

The Conch Republic COCONUT TELEGRAPH

FREE
Dining • Shopping
Lodging • Humor
Entertainment



THE COCONUT TELEGRAPH IS PROUD TO BE THE OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER OF THE NORTHERNMOST TERRITORIES OF THE CONCH REPUBLIC

101425 Overseas Hwy. • PMB #628 • Key Largo, FL 33037 • 305-304-2837 • www.theconchtelegraph.com • July 2020



Attractions

Spotlight on LoKation's

Susan Kay Holler

Coming Out of Quarantine

with Capt. Skip Bradeen

What's Hot & What's Not

Early July 4 Celebrations

Phlorida Keys Phobias

Maps

Key Largo Locator Map Page

Getting from Here to There

All the Buzz

Coco-Nut Funnies

Conch Characters


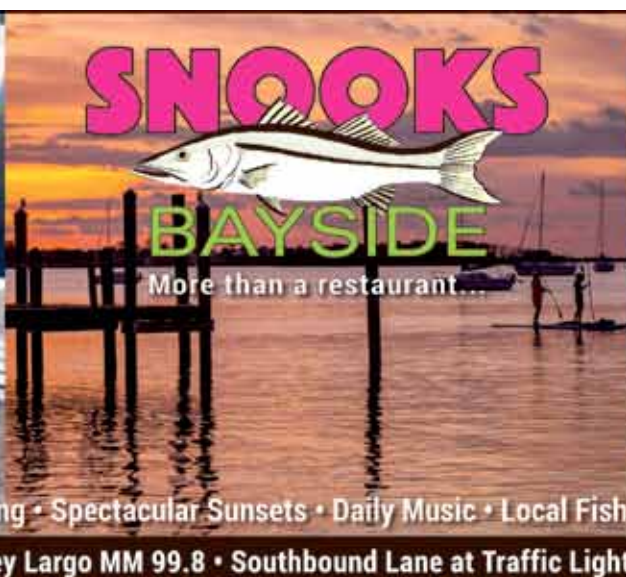
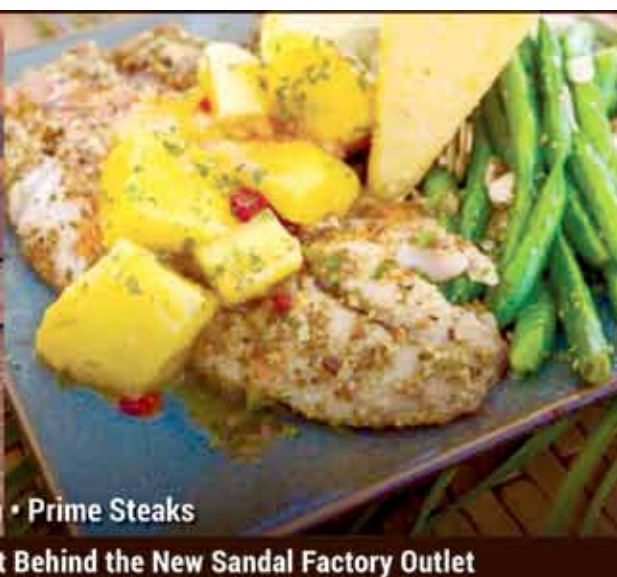
Business in the Keys

The Mangrove Galley

Classifieds



Celebrate Independence Day safely while you enjoy our Keys breezes and sunshine!

