort have worked tirelessly to bring Rock Stars like Joe Lynn Turner, Carmine Appice, Buck Dharma, and John Popper to Gilbert's over the summer. More concerts are being planned for the fall and winter months. Check out Gilbert's facebook page or visit Gilbert's on the web at www.gilbertsresort.com for the entertainment schedule.



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Saturday, October 31st
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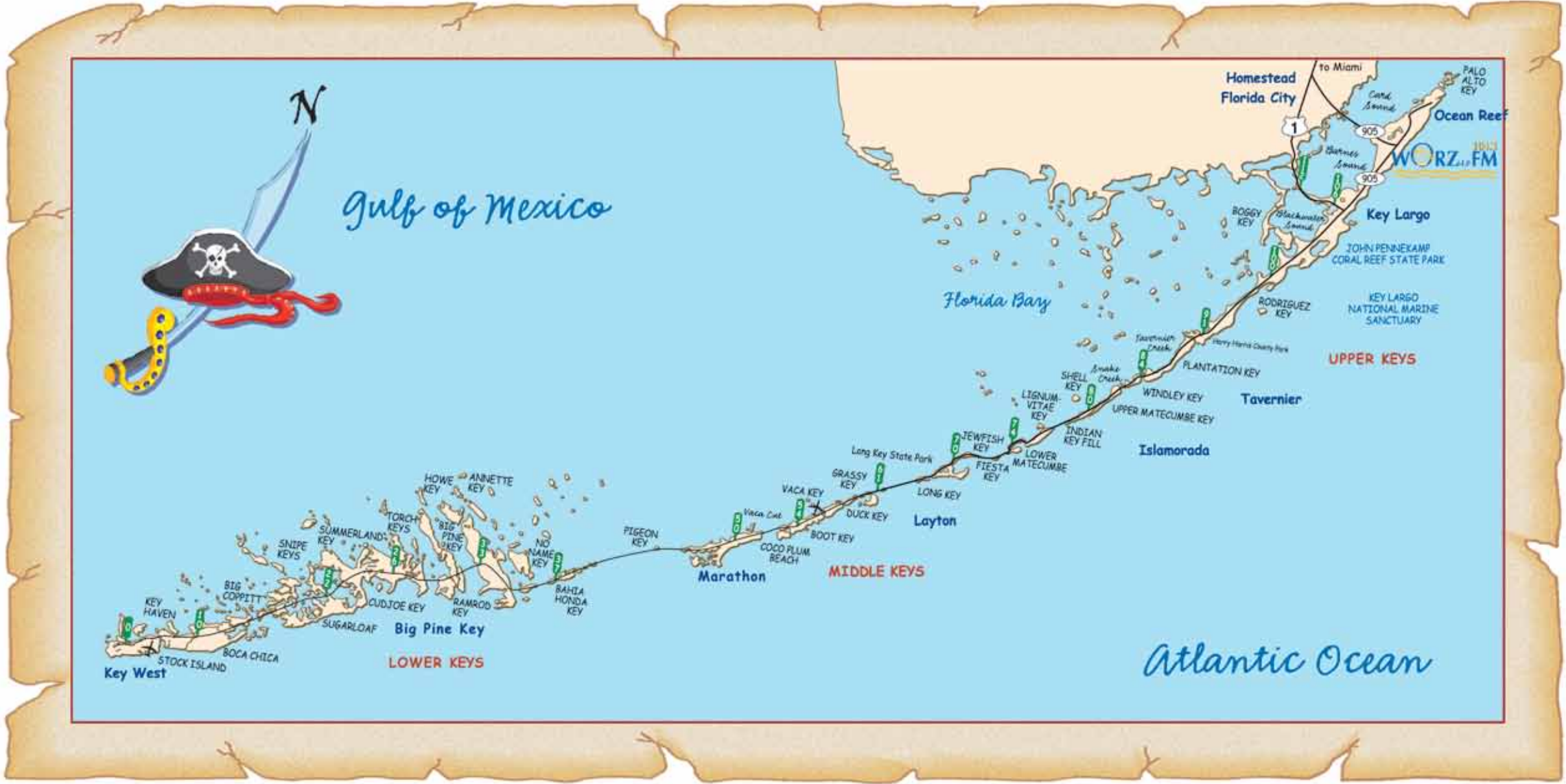
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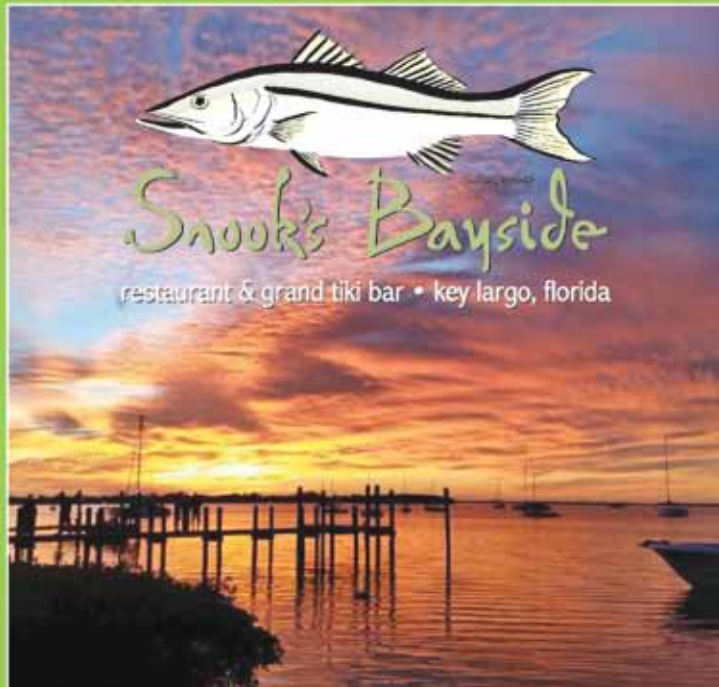
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The Mangrove Galley

