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Marshall Walker, owner of H & R Block in Key Largo, told me about a recent scam that has affected many people in the Upper Keys. Someone posing as an IRS agent calls and says that you owe the IRS a sum of money and that you need to pay it now or face serious charges. When you answer the phone,



day when I goof off."

they already have much of your personal information, credit information, family and neighbors' names, etc. They instruct people to use a credit card or to go to the bank and send them the money immediately while they stay on the phone.

H & R Block has gotten many calls from people who have been scammed out of their money. Marshall Walker asked me to let the public know that the IRS would never call you. Walker says "If you receive such a call you should hang up immediately and report it to the Monroe County Sheriff's office. Do not under any circumstances give the scammer any information."

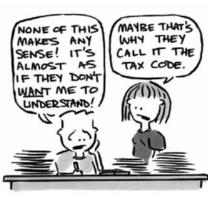
Thank you Mr. Walker.

Disclaimer

Tourist season is here. Keep yourself safe and remember to always lock your car.

Locals - Do not consign your items with anyone who will not give you a contract and a list of your items. If they refuse to give you a list, take your items and leave! If you have antiques, take them to Jacobsen's in Homestead and you will receive a check when your items sell. If you have jewelry, take it to Coral Financial & Pawn at MM 103. Check out their other fine items too.

Boat owners - a friend of mine gave a canvas shop in Key Largo a check for \$1,000 to make him a boat cover 2 years ago and has still not received



Go to a professional, try H&R Block. You'll sleep better!

the product. The creepo canvas guy refuses to answer my friend's calls. Not a surprise. Before you hire someone do a guick investigation on the Monroe County Sheriff's website via Clerk of the Court. How often have they been sued? Ask a local where they got their work done. Go to local marinas and ask who has the best reputation and provides quality workmanship.





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