Stunning Setting • Spectacular Sunsets • Daily Music • Local Fish • Prime Steaks

305-453-5004 • www.snooks.com • Key Largo MM 99.8 • Southbound Lane at Traffic Light Behind the New Sandal Factory Outlet

Coconut Telegraph
July 2020
Volume 14 Issue #168

Prestige Publishing, Inc
101425 Overseas Hwy.
PMB #628
Key Largo, FL 33037

Deadline
for the Coconut Telegraph's
next issue is **Thursday,**
July 17, 2020

Contact Denise at
305-304-2837
theconchtelegraph@gmail.com

Cast of Characters:
Editor/Sales/Distribution
Denise Malefy
305-304-2837
theconchtelegraph@gmail.com

Advertising Consultant
& Roving Writer
Islamorada and Tavernier
Marilee Free
305-517-9279

Advertising Production
Sue Beal
305-451-4601
beal_s@bellsouth.net

The Conch Republic
COCONUT TELEGRAPH
Independently Owned Local Newspaper

305.304.2837
www.TheConchTelegraph.com
TheConchTelegraph@gmail.com

101425 Overseas Hwy.
PMB #628

Key Largo, Florida Keys
33037

Coming Out of Quarantine with Skip Bradeen	5
Spotlight on Susan Kay Holler	7
Ladies, Let's Go Fishing Screamin' Reels in August	9
Early July 4th Celbrations	11
Getting from Here to There - Keys Map Page	12-13
Attention Seekers: We All Know One	14
Adopt a Key Largo Animal Shelter Pet	15
Mangrove Galley: White Bean & Spinach Soup	16
Classified Ads	16
Conch Characters/Around Town	17
Key Largo Locator Map Page	18
Attention Deficit Disorder Test	19
Coco "Nut" Funnies	20-21
Phlorida Keys Phobias	22
Business in the Keys	23

Notice: We do not
mail out the Coconut
Telegraph and we do not
sell subscriptions.

It's available free online:
theconchtelegraph.com.
For comments please visit The
Conch Telegraph on Facebook.

Editorial - Are YOU Crazy?

As we enter into our fifth month in Coronaville many people are feeling the stress. Recently I went to see my doctor to renew my cholesterol medication. The nurse handed me a mental health questionnaire to fill out. The doctor explained to me that the vast majority of his patients were suffering from mental health issues due to the stress we are all under from the emotional roller coaster dubbed Covid 19. While we may never catch the virus, none of us are immune to it mentally.

For example, how many rolls of toilet paper do you have? How many do you think you really need? That is passive aggressive and hoarding crazy. You're not really hurting anyone else. No, if you threat-

en to shoot someone for their supply of TP, you have crossed the line and need a vacation to the looney bin.

It isn't nice to call a mentally ill person crazy, it is a negative connotation such as "mad." That brings to mind someone that is infuriated all the time. It's just not healthy. Whatever you say, nutty, wacky, etc., it all equals insane. Some nicer ways to say it are:

"Not playing with a full deck"

"A few ants shy of a picnic"

"A few bricks short of a load"

"Not running on all cylinders"

"His elevator doesn't go all the way to the top"

"He's lost his marbles"

"This Space For Rent" (pointing to head and looking at person)

"The lights are on, but nobody's home" etc.

Symptoms of mental disorders vary depending on the type and severity of the condition. Some general symptoms that may suggest a mental illness include:

In adults

- Confused thinking
- Long-lasting sadness or irritability
- Extremely high and low moods
- Excessive fear, worry, or anxiety
- Social withdrawal
- Dramatic changes in eating or sleeping habits
- Strong feelings of anger
- Delusions or hallucinations (seeing or hearing things that are not really there)
- Increasing inability to

cope with daily problems and activities

- Thoughts of suicide
- Denial of obvious problems
- Many unexplained physical problems
- Abuse of drugs and/or alcohol

24 Hour Help Hotline in the Upper Keys is 305-434-7660, press 8. You are not alone.

Sometimes I panic
and think there's
a crazy person in
my house and then
I realize it's
just me.

Disclaimer

The Coconut Telegraph © 2006-2020 is published monthly by Prestige Publishing, INC. All rights reserved. No part of this publication may be reproduced without written consent of the publisher. The Coconut Telegraph welcomes written articles, photos, and artwork of local interest to be used and/or edited at the discre-

tion of the publisher. The Coconut Telegraph assumes in good faith that all editorial and advertising material submitted are the original property of the advertiser. The Coconut Telegraph may not be held responsible for errors, omissions, or for circumstances beyond our control that may affect the distribution schedule.

