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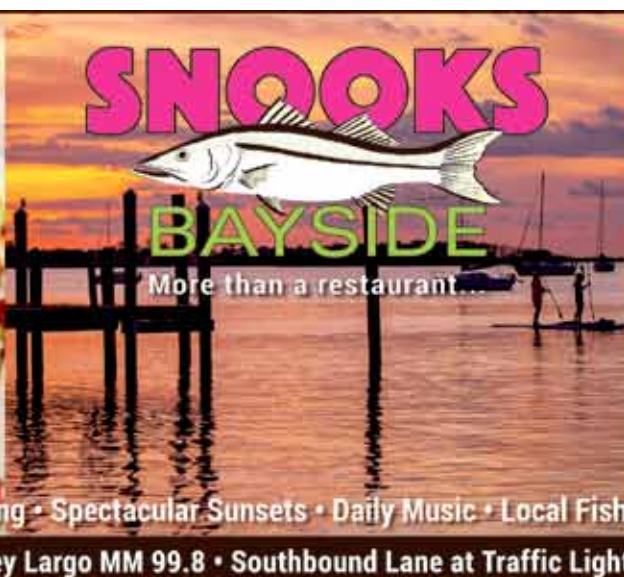

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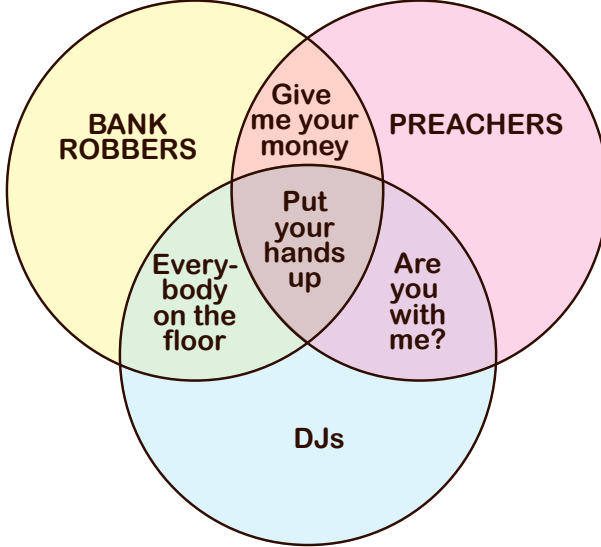
For those who want to close the Keys to visitors: You have probably never owned your own business and never will. Thousands of businesses here and across the country have closed their doors forever due to Covid 19 and loss of revenue.

Imagine the Keys with no restaurants or hotels. You leave your house in the morning and where do you go? Nowhere, that's where. Your job is gone, you can't go out to eat or join friends at a bar because there aren't any, they are all closed down. You can't afford your rent and you face eviction, or your house is in foreclosure and your deed isn't worth the paper its printed on. Derelict boats will find new use as housing. Your cell phone has been turned off along with

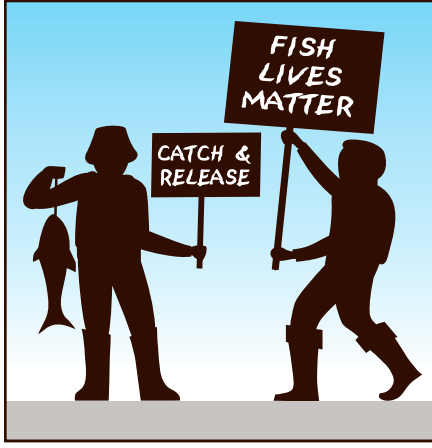
cable tv and internet service. You can't afford to run the air conditioner because your electricity is about to be shut off.

Fewer people living here means taxes are going to go up. Your police are defunded and crime is rampant. Garbage collection is a thing of the past and our waters are polluted. Your car is busted and your mechanic moved out of the state. You must hitchhike to leave the county, just to wait in long lines in Miami to get health care. But wait! The good news is you may be eligible for food stamps...but the grocery store shelves are bare. Iguanas don't taste so bad after all. You can't afford to become an alcoholic and it's nearly impossible to grow weed on pea rock. Think again or thank a democrat.

Now this is a useful Venn diagram.



Question for my essential oil friends. Which oil calms housebound family members down? Chloroform? It's chloroform, isn't it?



Everyday COVID check.

At 7 p.m. open the whiskey bottle and **smell it.** if you can smell, you are not affected . then pour it in in a glass ... **Taste it.** if you can feel the taste, you are definitely not affected.

Dr Johnny Walker

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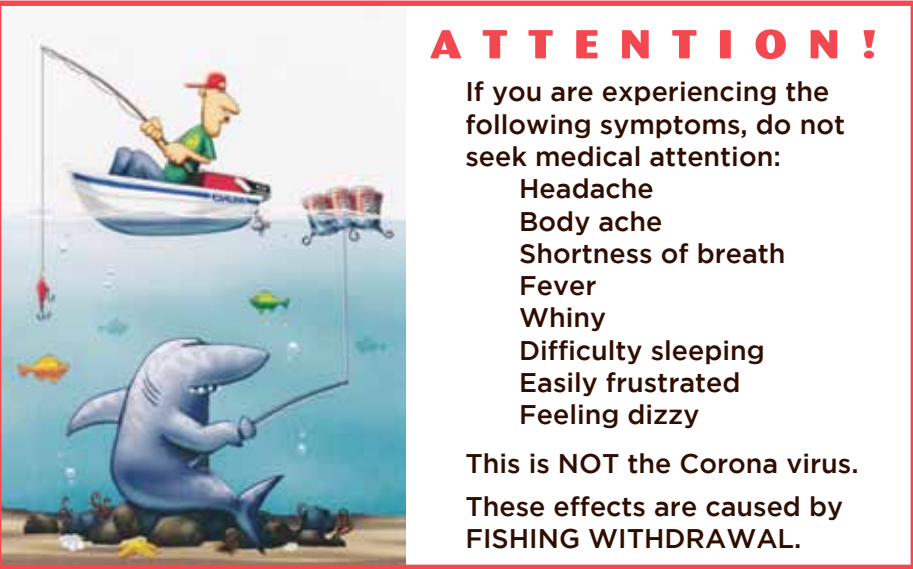
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## Conch Captain Spotlight on Captain Chan of Gulfstream Party Boat Fishing Charters Fins to the Left, Fins to the Right...

