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We welcome the iconic Lorelei Restaurant and Cabana Bar to our roster of advertisers this month! New manager Rob LeBrun has lots of great entertainment lined up, plus there's outstanding food, happy hour specials, a daily sunset celebration, magic by Michael Trixx, fishing guides for hire, and even "Sunday School." (See their ad for more info, page 3).

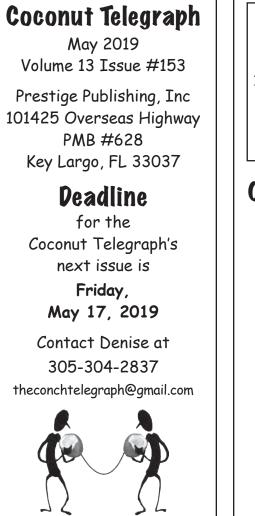


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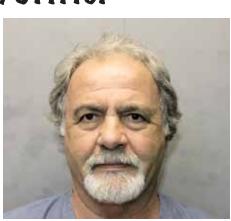
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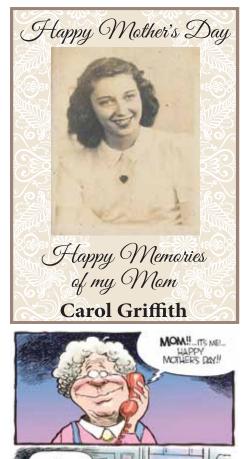
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A couple of years ago I met Monte Mount at a locals bar. He was playing the juke box and telling folks he was a musician and was in the band Tommy James and the Shondells. I was impressed and asked him a few questions thinking it would make a great article. He seemed very knowledgeable about the band but something didn't set right with me. He was playing air guitar to the music. My guitarist friends don't do that. He also showed me photos of antique motorcycles he claimed to have. So I went home and did some research. Mr. Mount had just got out of 4 years in prison in California for theft and there was no record anywhere of him ever being a "Shondell". I notified a friend that is a police officer. I mentioned it to some of my friends who had also met him. Within days of that he had conned



some friends out of hundreds of dollars. He sold them a motorcycle from one of his photos. He had every excuse under the sun why the motorcycle had not been delivered to them. Finally they filed a police report and conman Mount was arrested and spent time in the Key West jail. He was eventually released and wouldn't you know it, he ripped off another one of my friends and was arrested again in Key Largo! Please beware of this man because he is a career criminal.

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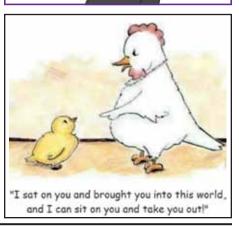
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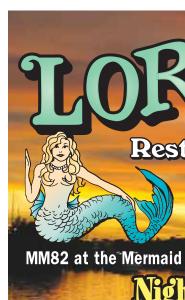
MOMMA KNOWS BEST- HA!

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The Coconut Telegraph's Islamorada Treasure Map is Coming!



Pilot House Restaurant:

As seen on Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives

on Food Network!!

Episode: "Succulent Sandwiches"

cheesesteak and off-the-chain chicken. In Modesto, Calif., a

funky food truck putting pastrami on pretzel bread and

Florida, a seafood staple servin' up a sandwich that's

cooking pulled pork in root beer. And in Key Largo,

become a local legend. (Episode: DV2407H)

This trip, Guy Fieri's diggin' into succulent sandwiches!

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The History of Memorial Day

Memorial Day was first widely observed in May 1868. The celebration commemorated the sacrifices of the Civil War and the proclamation was made by General John A Logan. Following the proclamation, participants decorated graves of more than 20,000 Union and Confederate soldiers.

In the years since World War 1, the day has become a celebration of honor for those who died in all America's wars, as well as those who are Veterans and current members of the US military.

In 1971, Memorial Day was declared a national holiday. The United States celebrates this holiday the last Monday of May.

President Ronald Reagan is credited with reviving the practice of honoring Memo-

rial Day and its meaning. One of his famous speeches was given at Arlington National Cemetery on Memorial Day in 1986. It begins...