Premier Listings From Your LoKal Real Estate Specialists

**Living and Working in the Florida Keys
for Over 25 years!**

BAY VIEWS!



1642 Churchill Downs
GOOD VIBES and VIEWS! VIEWS! VIEWS! Oversized canal-front home perfect for family compound. Sigh and kiss your worries goodbye! Seeing is believing. Adams Cut LoKation for easy boating Bay or Oceanside! \$995,000

UNDER CONTRACT



100961 Overseas Highway
SUBURBAN COMMERCIAL property on nearly 1/4 acre of land located on US1 in the X-Zone. This is a great price with lots of potential!!!!. \$309,000

UNDER CONTRACT



30 Orange Drive
DREAMING OF THE KEYS LIFE? Solidly built bungalow with newly remodeled kitchen and impact windows is ready for you, all you need is a bathing suit and toothbrush. New permitted roof in process! Lokated in the X-Zone. \$289,000

UNDER CONTRACT



982 Oleander Road
WELCOME HOME! Concrete 3/2 ground level home w/bonus room. tastefully renovated w/ new kitchen and baths. Brand new impact windows in 2020. Fenced yard, ample parking on a quiet street, close to schools, shopping and park. \$369,000



6 Rose Avenue
Spacious home on large corner lot! Open floor plan with separate laundry room. Huge bonus - a concrete, full-car garage. Located in a family neighborhood close to schools, shopping, restaurants and easy commute to Miami. \$249,000

UNDER CONTRACT



445 Lime Drive
GREAT FAMILY HOME! Concrete home in the X-Zone. Convenient location close to schools, shopping, Parks, restaurants and easy mainland access. Spacious with open concept floor plan. \$365,000



27 Avenue A
SELLER SAYS "SELL IT!" Nice home with lovely kitchen and newer appliances. Enjoy the good life in the screened Florida room with spacious newer hot-tub. Fully Fenced. Neighborhood park with beach, 2 boat ramps, pavilion and picnic area. Possible seller financing!!! \$224,000

UNDER CONTRACT



40 Transylvania Ave
Concrete bunker! Delightful family home located in the X-Zone. Nearly 1/4 acre, fully fenced and situated on two low maintenance open lots! County says lot can be separated and build-able. Move-in condition. New roof in 2019. \$428,000



Susan Holler, Realtor®
Cell: 305-393-1695
Virtual Showings Upon Request!
Suz@SusanKHoller.com
www.SusanKHoller.com

LoKally Respected!

Our goal is to exceed your expectations and to make your experience with us, as your Realtors, efficient, effective and rewarding.

LOKATION®
REAL ESTATE
92333 Overseas Highway, Suite 106, Tavernier, FL 33070



Kelly Wilson, Realtor®
Cell: 305-394-6742

Are you looking to
Buy or Sell?
Call Susan or Kelly today!



SNOOKS

BAYSIDE

More than a restaurant...

Hot Times in the Keys and the Cool Sound of Music!

Cruisin' Tikis • Great Food • Cool Cocktails

Eric Bowen — Mac & Steve — Reggie Paul — Sweetwater Band — Sir Cedric



305-453-5004 • www.snooks.com • Key Largo MM 99.8 Southbound Lane at Traffic Light • Behind the New Sandal Factory Outlet

Key Largo Conch House

100211 Overseas Highway ♦ Key Largo

Featured on the Food Network

We're Open! 8am - 10 Daily
Breakfast ♦ Lunch ♦ Dinner

Local Seafood
Vegetarian Entrées

Cook Your Catch
Pet Friendly • Kids' Menu

Award-Winning
Lobster Bisque
—AND—
Conch Fritters

Award-Winning Food & Coffee

Wine ♦ Beer ♦ Espresso
Homemade Desserts

305-453-4844

www.keylargoconchhouse.com



WE ARE OPEN

FACE MASK REQUIRED
NO-CONTACT DELIVERY

New Hours: Mon-Fri 10-3

Key Largo

Flowers & Gifts

305-451-3702 • 99551 Overseas Highway • KeyLargoFlorist.com

It's Kitten Season!