by Marilee Free

For over 20 years, Captain Chan (Chandler Warner) has been the owner, operator and charter boat captain aboard the Gulfstream Party Fishing Boat. Living the dream as a successful fishing guide began when he moved to the Keys in 1985. He credits his many mentors, including Captain Slate. And Chan gives thanks to his crew mates, who work hard together to make fond fishing memories on the high seas.

Most of Capt. Chan's patrons are also his friends. They plan their time in the Keys around fishing on the Gulfstream and have chartered with him for decades.

Captain Chan is a member of the Upper Keys Fishing Guides Association. He routinely passes his Coast Guard inspections, keeps his captain's license current and his boat running smoothly.

When I asked him what he would say to youngsters who aspire to be boat captains, he replied, "Be ready for some hard work!" He also mentioned that millennials have social media for a marketing tool. In his early days, advertising was all by word of mouth, family and friends recommending more friends and family. He built his reputation as an experienced fishing 'Local Conch,' off the beaten path,

he is a weatherman, (he told me it was going to rain hard in about 3 minutes and it sure did!), a concierge, a marine mechanic, a mentor to his mates, and a Dad. His son, Jon, is in the Air Force, stationed in Guam. Jon trains canines for the military and has one proud father.

In a normal year, Captain Chan would enjoy spending the summer with his girlfriend Vickie, in Alaska, fishing for salmon and hunting caribou in the 'outside air conditioning' of this great wilderness. He has made many friends traveling there over the years. Once he met a prospector who helped him to pan for gold and showed him his secret fishing spot.

But this was no normal year at all! In August 2019, Chan had triple-bypass surgery. He gives great credit and thanks to all the doctors and nurses at University of Miami Cardiac Unit and all the healthcare professionals who got him back on his sea legs. After 6 months of rehab, he started fishing charters again in February 2020. Then the coronavirus shut down happened in March. He handled both situations with positivity and productivity and made the most of his downtime. He didn't even run out of toilet paper!

Currently, he is going above and beyond the CDC regulations, by limiting his trips to 20 people, down from 49. He requires masks, provides hand sanitizer and bleach water to keep everyone safe. The Gulf-

stream Party Boat is a 65' vessel with room for everyone to keep their distance. He even has personalized buffs with a logo and picture of the boat available. Moving forward, he says to move slowly and safely, take one day at a time, realize that everyone has a different struggle, and to simply, be kind.

Hailing from Asheville, NC, Chan joined the Navy after high school and saw much of the world by ship. The first time he fished in the Keys was 1975. He marveled at the beautiful waters and bountiful fish that surrounded this island chain. He drove on the 'Old Road' before the Overseas Highway and the new bridges were constructed. He has watched the fishing industry grow faster than the fish, turtle and conch can regrow and repopulate. He remembers thinking, "the fish have no chance," when fish finder technology came about.

When Chan and Vickie took a drive to Key West in May, he said how surreal it felt to see everything closed and very few cars on the road. Almost like a flashback to 1975!

Ready to catch some fish? Let Key Largo Legend Captain Chan show you around his favorite spots. Visit Gulfstream Party Boat on Facebook and call 305-451-9788 for rates and availability.



With kindness that overflows, he makes more friends on every trip. While I did this interview, his phone never stopped ringing. He is a full-service captain, he answers his calls, fixes his boat motors and knows where to reel in the big fish. He shared pictures of some impressive red snappers caught recently.

The 'Ladies Let's Go Fishing' gals are some of his best clients. He says that those ladies are so knowledgeable, organized and well trained, it makes his day easy sailing.

located at 1313 Ocean Way, on the docks behind the Key Largo Fisheries. He admits that social media has skyrocketed his business, but prefers bookings done over the phone: 305-451-9788.

He did a segment on the 'Reeling in the Keys with Captain George Clark' series about sandball fishing, a method where you take chum, sand and oats and make sticky balls and then bait your hook with them. The fish just love those sticky balls!

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**Mangrove Mike Forster Hates Key Largo!**



In November of 2008 the Coconut Telegraph wrote: "A local restaurant owner in Islamorada recently told the Coconut Telegraph that he did not want us to deliver the paper to his restaurant anymore because 'all there is in it is Key Largo trash.'"

This short, round man has gone "belly up" in a big way on several business ventures in the recent past and has gone as far as to "narc out" his competition to the Village for some code violations that were awaiting permits. This behavior has not endeared him to the locals in Islamorada, and now he's gone and trashed Key Largo!