"Today is the day we put aside to remember fallen heroes and to pray that no heroes will ever have to die for us again. It's a day of thanks for the valor of others, a day to remember the splendor of America and those of her children who rest in this cemetery and others. It's a day to be with the family and remember."

He went on to talk about those buried in Arlington Cemetery - military personnel both famous and unknown, Joe Louis, Audie Murphie, two space shuttle Challenger astronauts, Oliver Wendell Holmes, and so many more. He went on to say...

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"All of these men were different, but they shared this in common: They loved America very much; they stood for something.

Look up the full speech, it was a great one.

Does Memorial Day have meaning to you? Many communities around the United States have memorial day events at cemeteries where veterans and spiritual leaders speak. Other cities and towns host parades to honor the military. However, in many cities around the country, these events have been forgotten.

It is important for Americans to take time to remember the sacrifices that bought their freedom. Here are some ideas on how to celebrate this important American holiday:

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- Send a note or verbally thank Veterans you know.
- · If you know someone who has lost a loved one in battle, offer to help with a household project or help meet a special need they have.
- Visit a local cemetery and place flags or flowers on the graves of fallen soldiers.
- Visit local monuments to miliary service.
- Fly the American flag at half-staff until noon.
- Participate in the National Moment of Remembrance at 3:00 pm. Pause and think upon the meaning of Memorial Day.
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Key Largo Moose.





Bartender of the Month: Kitty Stuer - Tavernier Elks Lodge and Key Largo Moose

When it comes to mixologists you'll be hard pressed to find anyone with as impressive a work history as that of Kitty Stuer (pronounced Star)! For 13 years she was a flight attendant, based out of Ft. Lauderdale, working for Northwest and Jet Blue Airlines. Along with her experience

working special VIP events, she has literally mixed cocktails in the air, and on a vacht in the middle of the ocean. entertaining the rich and famous.

The Coconut Telegraph discovered Kitty when she volunteered to help the Key Largo Moose with their Cruise to Nowhere Party. She brought friends in to help, plus decorations... and in no time at all this whirlwind extraordinaire had turned the plain banquet table into a stunning display of delectable delights! We were impressed and truly grateful!

Kitty has been living in the Keys for 6 years. Perhaps you know her from Holiday Isle, Wahoo's or the Islamorada Moose Lodge. She was recently offered a bartending position at the Key Largo Moose and she also works at the Tavernier Elks Lodge. She loves both of these organizations because of the people and the amazing things these non-profits do for the community as well as the projects they support.



Tavernier Elks Lodge.

When Kitty is not behind the bar entertaining folks she is outside enjoying the ocean or helping a friend with their landscaping. She brings her enthusiam and energy to everything she does

Stop in either place and meet Kitty; tell her the Coconut Telegraph sent you.





For Mother's Day: A Few Important Rules To Teach Your Daughter



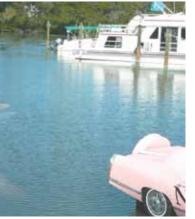
 Travel light through life. Keep only what you need.

- It's okay to cry when you're hurt. It's also okay to smash (some) things; but, wash your face, clean your mess, and get up off the floor when you're done. You don't belong down there.
- If you're going to curse, be clever. If you're going to curse in public, know your

- Seek out the people and places that resonate with your soul.
- Just because you can, doesn't mean you should.
- 5-second rule. It's just dirt. There are worse things in a fast food cheeseburger.
- You are a woman, you do not need a man!
- · Happiness is not a permanent state. Wholeness is. Don't confuse these.
- Never walk through an alley alone.
- Be less sugar, more spice, and only as nice as you're able to without compromising yourself.
- Hold your heroes to a high standard. Be your own hero.
- If you can't smile with your eyes, don't smile. Insincerity is nothing to aspire to.