Fix Those Felines!

Please help "fix" pet overpopulation
by spaying and neutering your pets.



Free spay and neuter clinics
at Key Largo Animal Shelter,
normally every 2 weeks.

This program is privately funded
by Humane Animal Care Coalition
for Upper Keys residents.

Please call the shelter for
details and appointments.

Open Monday to Friday 9am to 6pm and Saturday 9am to 5pm

Mile marker 106 Oceanside • phone 305-451-0088

Conch Captain Spotlight on

Captain Skip Bradeen

Coming Out of Quarantine With Skip Bradeen – Let The Sun Shine!

by Marilee Free

If anyone can lift our spirits and guide us to a brighter tomorrow, it's Captain Skip. It was a pleasure to visit with him for the Conch Captain of the Month Spotlight at Wahoo's, overlooking the Whale Harbor Marina. Between pickleball and a Key Largo Rotary meeting, I was grateful to have a few moments with this busy, humorous, and successful fishing icon of Islamorada.

Since 1964, Captain Skip has renewed his Captain's license consecutively 12 times (licenses are good for 5 years) and celebrates 55 years fishing out of Whale Harbor. Is that a Guinness World Record? He said, "there is only one captain in the Upper Keys that has been guiding longer, Billy Knowles, he has been fishing here 60 years." (Captain Billy, up for an interview?)

Besides being the Coconut Telegraph's "Conch Captain of July," Captain Skip was voted as one of the "50 Best Captains in the World" by Salt Water Fisherman magazine in 2014. He has won the "People's Choice Award" of the Upper Keys for 'Best Captain' 18 years running. Rumor has it, Captain Skip may be inducted into the IFGA Fishing Hall of Fame in 2021, the most prestigious worldwide award captains can receive, for his long-time dedication.

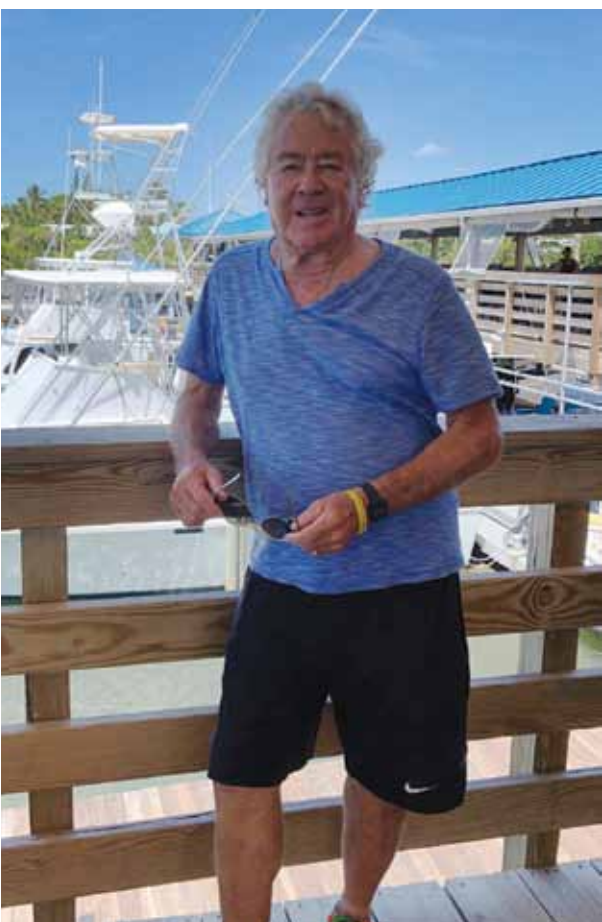
And speaking of dedication, he and his lovely wife Lisa, a sought-after wedding planner (Weddings by Lisa) give visitors a taste of this island paradise by planning a day of fishing on the Atlantic or a dream wedding event, sometimes both. Many fishing charters book year after year with Skip. They both have dealt with 'monumental cancellations' as a result of Covid-19. He reminded me, we are not in the clear yet, and still should wear a face mask and follow social distancing guidelines now that the Keys has reopened to tourists. He is hoping that all businesses in the Keys can get back on their feet after this pandemic. As a community, we plan on closures in hurricane season, but never planned on a shut down for the height of tourist season; 2020 has been an unprecedented year.