Mike Forster personally told me that Key Largo (where I have lived for 30 years) "is not part of the Keys, it is Homestead." Last year Forster was sued for sexual harassment at his restaurant Mangrove Mike's, which he settled out of court. I read a copy of the lawsuit and was absolutely horrified! It went into excruciatingly filthy,

lurid and revolting detail of the atrocities he was going sexually inflict upon her and when she rejected his vile advances he retaliated by reducing her hours and punishing her through her meager waitress paycheck. If you have a strong enough stomach to read about lewd and lascivious behavior, the lawsuit is public information. It is explicitly nasty and fiercely degrading to women.

Mangrove Mike has lived, worked, and been an elected official in District 4 Islamorada for the last 10 years.

Islamorada has close to 80 million dollar debt, spends more money than it takes in and taxes go up almost every year.

Having raised approximately \$30,000 from developers and builders, Forster's campaign material leaves out the fact that this is an Upper Keys County Commission seat! I am wondering how much he paid to settle the lawsuit, and will Monroe County have to take out extra insurance to protect itself from future lawsuits?

**Robby Majeska is the Best Candidate for County Commissioner**



The Coconut Telegraph endorses Robby Majeska for County Commissioner

During the 22 years I have known Robby Majeska, owner of Keys Kritters, he has been extremely generous to the Upper Keys community. He has donated to every local benefit for local residents in need. He supports both animal shelters.

Every year in December he runs "Pets and Pina Coladas" in the parking lot by his store. For a donation of \$5 you get your photo with your pet and Santa Claus and a pina colada! The proceeds benefit Coral Shores High School Marine Lab that he set up and maintains, and one at the new PKS school.

Robby has worked with cat rescue groups and with a cat adoption group that rescues, spays/neuters and finds homes for over 100 kittens a year. He was a Boy Scout leader for 6 years. At

the American Legion there is a beautiful wooden flag retirement box donated by the Majeska family. He also manages the flag retirement boxes at the Elks and the Murray Nelson Center.

If you stop in Keys Kritters you are apt to meet his wife Isis, son Robby or daughter Isis, as it is a family-run business. They are all extremely knowledgeable on all their products and their advice has saved me money and time over the years.


For the last 10 years Majeska has been serving on the Key Largo Wastewater Management Board. During that time the organization was instrumental in lowering the Key Largo debt from 80 million dollars to less than 20 million dollars, and lowered wastewater rates to residents by 15%. It has been proven that the sewer system has done its job and has reversed the damage to the reef, restoring growth.

Majeska and family live in Key Largo and he is committed to the Upper Keys.




Robby & Isis Majeska with daughter Isis & son Robby.

**ROBBY MAJESKA FOR MONROE COUNTY COMMISSIONER DISTRICT 5 KEY LARGO/ TAVERNIER**



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At this point the cat will self agitate and make ample suds. Never mind the noises that come from the toilet, the cat is actually enjoying this.

Flush the toilet three or four times. This provides a 'Power-Wash' and 'Rinse.'

Have someone open the front door of your home. Be sure that there are no people between the bathroom and the front door.

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CoVid Fear and Hurricane Season Is Here

by Marilee Free

Let's face it, life as we know it is strange now, everything socially has changed. So what do you do? Who do you believe?

I had a recent visit with Dr. Susana May, Family Physician in Key Largo, about Covid, CDC guidelines and hurricane season. This is her insight...

Hurricanes threaten the Keys every year but 2020 is no ordinary year. It's essential to have a plan — especially if you are elderly, living in a trailer, mobile or RV. A hurricane shelter is the worst case scenario for Covid spreading. As former health department director for Miami's hurricane shelters, Dr. May explains that shelters are packed with rows of cots, where people in close proximity would be taking off their masks to eat and drink. She recommends for people to consider a plan for sheltering with their pets. Make arrangements with family or friends, if possible, in case of an evacuation. Home host volunteers could help by sharing their concrete homes with elder folks and those residing in trailers.

Hurricane shelters are non-smoking facilities. Smoking, like coughing, sneezing, talking loudly, even laughing spreads the virus more rapidly. Masks worn in public are effective and will help if everyone does their part, it's a

small favor to ask in this time of uncertainty.

What can we do to help our healthcare professionals as the Covid cases escalate to over 1000 in the Keys?

If you are exposed to or feel that you have the virus, please call the office, don't come in. Dr. May is available to set up video chat appointments on FaceTime, Google Duo, WhatsApp and Zoom. Please be patient with the healthcare staff. They are risking their lives doing their jobs to help us all stay healthy. Please be kind, there is not enough medical staff qualified to handle this pandemic and limited testing supplies are available. Hospitals are full; doctors, nurses and health care staff nationwide are overworked and overwhelmed.

If you have symptoms, or have been exposed to someone who tested positive and want to be tested for Covid, Advance Urgent Care is doing testing in Key Largo (they have been busy and will charge for swab.) On Saturdays, CHI in Marathon does drive-up testing by appointment only. There is also drive-up testing in Homestead at Harris Field.

Dr. May posts daily on Facebook, sharing the latest news and giving advice for handling the crisis. She gets a lot of doubters and conflicting opinions, even though she's a medical professional with 33 years of experience. This virus has no outpatient treatment and no cure.

Symptoms include intense inflammation that attacks arteries, creating a clotting disorder. Clots can affect all the organs including the lungs, heart and brain.

Seeing cases first hand and doing her research to pass on the best information possible, Dr. May stresses the number one thing that people can do is to stay home as much as possible and limit traveling. She doesn't think it's a good idea to send students back to school. She says homeschooling or online classes are the best way to flatten the curve for now.

Dine outdoors at restaurants, limit groups to four or less and choose take out when possible.