- Never lie to yourself.
- Your body, your rules.
- If you have an opinion, you better know why.
- Practice your passions.
- Ask for what you want. The worst thing they can say is no.
- · Wish on stars and dandelions, then get to work to make them happen.
- Can't is a cop-out.
- Fall in love often. Particularly with ideas, art, music, literature, food and far-off places.
- Fall hard and forever in love with nothing but yourself.
- · Say Please, Thank You, and Pardon Me, whenever the situation warrants it.
- Reserve "I'm sorry" for when you truly are.
- Naps are for grown-ups, too.

Around Town



Manatee sightings are common at the Lorelei marina. Photo by Rob LeBrun.



Blessing Box located by the bus stop at First Baptist Church of Key Largo at MM 99 on the Oceanside.



Pirates Cove Watersports cruising with dolphins



What a view! Gilbert's Resort.

- · Question everything, except your own intuition.
- You have enough. You are enough.
- · You are amazing! Don't let anyone ever make you feel you are not. If someone does....walk away. You deserve better.
- No matter where you are, you can always come home.
- Be happy and remember your roots, family is EVERY-THING.
- · Say what you mean and mean what you say.
- No one will ever love you more than I do.
- Be kind; treat others how you would like them to treat you.
- If in doubt, remember whose daughter you are and straighten your crown.



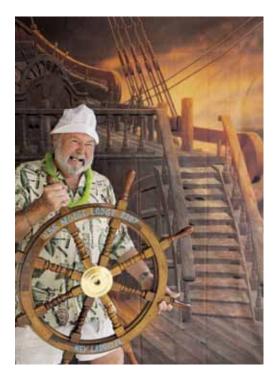
A snowy egret enjoys the sunset at the Lorelei. Photo by Rob LeBrun.

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Conch Characters-



Arr! Bill Wilson took the Cruise to Nowhere at the Moose.



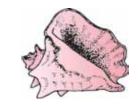


Walgreens executives celebrate Lynn Miller's 25 years employment with lunch at Sundowners. L to R - Georgia Lehowski, Alex Palermo, Lynn Miller, Charity Randolph, Mario Hernandez, Jessica Pineda.





Bon Voyage! Bonnie Lenart took the Cruise to Nowhere at the Moose.



Coast Guard Commanding Officer Scott Goss and Executive Petty Officer Jonathan Harrington presenting a "thank you" gift/award to Cale Smith (a former Coastie) for passing the hat at the Islamorada Chamber luncheon and raising thousands of dollars for our local Coast Guard during the Federal shut down.



Michael Trixx with Magician Teller of Penn & Teller. Catch Michael Trixx's magic at Lorelei every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at the Lorelei at sunset.



Local ladies lunch at the Conch House.



Dennis Tarbell, Exalted Ruler presents Ruth Hunninger with the Elk of the Year award. Congrats!

Blasts from the Past - Photos from our Archives:



January 2015: Pirates on the Water had a get together at the Legion to paint toilet seats to be placed on Toilet Seat Row on the bay. Bill Nally holds the Coconut Telegraph toilet seat.



November 2014: A capacity crowd enjoying themselves at the Elks Lodge in Tavernier.







Lorelei's Outstanding Headliners in May

Nothing gets a party started like dancing, and people love dancing to songs they know. WRITE SOUNDS is so much more than just another cover band. They play the hits with authenticity and passion. They possess the ability to play everything from Classic Rock and Jazz, to Hip-Hop and R&B from the 1950s to today. Write Sounds creates a fun performance with their sounds and harmonies, which include mellow vocals, rhythmic guitar and smooth saxophone. Julian and Rodrigo Medeiros are the frontmen of the band, and have worked with some famous musicians like Shakira, Stevie Wonder, Snoop Dogg, and Pharrell. Their song "If I knew" on Eddie Murphy's "Dr Doolittle 2" soundtrack got a Grammy nomination. You can see Write Sounds at the Lorelei on Saturday, May 4th at 6pm.