Prior to 'living the 55-year dream' in Islamorada, Skip grew up in Long Island, New York. After high school he joined the Air Force and served in Vietnam. He recalls talking to a buddy who was going to Florida for a vacation, some place called, "Isa-slama-doora." Call it fate, call it 'Keys Disease,' call it what you will, Skip answered the call. He went fishing one time with his buddy, was paid \$5 to mate and got a \$5 tip (and in 1964 that was a good day on the water!) and he was hooked, reeled in and the rest is history.

The "Always" was the first boat Skip owned, for "Always catches fish." Since then he has had the Blue Chip 1, The Blue Chip Too and the Blue Chip Too 2. He is looking forward to the painting and upgrades to be done soon and getting her back on the water. (You know what BOATT stands for? Break out another ten thousand!)

Captain Skip has a son, Brad, who lives in Ft. Lauderdale and works on cruise ships. He also has a daughter, Kristine, a Nova University alum, who lives in Toronto and has three daughters. He got a little twinkle in his eye when he mentioned the granddaughters.

Beginning in 1987, Captain Skip did the 'On the Water Fishing Report.' It was the daily listen for what fish are being caught, sea conditions, and weather for fisherman on the local radio stations. His report recently ended when radio station 96.9FM went off the air, just before the pandemic.



Matt Bellinger does the report on Sun FM, 103.1. He says stay tuna'd, he may do the fishing report again in the future.

So if this article makes you want to grab a pole and fish with a local legend, you can visit Captain Skip's website at www.bluechiptoo.com or call 305-852-8477 for rates and dates available.



Top 7 Worst Website Names

- 1. Whorepresents.com (Who Represents)
- 2. Expertsexchange.com (Experts Exchange)
- 3. Penisland.net (Pen Island)
- 4. Therapistfinder.com (Therapist Finder)
- 5. Molestationnursery.com (Mole Station Nursery)
- 6. Speedofart.com (Speed Of Art)
- 7. Cummingfirst.com (Cummings First Methodist Church)



Rules for the Cat

The cat is not allowed on the furniture.

Alright, the cat can go on the furniture, but NOT the kitchen counter.

OK, the cat can go on the kitchen counter too, just not when I'm preparing food. Deal?

Fine... The cat can go wherever it wants, whenever it wants, as long as it doesn't swat me in the face at 5:30 in the morning demanding to be fed.

The cat will be fed at 5:30 in the morning.

The lowest form of accommodation in Victorian England was access to bend over a rope for the night at the price of a penny. Usually used by drunken sailors who had spent all their money drinking. It's said to be the origin of the term "Hungover".



JUST LISTED!!! Ocean Pointe Suites of Key Largo, Unit 2213



Completely updated 1B/1B with beautiful finishes and impact windows. Live here full time or use as a rental investment property when you are not in the Florida Keys. Daily, weekly or monthly rentals potential. This Oceanfront Suites is a gated community, situated on a private 60 acre sanctuary with nature trails. Amenities include a private beach, Jr. Olympic pool, separate whirlpool spa, waterfront café, 2 bars, deep-water marina, boat ramp, 2 tennis courts and much more! Conveniently located to snorkeling, scuba diving, shopping, and restaurants. \$339,000

Susan Holler, Realtor® 305-393-1695



92333 Overseas Hwy. Tavernier, FL 33070

Spotlight on: Susan Kay Holler



Susan Kay Holler is a multifaceted character who is a serious Realtor, a passionate artist, and a lover of cats. She has been married to Michael Holler, licensed mental health counselor, for 30 years. Susan has one successful and loving son, Andy, who is married to Julia, who looks like a mermaid with her long red hair. They have gifted Susan with two granddaughters, Cecilia, and Gianna, and one grandson, Elijah. Susan says "all 3 of my grandchildren are adorable and wild, just as mother nature intended."