Staying home, exercising outside, drinking lots of water and eating healthy meals will help you stay well. Wash your



Karen Griswold APRN and Susana May, M.D.

hands regularly, use hand sanitizer if you can't wash your hands, don't touch your face, keep the 6 foot distance and please, just wear a mask in public, show you care to protect those around you.

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# The Electric Fence and the Lawnmower

We have a 6-foot square tube-and-welded wire fence in the front yard, and last Saturday, when I heard some mainland punks might be bringing their BS into the Keys, I wanted to make sure they ran into a little resistance before meeting my Kimber 9mm. So I got an electric fence and ran a single wire along the top of it.

Actually, I got the biggest cattle charger Tractor Supply had, made for 12.5 miles of fence. I then used an 8-foot long ground rod, welded a 1/2" masonry bit to a piece of round rod, and sunk the ground rod 7.5 feet into the limestone. The ground rod is the key, with the more you have in the ground, the better the fence works.

On Wednesday my idiot neighbors hired another idiot to trim all their trees, yes in June, so now they will all probably die of wilt, but that's a whole other story. One of the limbs came crashing down on top of my fence, leaving the main wire down in the yard. So yesterday I'm mowing the yard with my 5 hp Briggs and Stratton push mower. I knew for a fact that I unplugged the charger, so I pushed the mower around the wire and reached down to grab it, to throw it out of the way.

Well my sweet wife had seen that the fence was unplugged and thought one of the dogs had accidentally done it, so she plugged it back in "for me"... how very thoughtful of her!

Now I'm standing there, I've got the running lawnmower in my right hand and the 1.21 giga-volt fence wire in the other hand. Keep in mind the charger is about the size of a marine battery and **has a picture of an upside down cow on fire on the cover.**



Time...stood...still...

The first thing I notice is my pecker trying to climb up the front side of my body. My ears curled downwards and I could feel the lawnmower ignition firing in the backside of my brain. Every time that Briggs & Stratton rolled over, I could feel the spark in my head. I was literally at one with the engine.

It seems as though the fence charger and lawnmower were fighting over who would control my electrical impulses.

Science says you cannot poop, pee, and vomit at the same time. I beg to differ. I did all three at once in less than half of a second. It was a Matrix kind of bowel movement, where time is creeping along and you're all leaned back and BAM you just pooped your pants 3 times. It seemed like there were minutes in between, but in reality it was so close together it was like exhaust pulses from a hemi turning 8 grand.

At this point I'm about 30 minutes (ok, maybe 2 seconds) into holding onto the fence wire. My hand is wrapped around the wire palm down, so I can't let go. I grew up on ranches so I know all about electric fences... but Grandpa always had those piece of shit chargers made by International or whoever that were like 9 volts and just kinda tickled.

This one... I could not let go. The 8-foot long ground rod is now accepting signals from me through the solid limestone rock. At this point I'm thinking I'm going to have to just man up and take it until the lawnmower runs out of gas.

'Damn!' I think, as I remember I just filled the tank!

Now the lawnmower is starting to run rough. It has settled into a loping run pattern as if it had some kind of big lawnmower race cam in it. Covered in poop, pee, and with my vomit on my chest, I think 'Oh God please die .... pleeee-aze die.'

But nooooo, it settles into the rough lumpy cam idle nicely and remains there, like a big-bore roller cam engine waiting for the go command from its driver's right foot.

So here I am in the middle of June, 104 degrees, 80% humidity, standing in my own front yard, begging God to kill me.

God did not take me that day... he left me there covered in my own fluids to writhe in the misery my own stupidity had created.

I honestly don't know how I got loose from the wire..

I woke up laying on the ground hours later. The lawnmower was beside me, out of gas. It was later on in the day and I was sunburned.

There were two large dead

grass spots where I had been standing, and then another long skinny dead spot where the wire had laid while I was on the ground still holding on to it. I assume I finally had a seizure and in the resulting thrashing had somehow let go of the wire.

Upon waking from my electrically induced sleep I realized a few things:

1 - Three of my teeth seem to have melted.

2 - I now have cramps in the bottoms of my feet and my right butt cheek (not the left, just the right).

3 - Poop, pee, and vomit when all mixed together, do not smell as bad as you might think.

4 - My left eye will not open.

5 - My right eye will not close.

6 - The lawnmower runs like a sumbitch now. Seriously! I think our little session cleared out some carbon fouling or something, because it was better than new after that.

7 - My nuts are still average size yet they are almost a foot long.

8 - I can turn on the TV in the bedroom by farting while thinking of the number 4 (still don't understand this???)

Yesterday changed my life.

I now have a newfound respect for things.

I appreciate the little things more, and now I will always triple check to make sure the fence is unplugged before I mow.

The good news, is that if someone does try to come over the fence, I can clearly visualize what my security system will do to him, and THAT gives me a warm and fuzzy feeling all over, which will also remind me to triple check before I mow.