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Sandi's recipes are featured monthly in the Coconut Telegraph. For previous issues go to <http://www.theconchtelegraph.com>.



Though we are able to find a large variety of fruits all year long, fall is the time to really enjoy the abundance of apples and pears. Though most dishes I make with these fruits are desserts, they can also compliment a meat dish as well. This recipe is a tasty dish that combines pears with pork. Try it, I promise that you will enjoy it!



PORK CUTLETS WITH GARLIC AND PEARS

- 2 pork cutlets (a boneless pork chop)
- salt & pepper
- 3 1/2 tablespoons unsalted butter, divided
- 1 1/2 tablespoons olive oil
- 1 large ripe pear, cored and thinly sliced
- 1 tablespoon fresh minced thyme (or 1 teaspoon dried)
- 2 garlic cloves, minced
- 3 tablespoons red wine vinegar
- 3/4 cup chicken stock
- 1 tablespoon brandy
- fresh thyme leaves (optional)

Flatten the pork and salt and pepper both sides. Melt 1 1/2 tablespoons of the butter with the olive oil in a sautee pan. Add the pork browning both sides and cook completely. Transfer the pork to a platter covering to keep warm. Add the pear slices to the pan and saute them until they are light brown (about three minutes.) Add the thyme and garlic cooking one minute. Pour in the vinegar deglazing the pan by scraping up the brown bits. Mix in the stock and brandy. Simmer until the sauce is slightly reduced (about 3 minutes). Whisk in the remaining butter then return the cutlets to the pan until heated through. Serve with fresh thyme leaves as a garnish.

Conch Characters



Jack McCormick and Family

Katie, Ann, Jack and Shannon in their shop, Olivemorada. There's a benefit to help with Jack's mounting expenses in his cancer battle, on Sunday, October 4th at the Islander Resort, 2-6pm. If you missed it, you can still give at GoFundMe.com or Community Bank in Tavernier.



Bill Hobee of Thunder Country Radio introduces John Popper at Gilberts in September.



Jessica, one of the lovely bartenders at D-Hookers.