ROGUE THEORY is a very unique South Florida band. Harry Bayron is the lead singer and electric violin player, who transforms Rock and Classic Rock favorites into fresh, new rockin' fiddle versions that you've never heard before. Imagine hearing classics from Stevie Wonder, The Beatles, Santana, Peter Frampton, and Jimi Hendrix, but with a jamming' electric violin! They also transform modern hits from Dave Mathews, Avici, Imagine Dragons, and Shawn Mendes. Roque Theory writes original music, and the band was recently featured in the world famous "Relix" magazine for their most recent hit "Two 3rds." Top that off with a "Best Band" in Broward County award by New Times Magazine, and you know that Rogue Theory rocks. The band has a very busy national touring schedule, and the Lorelei is thrilled to have them performing on Saturday, May 18 at 6pm.

MAJESTY OF ROCK is a megatalented group of musicians who banded together to faithfully recreate the sound and feel of the two super groups: Journey and Styx. Fronted by the masterful voice of John D'Agostino, this band also boasts the talents of four exceptional artists who not only capture every nuance of Journey in their iconic Steve Perry days, but also the vocal essence of Dennis DeYoung and Tommy Shaw of Styx. Majesty of Rock makes their triumphant return to Lorelei on Saturday May 25th at 6pm.

So come on down to the Lorelei and enjoy the best music, along with cocktails and dinner on the beach or overlooking the bay. MM 82 bayside in Islamorada. Open 7 days.

The Mangrove Galley by Sandi Mieszczenski

Here is a quick and easy Mexican style dish for Cinco de Mayo that is a one-pot wonder.

Sandi's recipes are featured here monthly. For previous issues go to the conchrelegraph.com

- SIMPLE CINCO DE MAYO ONE-POT WONDER
- $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. chorizo skin removed, finely chopped
- 1 15 oz. can of black beans drained

1 can of Rotel diced tomatoes choose your preference of heat

1 large onion coarsely chopped

- 1 cup of frozen corn
- 1 Tbsp. of cumin
- $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp. of cayenne pepper
- 2 cups of grated Cheddar cheese



Brown the chorizo in a sauté pan, drain the excess fat and set aside. In the same pan, sweat the onions until just starting to get soft, then add the black beans, Rotel tomatoes, and corn. Bring to a boil, reduce the heat and simmer until the mixture starts to thicken. Add the chorizo, cumin and cayenne and thoroughly mix. Simmer until the meat is hot and serve with the cheese in shells as tacos or wrapped up as burritos. We like ours with a dollop of sour cream on top. Enjoy!

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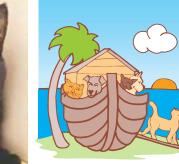


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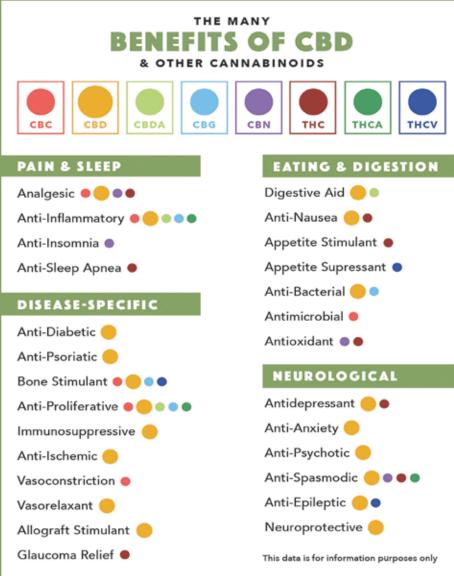
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Sounds of the Keys

or & Red Elvises at the Lorelei....see them again Oct. 29th.

he new covered stage at the American Legion, great for the Thursday night jam!



#NoFilter rocked the Lorelei stage. Photo by Rob LeBrun



Chain Reaction" the Journey tribute band, will erform again at the Lorelei on Saturday May 25th.



The Key Largo Woodrats.



Mr. Styx and the Spurience at Sharkey's Pub.

MUM

Missing you on Mother's Day but that is nothing new. I miss you every single day and long to be with you. I miss our conversations, the way you made me smile. I miss all the little things in life that now just don't fee! worthwhile. I know you are watching over me, and all my family too. Mum I just want you to know that we'll never stop loving you.