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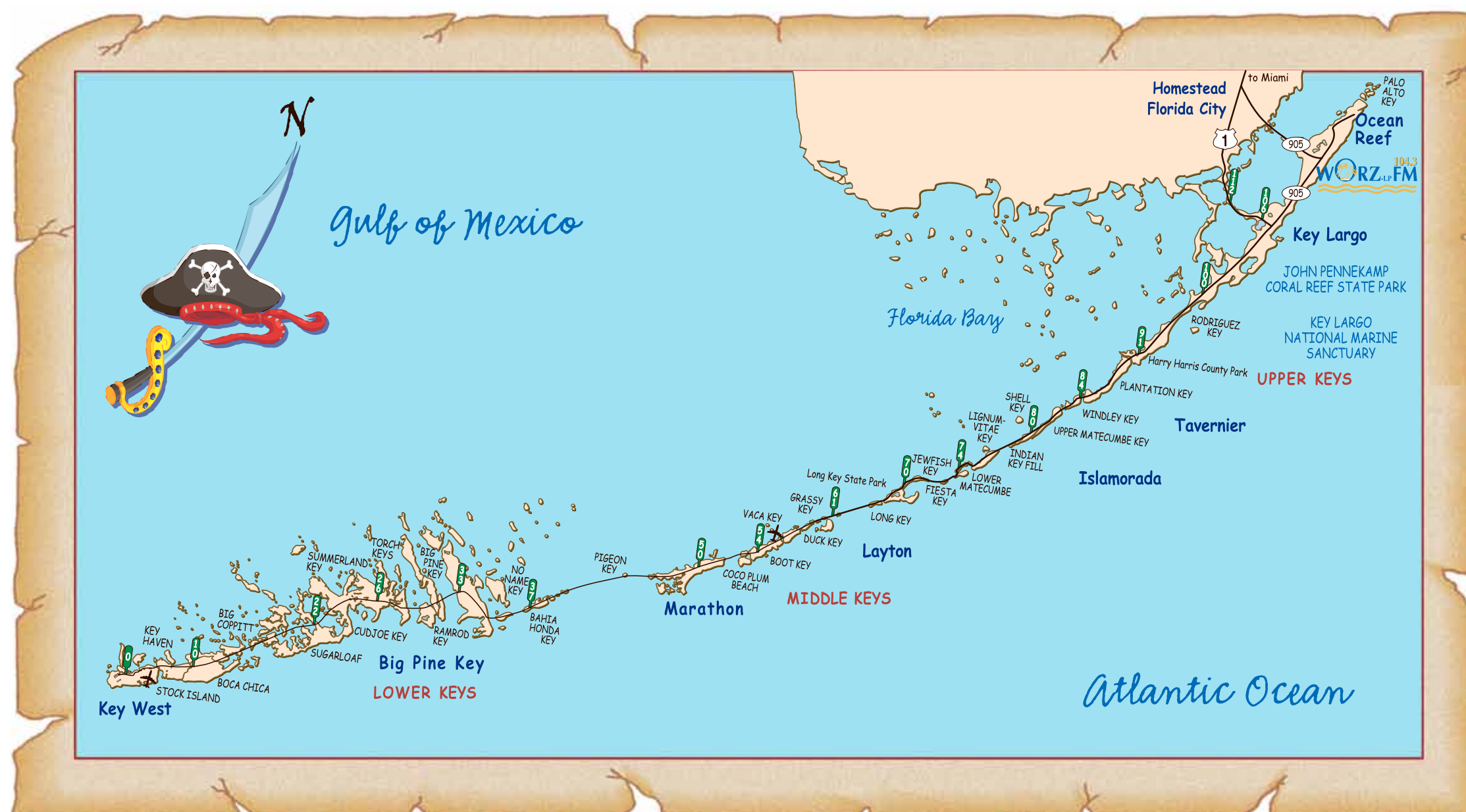
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ABOUT THAT LOCKDOWN

Just be careful because people are going crazy from being in lockdown!

Actually, I've just been talking about this with the microwave and toaster while drinking coffee and we all agreed that things are getting bad.

I didn't mention anything to the washing machine as she puts a different spin on everything. Certainly not to the fridge as he is acting cold and distant. In the end, the iron straightened me out as she said everything will be fine, no situation is too pressing. The vacuum was very unsympathetic... told me to just suck it up, but the fan was more optimistic and hoped it would all soon blow over! The toilet looked a bit flushed when I asked its opinion and didn't say anything but the doorknob told me to get a grip! The front door said I was unhinged and so the curtains told me to... yes, you guessed it... pull myself together!

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Hurricane Season - The Essentials

We at the Coconut Telegraph know how important hurricane information is to our readers, so we have distilled this to the essentials.

If you own a home, you must have hurricane insurance. Fortunately it's cheap if your home meets two basic requirements:

- 1. Your home is well built
- 2. It is located in Nebraska

Hurricane Shutters:

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Sheet metal shutters

These work well, once you get them all up. But once you get them up, your hands will be useless bleeding stumps that will not heal until December.

Mandatory Evacuation:

Instead of being trapped in your home, you will be

trapped in your car, and stuck in traffic.

Supplies:

If you decide not to evacuate, do not buy them now. Wait until the last possible minute so you can get into a fight with strangers over that last bottle of water at your local supermarket.

In addition to water you will need plenty of alcohol, in case you are stuck in home with relatives. Even if you don't use it now, it's practical. You won't need to restock for holidays.

Also, don't forget 23 flashlights and at least \$168 worth of batteries (count on the



Have plenty of hydrating beverages and nutritious snacks on hand.

fact they will all be wrong size when the power goes off).

Buy plenty of ice so your drinks are cold.

You may also want to get large quantities of raw chicken to placate the alligators. Just remember you can't freeze it if you don't use it right away, because the power will be off.

These are all just basic precautions. Be ready to watch your weather man for five days straight. Stay safe!



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- Boat Ramp
- Mile Marker
- Point of Interest
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- Swim with Dolphins

Map showing Key Largo with various landmarks and mile markers.

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# Washington Redskins Name Change

Dear Mr. Page:

Along with our Native American population, I am highly offended by the racially charged name of the Washington Redskins.