Christie's birthday party at Bayside Grille. She's in the white dress, center, surrounded by friends & family.



Owner/Manager Steve with his family at D-Hookers.

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charging us with its large jaws wide open. "She must have been protecting her nest because she was extremely aggressive. If I had not had my little Beretta Jetfire .25 caliber pistol with me, I would not be here today! "Just one shot to my estranged husband's kneecap was all it took. "The 'gator got him easily and I was able to escape by walking away at a brisk pace. "It's one of the best pistols in my collection! Plus the amount I saved in lawyer's fees was really incredible!"

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Art Box Artist of the Month: Jen Aquia

For over 15 years Jen Aquia has been living in the Keys. For 9 years Jen owned and captained the catamaran snorkel boats Reef Roamer & Quicksilver. Eventually she began pursuing another of her passions by opening a company called Aquaholic Adventures Paddleboard and Kayaks where she rents standup paddle boards and kayaks as well as providing lessons and eco tours. When not out on the water, Jen is an avid artist.

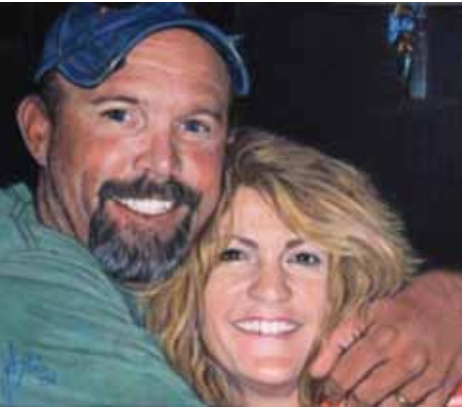
Jen graduated with a Masters of Art from Maryland Institute College of Art in 2000. Her original degree was to be in medical illustration, which focuses on a very realistic approach to drawing. This can easily be seen in her work, which is highly precise with extreme detail. Jen then received an art scholarship to go to Maryland Institute where they only accepted 15 people into the program that year. At the same time

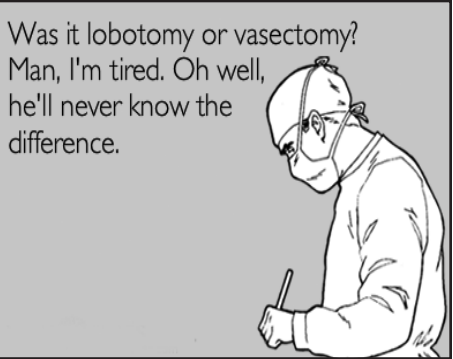


she was offered a scholarship to work at Disney but she chose the masters degree instead. As a young girl, Jen was always referred to as the "artsy" one in the class, all the way back to preschool. Jen painted murals both in her middle and high schools, and painted theater sets in college. Jen is a very compassionate person, and it shows in the various montages she has done. These montages, in pencil or pastel, are created after she spends time getting to know someone and

sharing in the moments of their lives. This helps her form an image that represents the memorable moments. She talks about how it is very emotional to connect with someone while creating a visual compilation. Listening to her describe the genuine feelings involved, you can feel her joy. One of Jen's most notable montages was done for Ellen DeGeneres, the talk show host. It features Ellen and her mother and was given as a Mother's Day gift. Though Jen did not get to see the response Ellen had to

it, an article in the New York Times featured Ellen in her office where the montage hung proudly above her desk. Jen has recently chosen to begin putting even more focus on her art, and will be expanding and branching out. Some of Jen's work will be on display at The Art Box for the month of October. She will also have her work on display at the Morada Way Art Walk on the Third Thursday of October. For more information about Jen, please contact The Art Box or visit her website at japortraits.com.





Beer Can Vasectomy

After their 11th child, a Kentucky couple decided that was enough, as they could not afford a larger bed.

So the husband went to his veterinarian and told him that he and his cousin didn't want to have any more children.

The doctor told him that there was a procedure called a vasectomy that could fix the problem but that it was expensive.