When asked, Michael says, I tell my wife all the time "if she doesn't stop working so hard in real estate, I'm going to leave her!" They both giggle as Susan retorts "Me and the kitties sure are going to miss you!"

In all seriousness, Susan says the Florida Keys is a beautiful place to live and vacation, so it isn't surprising that Susan and her partner, Kelly Wilson, spend most of their time making the dream of home ownership come true for so many people. Susan asks "Where else can you live in paradise while you help others find a home; and then be able to go out at the end of the day on your boat to watch the beautiful colors of sunset as the sun and ocean meet for the green flash?"

This magnificent chain of

islands has served as a splendid backdrop and inspiration for her passion for real estate as well as her hobby of fine art painting.

Susan is both dedicated to and passionate about her real estate career. Whether you are a buyer or a seller, she works equally hard for you. Susan always goes the extra mile to make the deal happen! Her honesty, integrity, upbeat personality, and expertise in her field are the keys to her success.

Originally from Ohio, as a child her family moved to St. Louis. She spent most of her childhood and twenties living in Missouri, enjoying the great outdoors; camping, canoeing, and boating. Susan received her Bachelor of Fine Arts Degree at Lindenwood University, and apprenticed with a professional master artist named Kemet Johnson. She worked in the field of graphic arts, at McDonnell Douglas Aircraft while in St. Louis. She created night vision goggle presentations and detailed drawings of fighter aircraft & scenarios. She loved that her desk faced the runway; it was fun to watch the aircraft performing military maneuvers.

When she first moved to the Keys she worked at the University of Miami and specialized in the design and development of marketing and publishing materials for various production and publication companies. She continued with her painting, and her paintings have graced the covers of published books worldwide.

Susan fell in love with the fabulous Florida Keys with its tropical colors and climate and moved here to become a permanent resident in 1994, melding her talents and abili-

ties into the field of real estate. She brings to the LoKation Real Estate team a unique combination of knowledge, talents, and experience.

In her 3-year stint as a legal assistant to a real estate attorney, she gained invaluable insight into the workings of the legal and technical aspects involved in real estate. From her years as a marketing director for a real estate company, she developed specialized marketing skills, which she has utilized to develop a unique and successful marketing style and approach. Thus, it was only natural for her to transition to becoming an Agent. Susan says, "In today's market, it is important not only to match the right property to the right person, but to be well versed in affordable homes as well as luxury estates."



When asked about her paintings, she said she loves to paint the ocean, mermaids, animals, and fish. Her medium is acrylic paint on canvas or exotic wood. Susan attempts to create a visual transcendence for the viewer — a place of tranquility and contemplation, where the spirit can rest and rejuvenate itself. You can see more of her artwork at Suzarts.com.

Susan also enjoys boating, biking, swimming, and hanging out with her kitties.

For now, her focus is her real estate career. Susan and Kelly are very excited to announce that they are part of a new branch office for LoKation Real Estate, which is opening at 92333 Overseas Highway in Tavernier, suite 106, directly north of Chad's restaurant. They are planning to be open by mid-July.

Susan finds that living in the Keys provides a constant series of opportunities to enjoy and appreciate the wonder of the art of island, ocean, nature, and sun everywhere one turns. She has learned that there is an art to bringing together the right



property with the right person; the right picture with the right frame. As a true artist in buying and selling properties in the Fabulous Florida Keys, Susan wants to be your Realtor for life. Let her paint you into this picture!

To see some of Susan's homes for sale, go to page 3 of this newspaper. Visit Susan's website to see more homes in the Keys at SusanHollerRealtor.com or TropicalKeyshomes.com.



4th of July BAYSIDE BASH!