One might argue that to name a professional football team after Native Americans would exalt them as fine warriors, but nay, nay. We must be careful not to offend, and in the spirit of political correctness and courtesy, we must move forward.

Let's ditch the Kansas City Chiefs, the Atlanta Braves and the Cleveland Indians. If your shorts are in a wad because of the reference the name Redskins makes to skin color, then we need to get rid of the Cleveland Browns.

The Carolina Panthers obviously were named to keep the memory of militant Blacks from the 60s alive. Gone. It's offensive to us white folk.

The New York Yankees offend the Southern population. Do you see a team named for the Confederacy? No! There is no room for any reference to that tragic war that cost this country so many young men's lives. I am also offended by the blatant references to the Catholic religion among our sports team names. Totally inappropriate to have the New Orleans Saints, the Los Angeles Angels or the San Diego Padres.

Then there are the team names that glorify criminals who raped and pillaged. We are talking about the horrible Oakland Raiders, the Minne-

sota Vikings, the Tampa Bay Buccaneers and the Pittsburgh Pirates!

Now, let us address those teams that clearly send the wrong message to our children. The Los Angeles Chargers promote irresponsible fighting or even spending habits. Wrong message to our children.

The New York Giants and the San Francisco Giants promote obesity, a growing childhood epidemic. Wrong message to our children. The Cincinnati Reds promote downers/barbiturates. Wrong message to our children.

The Milwaukee Brewers. Well that goes without saying. Wrong message to our kids.

So, there you go. We need to support any legislation that comes out to rectify this travesty, because

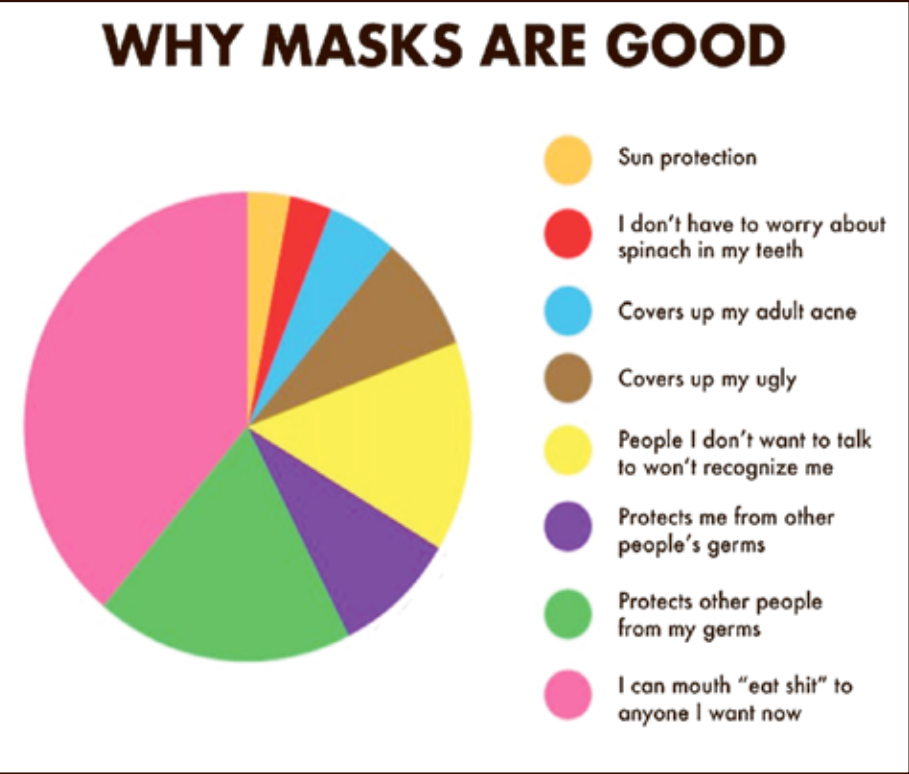
the government will likely become involved with this issue, as they should. Just the kind of thing the do-nothing Congress loves.

As a die-hard Oregon State fan, my wife and I, with all of this in mind, suggest it might also make some sense to change the name of the Oregon State women's athletic teams to something other than "the Beavers (especially when they play Southern California. Do we really want the Trojans sticking it to the Beavers???)

I always love your articles and I generally agree with them. As for the Redskins name I would suggest they change the name to the "Foreskins" to better represent their community, paying tribute to the dick heads in Washington DC.

Covid isn't Trump's fault.  
Ebola wasn't Obama's.  
Sars wasn't Bush's.

Only a handful of cases of herpes was Clinton's.



**Coronacoaster**

**noun:** the ups and downs of a pandemic. One day you're loving your bubble, doing work outs, baking banana bread and going for long walks and the next you're crying, drinking gin for breakfast and missing people you don't even like.

Wife: "Did I get fat during quarantine?"

Husband: "You weren't really skinny to begin with"

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# Coco'Nut' Funnies

I heard alcohol and sunlight kill Corona so if you see me naked and drunk in the yard I am doing medical research.

So far 2020 is like looking both ways before crossing the street and then getting hit by an airplane.

You know how when you go to a concert or show of some sort and the person on stage is like "HOW'S EVERYONE DOING TONIGHT?!!?!?!?" and the audience cheers back. Why? You're not answering the question, you're just yelling!. Imagine if we did that in daily conversation, "Hey Jeff, how are ya?" and Jeff just starts screaming and clapping in your face.