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For example, we may meet someone new and suppress a negative feeling about them, thinking that we don't want to fall into the trap of being judgmental. Later, though, it may turn out that paying attention to that thought could have helped us take care of ourselves or someone else.



Judgment Versus Opinion

Judgment closes us down and is final, whereas opinion leaves us open-hearted and open to change.

Most of us understand that when we judge someone, or someone judges us, it is a negative emotional experience. As a result, we naturally want to avoid being judgmental, but this gets confusing when we feel we have to suppress thoughts that could actually be offering us guidance.

It is important to learn to distinguish inner guidance, and having an opinion, from judgment otherwise we run the risk of not listening to our intuition and not allowing ourselves to form opinions. Inner guidance and opinions both help us to interact more intelligently in the world, so we don't want to throw them out in an effort to avoid being judgmental. Our intuition usually makes itself known to us in a flash, and often has a physical component--a flutter in our stomachs, sweaty palms, or a

chill. When we use this information to help us navigate a situation, we always benefit.

Similarly, having an opinion about a person or an idea allows us to converse about it in a focused way with intention. Listening to our intuition and forming opinions are both positive outcomes of our ability to interpret the information that comes our way.

When we make a judgment, on the other hand, we attempt to have a final say on whether someone or something is inherently good or bad. Judgments close us down instead of opening us up; opinions have a lighter quality and are amenable to change. Once a judgment has been made. there is no more conversation or consideration. whereas opinions invite further debate. Intuition guides us from moment to moment, but, unlike judgment, never makes a final decree. In other words, it is only healthy to be open to the information we receive and to allow ourselves to process that information. As long as we stay open and fluid, we can trust that we have not fallen prey to the trap of judgment.

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Rest in Peace

The Tea Party

One day my mother was out and my dad was in charge of me. I was maybe two and a half years

old and had just recovered from an accident

Someone had given me a little tea set as a get-well gift and it was one of my favorite toys.

Daddy was in the living room engrossed in the evening news when I brought him a "little cup of tea," which was just water.

After several cups of tea and lots of praise for such yummy tea, my mom



came home. Mу dad made her wait in the living room to watch me bring him a cup of

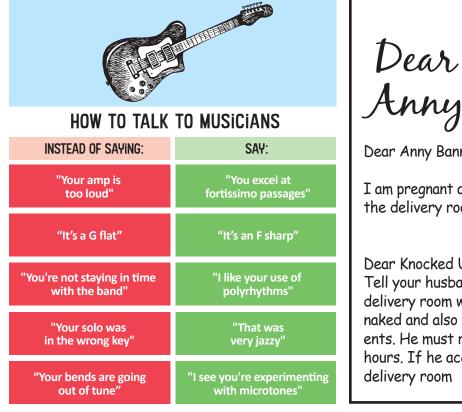
tea, because it was "just the cutest thing!"

My mom waited, and sure enough, I walked down the hall with a cup of tea for Daddy and she watched him carefully as he drank it up.

Then she said, as only a mother would know, "Did it ever occur to you that the only place that your daughter can reach to get water is the toilet?"



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Personal Struggle

by Dawn Wiggins, Ed.S.

Deep personal struggle has a way of making us feel utterly alone ... even when we're not alone. Why is that?! Because I assure you, you're not meant to be alone. Your brain and body have been designed for partnership, community, and connection.

And the folks in your tribe are meant to support you in times of struggle. They make it easier to walk through. Whether it's to sit with you in grief, hear you vent for the thousandth time or pick your kids up from the car line when you can't make it - you need a community.

You're also meant to have guides. And, to be a guide for others! We all have areas of expertise we are meant to share with the world. The partnerships we share are what allows relationships and communities to survive and thrive.

So why then does personal struggle feel so heavy? Is it because it's personal? No.

It's because you're afraid. So afraid, that you fear you can not or will not overcome this strugale.

Sure, you may need a more loving and supportive community. And you probably

I love people who make me laugh. who make me think, and who make me coffee...

Not necessarily in that order.