JIMMY JOHNSON'S BIGCHILL RESTAURANT & BAR

TIKI BAR CABANAS POOL

DELIVERY MM110 to MM98

LADIES NIGHT! EVERY TUESDAY - 6-7pm Ladies Drink Free

MM104 BAYSIDE, KEY LARGO ★ 305.453.9066 ★ www.jjsBigChill.com

FREE POOL ADMISSION MON-THURS with Monroe Co. ID

HAPPY HOUR Monday-Friday 4-7pm

LARGEST FIREWORKS DISPLAY in the Upper Keys, starts 10pm Jul. 4

Waterfront Dining & Tiki Bar

We Stock Guitar Strings
— New & Used Guitars —

CORAL FINANCIAL
Jewelry & Pawn

MM102
Oceanside
Key Largo

305
453-5300

Custom
Jewelry

On-Site
Jewelry
Repair

We Buy Guns
Top Dollar Paid

- Modern
- Vintage
- Antique

CORAL FINANCIAL
Jewelry & Pawn

MM102 (O)
Key Largo

305
453-5300

SAFE • CONVENIENT • DISCREET

Marriage is Sharing

The old man placed an order for one hamburger, French fries and a drink.

He unwrapped the plain hamburger and carefully cut it in half, placing one half in front of his wife.

He then carefully counted out the French fries, dividing them into two piles and neatly placed one pile in front of his wife.

He took a sip of the drink, his wife took a sip and then set the cup down between them. As he began to eat his few bites of hamburger, the people around them were looking over and whispering.

Obviously they were thinking, "That poor old couple - all they can afford is one meal for the two of them."

As the man began to eat his fries,

a young man came to the table and politely offered to buy another meal for the old couple. The old man said they were just fine - they were used to sharing everything.

People closer to the table noticed the little old lady hadn't eaten a bite. She sat there watching her husband eat and occasionally she sipped the drink.

Again, the young man came over and begged them to let him buy another meal for them. This time the old woman said, "No, thank you, we are used to sharing everything."

Finally, as the old man finished and was wiping his face neatly with the napkin, the young man again came over to the little old lady who had yet to eat a single bite of food and asked, "What is it you are waiting for?"

She answered, "the teeth."

2nd Annual SALUTE A VETERAN BARBECUE

To honor Veterans and their families with a free steak dinner, free t-shirt & live entertainment.

Sunday, July 5th
11 am to 6 pm

Coconut Cove Resort
Mile Marker 84.8
84801 Overseas Hwy.
Islamorada FL

Join us for a fun day for veterans and their families at no charge.

- ★ Games for children
- ★ Open swimming pool
- ★ Beautiful ocean view
- ★ Ceremony
- ★ Silent auction
- ★ 50/50 raffles
- ★ Live entertainment
- ★ Tiki bar

And More!

OPEN TO EVERYONE.
(Civilians are asked to donate \$15 for meal.)

Sponsored by:
The Long Walk Home, Inc. (a not for profit organization assisting Veterans and their families readjusting to civilian life) For more information please contact Ron at 305.399.5354, thelongwalkhomeinc@gmail.com

Activities Include:

- Marine Lab Experience
- Rollerblading
- Horseback Riding
- Community Service Hours

Session 1: July 11-18
Session 2: July 18-25
Session 3: July 25-Aug 1

Chance to WIN this Summer's Hidden Treasure!

SUMMER 2020 JELSEMA JOURNEY

FREE Summer Experience

The Florida Keys Jelsema Center is offering a free summer overnight camp experience for at-risk youth ages 10-17. Don't forget to ask about our free transportation, too! Contact Sebastian or Christi now to apply and save your spot!

FLORIDA KEYS JELSEMA CENTER
73 High Point Road
Tavernier, FL 33070

Sebastian @ 305.432.1218
Christi @ 305.852.2882 x239
www.fk.cs.org

FKCS is a local, private 501(c)3 not-for-profit organization. All financial contributions support programming and services in Monroe County.

Photographs used in this publication are not those of shelter clients. They are included for illustration purposes only.