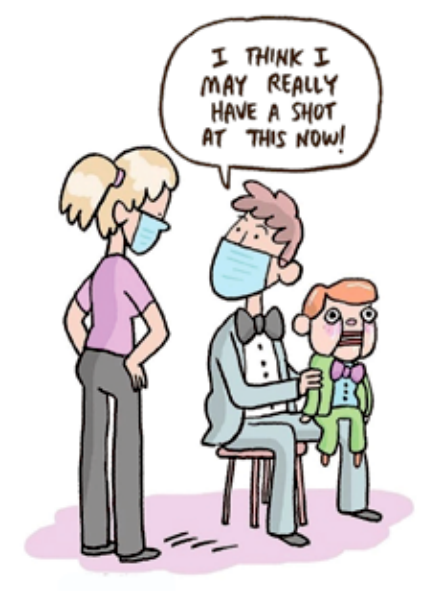


I never thought the comment "I wouldn't touch him/her with a 6 foot pole" would become a national policy, but here we are

There was an elderly man who wanted to make his younger wife pregnant. He went to the doctor to get a sperm count. The doctor told him to take a specimen cup home, fill it, and bring it back. The elderly man came back the next day; the specimen cup was empty and the lid was on it. The doctor asked, "What was the problem?" The elderly man said, "Well, I tried with my right hand... nothing. I tried with my left hand... nothing. So my wife tried with her right hand... nothing. Her left hand... nothing. Her mouth... nothing. Then my wife's friend tried. Right hand, left hand, mouth... still nothing. The doctor replied, "Wait a minute, did you say your wife's friend too?!" The elderly man answered, "Yeah, and we still couldn't get the lid off the specimen cup."

**Positive:**  
(adj.) The most negative word of 2020.

Where do you take someone who has been injured in a Peek-a-Boo accident?  
To the I.C.U.



After all the eating I've done this winter, I'm happy to report my flip-flops still fit.



Post corona, romance novels might be something like this :  
"Hands glistening with sanitizer, he reached out and gently removed her mask.. As he pressed closer against her, she felt a certain stiffness near his trouser pocket. "Is that what I think it is?" she asked breathlessly.  
"Yes," he replied. "I brought my digital thermometer in case I need to take your temperature."

The National Weather Service has just published instructions on how to bake a lasagna in your mailbox

Y'all survive on 3 sodas a day but when a hurricane comes, y'all turn into a fish and need 40 cases of water.

The Flat Earth Society are worried that social distancing will push people over the edge

I drove into a gas station, to fill my car up \$2.34, better price than normal! I noticed 2 police officers were watching a woman who was smoking while filling her car up.

I thought, is she stupid, crazy, or both, especially with the police standing RIGHT there?! I was minding my own business filled my car up and went inside to pay. As I was paying for my fuel, I heard someone screaming!!

I'm talking violent death screams! I looked outside and I saw that this woman's arm was on fire!!!! She was swinging her arm, running around and going nuts!! I ran outside, the police had the woman on the ground and they were putting the fire out!!

Then they put handcuffs on her and put her in the police car. I was a bit shocked, couldn't believe they arrested her, surely she ought to be in an ambulance, not a police car?! Me being nosy as I am, I asked the policeman what they were arresting her for.

He looked at me, dead serious, and said, "WAVING A FIRE ARM"!!

I heard the government is putting chips inside of people. I hope I get Doritos



FROM THE SAME CREATORS OF "HAVE YOU SEEN MY GLASSES?"  
HERE COMES "WHERE'S THAT EFFING MASK?"

Husband - why did you marry me?  
Wife - because you are funny.  
Husband - I thought it was because I was good in bed  
Wife - you see? You are hilarious.



A man and woman are having dinner in a restaurant.

A waitress who is serving at the next table, notices the man slowly sliding down the chair, until he disappears under the table, while the woman appears completely unconcerned, and appears not to have noticed!

The waitress, concerned, went over and discreetly whispered to the woman, "Pardon me ma'am, but I think your husband has just slid under the table!"

She replied, "No actually, he's just walked in the front door!"

Netflix should change their message from, "Are you still watching?" to "You should shower and come back"

Teacher: I have a green ball in one hand, and a green ball in the other, what do I have?

Student: Kermit the Frog begging for mercy.



I DON'T THINK ANYONE EXPECTED THAT WHEN WE CHANGED THE CLOCKS EARLIER THIS YEAR WE'D GO FROM STANDARD TIME TO THE TWILIGHT ZONE



My wife asked me to stop singing "I'm a believer" by The Monkees because she found it annoying. At first, I thought she was kidding. But then I saw her face....



The Florida Department of Transportation (DOT) found over 200 dead crows on Highway 95 this past week, and there was concern that they may have died from the Coronavirus.

A veterinary epidemiologist examined the remains of all the crows, and, to everyone's relief, confirmed the problem was NOT Coronavirus (COVID-19).

The cause of death was actually from vehicular impacts. However, during analysis it was noted that varying colors of paints appeared on the bird's beaks and claws. By analyzing these paint residues it was found that 98% of the crows had been killed by impact with motorcycles, while only 2% were killed by cars.

The DOT then hired an Ornithological Behaviorist to determine if there was a cause for the disproportionate percentages of motorcycle strikes versus car strikes.

The Ornithological Behaviorist quickly concluded that when crows eat road kill, they always have a look-out crow to warn of danger.

They discovered that, while all the lookout crows could shout "Cah", not a single one could shout "Bike".



Ever notice how some people talk louder and louder when they drink? That's why alcohol content is listed by volume.

\*\*\*ATTENTION\*\*\*  
If you or a loved one has been refused entry to a private business for not wearing a mask and you would like to explore legal options to protect your constitutional rights, our law firm is happy to explain just how stupid you are.