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need some extra guidance. But none of that will make a dent in your struggle if you don't do something productive with your fear.

I'm not knocking fear. It keeps us alive in times of danger and motivates us to take action. But if you allow your fear to tell you: You can't, then you won't. And, you will continue to feel alone and a victim to your struggle.

Want to change your life? Decide, You, Can. The fear will still be there, but you won't be its victim. And suddenly you will feel empowered. Ready to take action.

> Starbucks is planning on selling beer and wine.

Apparently it's getting difficult to sell sober people a \$12 cup of coffee.

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Wife's Diary:

Tonight I thought Bob was acting weird. We had made plans to meet at a nice restaurant for dinner. I was shopping with my friends all day long and I was a little late for our date. Conversation wasn't flowing, so I thought he was upset at the fact that I was late, but he made no comment on it.

I suggested that we go somewhere quiet so we could talk. He agreed, but he didn't say much. I asked him what was wrong. He said nothing. I asked him if it was my fault that he was upset. He said he wasn't upset, but that it had nothing to do with me and not to worry about it. On the way home, I told him that I loved him. He smiled slightly and kept driving.

I can't explain his behavior. I don't know why he didn't say I love you too. When we got home I felt as if I had lost him completely, as if he wanted nothing to do with me anymore. He just sat there quietly and watched TV. He continued to seem distant and absent, and finally with silence all around us I decided to go to bed. About 15 minutes later he came to bed but I still felt that he was distracted and his thoughts were somewhere else.

He fell asleep - I cried. I don't know what to do. I'm almost sure that his thoughts are with someone else. My life is over. Husband's diary:

Boat wouldn't start, can't figure it out.

I used to play the triangle in a reggae band but left because it was just one ting after another.

FOUR GREAT RELIGIOUS TRUTHS

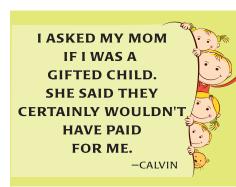
Muslims don't recognize Jews as God's chosen people

Jews don't recognize Jesus as the Messiah

Protestants don't recognize the Pope as the leader of the Christian world

Baptists don't recognize each other at Hooters

Coco'Nut' Funnies



Scientists studying the effect of cannabis on seabirds 👼 have left no tern 7 unstoned.



WHOSE BLOOD IS THIS? WHERE DID YOU GET IT?

CARA SO WHY MUST I PROVE THAT IAM ME WHEN I PAY BILLS **OVER THE PHONE? DID SOMEONE ELSE CALL** TO PAY MY BILLS? AND IF THEY DID, WHY DON'T YOU LET THEM?



Students in an advanced Biology class were taking their mid-term exam. The last question was, 'Name seven advantages of Mother's Milk. The question was worth 70 points or none at all. One student was hard put to think of seven advantages. He wrote:

1) It is perfect formula for the child.

2) It provides immunity against several diseases.

3) It is always the right temperature.

4) It is inexpensive.

5) It bonds the child to mother and vice versa.

6) It is always available as needed.

And then the student was stuck. Finally, in desperation, just before the bell rang indicating the end of the test he wrote:

7) It comes in two attractive containers and it's high enough off the ground where the cat can't get it. *He got an A.*



A husband walks into Victoria's Secret to purchase a sheer negligee for his wife. He is shown several possibilities that range from \$250 to \$500 in price -- the sheerer, the higher the price. Naturally, he

opts for the sheerest item, pays the \$500, and takes it home. He presents it to his wife and asks her to go upstairs, put it on, and model it for him.

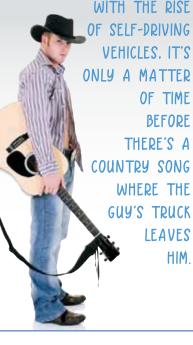
Upstairs the wife thinks (she's no dummy), 'I have an idea. It's so sheer that it might as well be nothing. I won't put it on, but I'll do the modeling naked, return it tomorrow, and keep the \$500 refund for myself.