"A less costly alternative," said the doctor, "is to go home, get a cherry bomb, (fireworks are legal in Kentucky) light it, put it in a beer can, then hold the can up to your ear and count to 10."

The Kentuckian said to the doctor, "I may not be the smartest fool in the shed, but I don't see how putting a cherry bomb in a beer can next to my ear is going to help me."

"Trust me," said the doctor.

So the man went home, lit a cherry bomb and put it in a beer can. He held the can up to his ear and began to count!

"1" "2" "3" "4" "5"

At which point he paused, placed the beer can between his legs and continued counting on his other hand.

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Halloween Horror Story

A couple was invited to a swanky costume party. Unfortunately, the wife came down with a terrible headache and told her husband to go to the party alone.

He, being a devoted husband protested, but she argued and said she was going to take some aspirin and go to bed and there was no need for his good time being spoiled by not going.

So he took his costume and away he went. The wife, after sleeping soundly for about an hour, awakened without pain and, as it was still early enough, decided to go to the party.

Since her husband did not know what her costume was, she thought she would have some fun by watching her husband to see how he acted when she was not with him.

She joined the party and soon spotted her husband cavorting around on the dance floor, dancing with every nice woman he could, and copping a little touch here and a little kiss there.

His wife sidled up to him and being a rather seductive babe herself, he left his current partner high and dry and devoted his time to the new babe that had just arrived. She let him go as far as he wished...naturally (since he was her husband).

Finally, he whispered a little proposition in her ear and she agreed. So off they



went to one of the cars and had a quickie.

Just before unmasking at midnight, she slipped away, went home, put the costume away and got into bed, wondering what kind of explanation he would make for his behavior.

She was sitting up reading when he came in, and she asked what kind of a time he had.

He said: "Oh, the same old thing . You know I never have a good time when you're not there."

"Did you dance much?" "You know, I never even danced one dance. When I got there, I met Pete, Trader Dick and some other guys, so we went into the den and played poker all evening. But you're not going to believe what happened to the guy I loaned my costume to."

(Guess who sent this in!)



Women and Home Depot

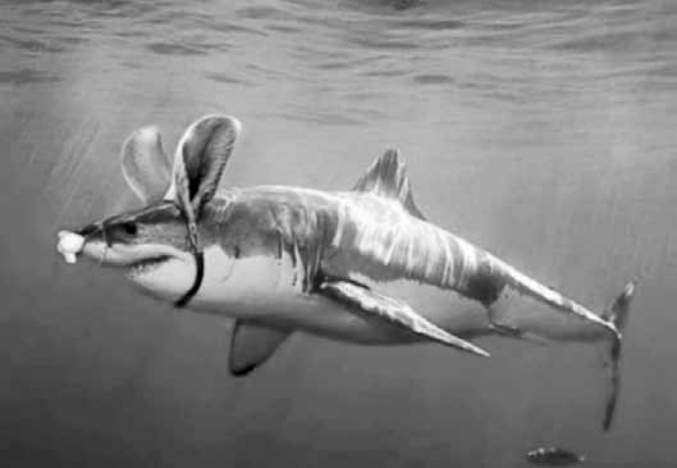
Charlie was installing a new door and found that one of the hinges was missing.

He asked his wife Mary if she would go to Home Depot and pick up a hinge.

Mary agreed to go. While she was waiting for the manager to finish serving a customer, her eye caught a beautiful bathroom faucet. When the manager was finished, Mary asked him, "How much is that faucet?" The manager replied, "That's a gold plated faucet and the price is \$500.00."

Mary exclaimed, "My goodness, that's an expensive faucet and certainly out of my price range!" She then proceeded to describe the hinge that Charlie had sent her to buy.

The manager said that he had them in stock and went into the storeroom to get one. From the storeroom the manager yelled, "Ma'am, you wanna screw for the hinge?"



Everyone loves Halloween.



Mary shouted back, "No, but I will for the faucet."