ALL WOMEN ARE BI.  
IT'S YOUR JOB TO GUESS WHETHER IT'S SEXUAL OR POLAR.



# Doing for Others

In doing service for others, we often find answers to our own questions and solutions to our own problems.



When we feel bad, often our first instinct is to isolate ourselves and focus on what's upsetting us. Sometimes we really do need some downtime, but many times the best way to get out of the blues quickly is to turn our attention to other people. In being of service to others, paradoxically, we often find answers to our own questions and solutions to our own problems. We also end up feeling more connected to the people around us, as well as empowered by the experience of helping someone.

When we reach out to people we can help, we confirm that we are not alone in our own need for support and inspiration, and we also remind ourselves that we are powerful and capable in certain ways. Even as our own problems or moods get the better of us sometimes, there is always someone else who can use our particular gifts and energy to help them out. They, in turn, remind us that we are not

the only people in the world with difficulties or issues.

We all struggle with the problems of life, and we all feel overwhelmed from time to time, but we can almost always find solace in service.

In the most ideal situation, the person we are helping sheds light on our own dilemma, sometimes with a direct piece of advice, and sometimes without saying anything at all. Sometimes just the act of getting our minds out of the obsessive mode of trying to figure out what to do about our own life does the trick. Many great inventors and artists have found that the inspiration they need to get to the next level in their work comes not when they're working but when they're walking around the block or doing dishes. We do ourselves and everyone else a great service when we take a break from our sorrows and extend ourselves to someone in need.

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# The New Order: The Unwritten Laws

**Law of Centrifugal Malfeasance** - The likelihood that a wrench will slip and mar the surface is directly proportional to the newness of the surface.

**Law of Mechanical Repair** After your hands become coated with grease, your nose will begin to itch and you'll have to pee.

**Law of Gravity** - Any tool, nut, bolt, screw, when dropped, will roll to the least accessible place in the universe.

**Law of Probability** - The probability of being watched is directly proportional to the stupidity of your act.

**Law of Random Numbers** If you dial a wrong number, you never get a busy signal; someone always answers.

**Variation Law** - If you change lines (or traffic lanes), the one you were in will always move faster than the one you just moved to.

**Law of the Result** - When you try to prove to someone that a machine won't work, it does!!!

**Law of Biomechanics** - The severity of the itch is inversely proportional to the reach.

**Law of the Theater & Football Stadium** - At any event, the people whose seats are farthest from the aisle, always arrive last. They are the ones who will leave their seats several times to go for food, beer, or the restroom and who leave

early before the end of the performance or the game is over. The folks in the aisle seats come early, never move once, have long gangly legs or big bellies and stay to the bitter end of the performance. The aisle people also are very surly folk.

**Murphy's Law of Lockers** If there are only 2 people in a locker room, they will have adjacent lockers.

**Law of Physical Surfaces** The chance of a piece of pizza landing face down on a floor is directly related to the newness and cost of the carpet or rug.

**Law of Logical Argument** Anything is possible, if you don't know what you are talking about.

**Law of Physical Appearance** - If the clothes fit, they're ugly.

**The 50-50-90 Law** - Whenever there's a 50-50 chance of getting something right, there's a 90% probability that you'll get it wrong.

**Law of Commercial Marketing Strategy** - As soon as you find a product that you really like, they will stop making it or the store will stop selling it!

**Doctors' Law** - If you don't feel well, make an appointment to go to the doctor, by the time you get there, you'll feel better. But don't make an appointment and you'll stay sick.

**Law of the Bath** - when the body is fully immersed, the phone will ring.

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This Month's Live Entertainment and Events at the Lorelei							
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
<b>LIVE MUSIC 7 DAYS A WEEK!</b>		<i>Waterfront Dining!</i>	<b>"SUNDAY SCHOOL"</b> \$3 Bloody Marys, Mimosas & Screwdrivers every Sunday, 7 to 11 am			1 Spank The Band 6-10pm	
2 Webb & Davidson 6-10pm	3 The Carousers 6-10pm  Michael Trixx @ Sunset	4 Micah Gardner 6-10pm	5 Webb & Davidson 6-10pm  Michael Trixx @ Sunset	6 Webb & Davidson 6-10pm	7 Taylor King Band 6-10pm	8 Static 6-10pm	
9 Webb & Davidson 6-10pm	10 The Carousers 6-10pm	11 Ray Jaworski 6-10pm	12 Billy Davidson 6-10pm	13 Billy Davidson 6-10pm	14 Steve Venini Band 6-10pm	15 Trip Machine 6-10pm	
16 Billy & Nick 6-10pm	17 The Carousers 6-10pm	18 Micah Gardner 6-10pm	19 Webb & Davidson 6-10pm	20 Webb & Davidson 6-10pm	21 Bomb Shell 6-10pm	22 Christopher Dean Band 6-10pm	
23 Webb & Davidson 6-10pm	24 The Carousers 6-10pm	25 Mark Hill 6-10pm	26 Webb & Davidson 6-10pm  Michael Trixx @ Sunset	27 Webb & Davidson 6-10pm	28 Steve Venini Band 6-10pm  Michael Trixx @ Sunset	29 *SPECIAL EVENT*  Gypsy Lane 6-10pm	
30 Webb & Davidson 6-10pm	31 The Carousers 6-10pm	Lorelei can host private parties, weddings and rehearsal dinners. See our website for details.			<b>SPECIAL EVENT</b> Gypsy Lane - July 29		



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