

# Our Favorite Local Halloween Characters



Gremlins at Gilberts



Gilbert's manager Rob rocks out as Igor of the Red Elvies



The finalists of the Gilbert's Resort Halloween costume contest  
The winner received \$500 cash!



Dr. Shots and Nurse Lotta Shots at Gilberts



Can you guess which owner of Sharkeys this is?



Alice in Wonderland at the Big Chill



Amanda & Shauna@ Big Chill



Halloweeners at Gilberts



Winner of Gilberts contest : mermaid and octopus!



Patty rockin' the cat suit at Sharkeys



Nurse Lotta Shots and Michael Trixx at Gilberts

## Bravery

Three generals, one from the Army, another from the Marines, and a third from the Air Force, were having a debate with a Navy Admiral about whose soldiers were the bravest.

To prove his point, the Air Force general calls over an airman. "Airman! Climb that flagpole, and once you are at the top, sing 'Wild Blue Yonder', and then jump off!"

"YES SIR!" replies the airman. He takes off for the flagpole like a shot, scales up it, sings the anthem, salutes and jumps off, hitting the ground at attention.

The general dismisses him. "Now that's bravery!" exclaims the general. "Ah, that's nothing" says the Admiral. "Seaman!" A seaman appears.

"YES, SIR!!" "Take this weapon!" as he offers him an M14. "Scale that flagpole, balance yourself on top, stand at attention, present arms, and sing 'Anchors Aweigh.' Salute each of us, and jump off."

"YES SIR!" replies the seaman. He sprints for the flagpole with the weapon high over his head, and completes the task perfectly.

"Now that's courage!" says the admiral.

"You want courage!?" snorts the Army general. "Get over here, private!"

"YES SIR!" replies the private. "Put on full combat gear, load your rucksack with these rocks, scale that flagpole, come to attention, present arms, and sing the National Anthem, salute each of us, and then climb back down, head first!" "YES SIR!!" replies the private, and completes the task.

"Now that is a brave man! Beat that!!"

They all look to the Marine. "Private," he says.

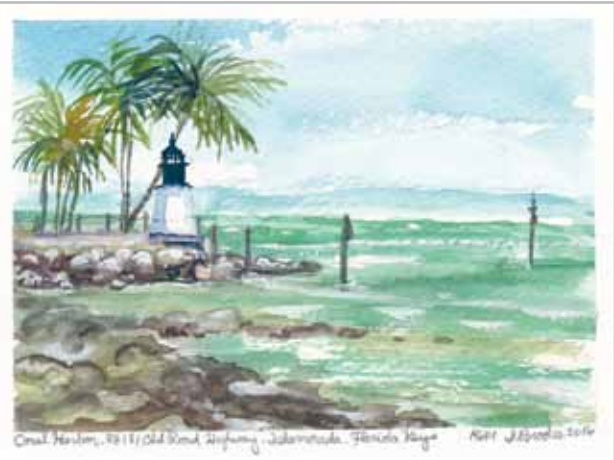
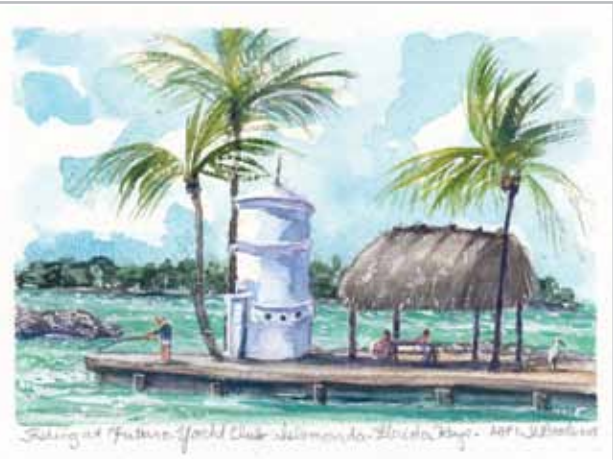
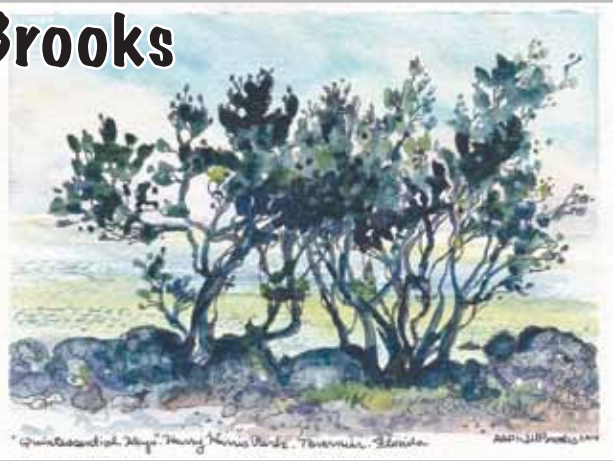
"YES SIR!" "Put on full combat gear. Put these two dogs in your pack. Using only one hand, climb that flagpole. At the top, sing 'The Halls of Montezuma', put your knife in your teeth, and dive off, headfirst."

The private snaps to attention, looks at the general and says, "GO TO HELL, SIR!"

The general turns to the others and says, "Now THAT'S bravery!"

Don't forget the Marine Corps Birthday Party Thursday November 10th at 6 PM at the American Legion - Everyone welcome.

## Artist of the Month: Ingrid Brooks



Longtime snowbird Ingrid Brooks is a regional tourism landscape watercolorist. Her small watercolors depict scenes of local interest, rendered in quick, impressionistic style accentuated with ink or pencil.

A prolific and award-winning international artist, she is the current President of the Art Guild of the Purple Isles (www.agpi.us), a long-established, non-profit art guild in the Upper Florida Keys. An AGPI Board Member since 2012, she has been awarded ribbons at their annual juried member art shows, the "Birds in Nature" Joe Cella Memorial art shows,

and in other international art events.

At Islamorada's 2016 second annual Paradise Paintout Ingrid placed first in the Enthusiast Division, a plein air event that is open to public participation.

With a degree in art history, a background in outdoor advertising, and practical art education through various guild workshops, Ingrid is primarily a self-taught artist. For her, the beauty of painting outside in the Florida Keys is the illumination of the subject in brilliant sunlight often not captured in gloomy northern climes.

Ingrid's collection of plein air watercolors currently displayed at the Art Box in Key Largo were created on AGPI Member Plein Air Days at various scheduled paintouts in the Upper Florida Keys.

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Ingrid Brooks with ribbons from Art Guild of the Purple Isles' annual show.