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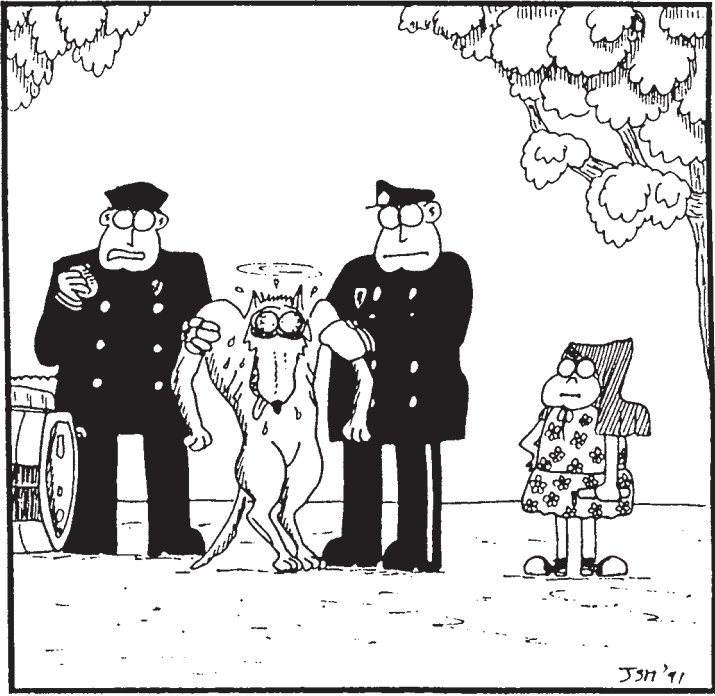
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Iguanas did not ask to be transported here but make life in the Keys AWESOME to animal lovers like me.

We only have cats and dogs and a few other animals in Michigan's cities but we do not advocate CAT HELPER!

I was very disgusted with the article, showed it to our doctor who made a house visit last night and she was also appalled! Please re-consider what you publish. We are permanent residents in Tavernier now going on our 4th year and love your iguanas. Their pictures line our walls along with my underwater photography.

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When we experience any kind of devastating loss, whether it is the loss of a loved one, a dream, or a relationship, feelings may arise within us that are overwhelming or difficult to cope with. This sense of grief can also come up when we are separated from anyone or anything we have welcomed into our lives.

While it may feel like we are caught up in a never-ending spiral of sadness and emptiness, it is important to remember that the grief we are feeling is not a permanent state of being. Rather, grief is part of the process of letting go that in many ways can be a gift, allowing us to go deeper within ourselves to rediscover the light amidst the seeming darkness.

The emotions that accompany any kind of loss can be intense and varied. A sense of shock or denial is often the first reaction, to be replaced by anger. Sometimes this anger can be directed at your loved one for "abandoning" you; at other times you may feel outrage toward the universe for what you are enduring.

While there are stages of grief that people go through - moving from denial to anger to bargaining to depression to acceptance - the cycles of grief often move in spirals, sometimes circling forward and then back again. You may even experience moments of



strength, faith, and laughter in between. While these emotions seem to come and go sporadically, it is important to feel them, accept them, and allow them to flow. With time, patience, and compassion, you will eventually find your center again.

As we move through our grief, we may find ourselves reluctant to release our pain, fearing we are letting go of who or what we have lost. We may even regard our movement toward healing as an act of disloyalty or giving up.

Know that while the hurt may fade, the essence of what you had and who you loved will have already transformed you and forever stay with you. If anything, once you are ready for the pain of your loss to subside, their memories can then live more fully within you.

Remember, healing is a part of the spiraling cycles of grief, and in letting yourself feel restored again, you are surrendering to a natural movement that is part of the dance of life.

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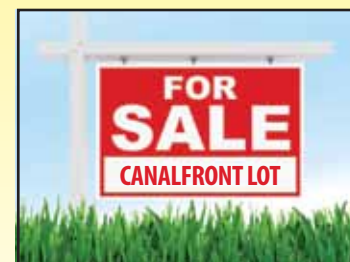
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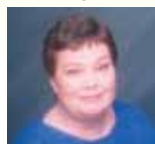


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