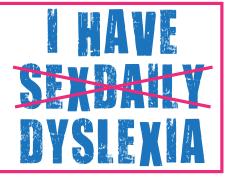
She appears naked on the balconv and strikes a pose.

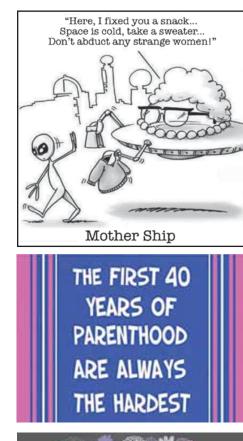
The husband says, 'Good Grief! You'd think for \$500, they'd at least iron itl'

He never heard the shot. Funeral on Thursday at noon .Closed coffin.















Vaping is weird. You walk past a bunch of hard asses outside a bar and they all smell like strawberry muffins.

"Ewww....put those back."

A man in a hot air balloon realized he was lost. He reduced altitude and spotted a woman below. He descended a bit more and shouted, "Excuse me, can you help me? I promised a friend I would meet him an hour ago, but I don't know where I am."

The woman below replied, "You're in a hot air balloon hovering approximately 30 feet above the ground. You're between 59° and 60° north latitude and between 107° and 108° west longitude."

"You must be an engineer," said the balloon-

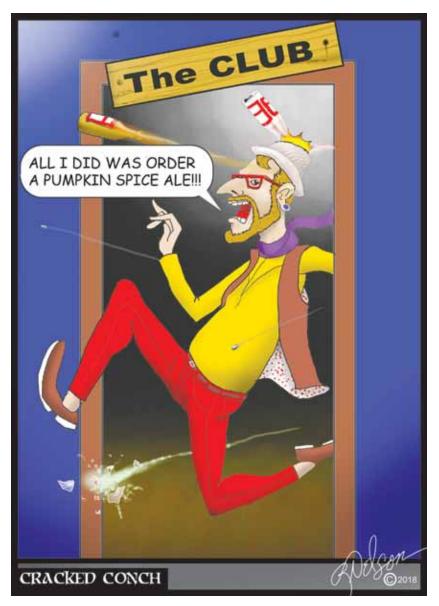
"I am," replied the woman, "How did you know?"

"Well," answered the balloonist, "everything you told me is technically correct, but I've no idea what to make of your information, and the fact is I'm still lost. Frankly, you've not been much help at all. If anything, you've delayed my trip."

The woman responded, "You must be a politician."

"I am," replied the balloonist, "but how did you know?"

"Well," said the woman, "you don't know where you are or where you're going. You have risen to where you are due to a large quantity of hot air. You made a promise, which you've no idea how to keep, and you expect people beneath you to solve your problems. The fact is you are in exactly the same position you were in before we met, but now, somehow, it's my fault."



ABOUT THE CARTOONIST, RODNEY NELSON: After coming to the Keys many times, he moved here in 1969 at age 11. He tried different jobs before becoming a full-time artist in his late twenties. He enjoys the versatility it requires to survive as an artist in such a small community, and does airbrushing to glass etching; cartoons to fine art.



SOMEWHERE AT AMAZON

I'm fat, but I identify as skinny. I'm trans-slender.

If we ever travel far in the universe to another planet with intelligent life, let's just make patterns in their crops and leave.

A police officer pulled over a driver and informed him that, because he was wearing his seat belt, he had just won \$1,000 in a safety competition.

"What are you going to do with the prize money?" the officer asked.

The man responded, "I guess I'll go to driving school and get my license."

At that moment, his wife, who was seated next to him, chimed in, Officer, don't listen to him. He's a smart ass when he's drunk.'

This woke up the guy in the back seat, who, when he saw the cop, blurted out, "I knew we wouldn't get far in this stolen car."

At that moment, there was a knock from the trunk and a voice asked "Are we over the border vet?"





STEREOTOMY Sunday, May 5 1-6pm



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Sunday, May 12 1-6pm



ROGUE THEORY Sunday, May 19 1-6pm MOJO SCOUNDRELS Sunday, May 26 6-10pm





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