Ladies, Let's Go Fishing Hosts the LLGF Screamin' Reels Tournament Aug. 14-16 in Islamorada

Women, men and teens are invited to a non intimidating LLGF Fishing Screamin' Reels tournament with education Aug. 14-16 in Islamorada, FL. Hosted by the nonprofit Ladies Let's Go Fishing Foundation, the tournament kicks off on Friday with a class on off-shore fishing and conservation, plus an appetizer contest from 6-8 pm at The Tavernier Elks Club.

Saturday and Sunday is fishing, learning on the water and friendly angler competition for inshore and offshore species, departing from Whale Harbor Marina, Islamorada. Participants can fish from their own boats or charters supplied by the organization with license and equipment supplied.

Prizes will be awarded to individual anglers, including a Penn combos, art prints and other fishing items, presented on Sunday upon the return of boats at Whale Harbor. Prizes for inshore and offshore species and releases include Heaviest Fish Overall, Offshore Billfish Release, Party Boat award, Junior Angler, Longest Inshore Fish, Wild Card prizes and more.

This tournament offers easy rules and is perfect for novice anglers. Charter boats fill quickly so early registration is encouraged. Registration is \$89 early entry, \$99 regular per adult angler, \$45 for teens and includes about \$20 in gifts.

The Tavernier Elks Club is located at 92600 Overseas Hwy, Tavernier, FL 33070, MM 92 Bayside.

Featured on national network television and more, the series is supported by major partners including Recreational Fishing and Boating Foundation, Take Me Fishing, Vamos a Pescar, Mercury, Magic Tilt trailers, Penn, Scout Boats, Seven Seas Yacht Sales, Power-Pole and Fish Florida. Largest Annual Sponsors are Freedom Boat Club, Sunrise Resort & Marina, Future Angler Foundation, CCA Florida STAR, TACO Marine, Seaguar and Big Rock Sports Foundation. Local sponsors include Breezy Palms Resort, the Monroe County Tourist Development Council and Saltwater Breweries.

Remaining 2020 LLGF Events:

- August 8
Scalloping in Homosassa
- August 14-16
Keys Fishing Learning on the Water Screamin' Reels
- Aug. 21-23
South Florida Offshore Saltwater Weekend Seminar
- Sept. 12-13
Tampa Inshore Seminar
- Oct. 23-25
Keys Saltwater Weekend Seminar
- Nov. 21-22
St. Augustine Surf Fishing Academy



Sunday on the *CaribSea*: Erin Pyper, Parkland, FL; Amy Krueger, Parkland, FL; Robin Krueger, Parkland, FL; Maxine Taylor, Port Charlotte, FL; Jolene Chandler, Jacksonville, FL and Sara Reynolds, Ft. Myers, FL.



Saturday on the *CaribSea*: Zaida Diaz, Miami, FL; Sara Reynolds, Ft. Myers, FL; Jolene Chandler, Jacksonville, FL; Maryanne Vondertann, Ft. Lauderdale, FL and Maxine Taylor, Port Charlotte, FL.



On *Sea Horse*: Cathy Brewer, Key Largo, FL; Cecilia Cabieses, Plantation, FL; Marion Iglecia, Ft. Myers, FL; Deb Sekula, Melbourne, FL; Sarah Cayley, Ft. Myers, FL and Kathryn Burish, St. Cloud, FL.

For more info, contact: LLGF, phone 954-475-9068, fish@ladiesletsgofishing.com, or ladiesletsgofishing.com, or www.facebook.com/ladiesletsgofishing

Paraprozdokians

Paraprozdokians are figures of speech in which the latter part of a sentence or phrase is surprising and frequently funny.

1. Where there's a will, I want to be in it.

2. The last thing I want to do is hurt you... but it's still on my list.

3. I'm supposed to respect my elders, but it's getting harder and harder for me to find someone older than me.

4. If I agreed with you, we'd both be wrong.

5. We never really grow up; we only learn how to act in public.

6. War does not determine who is right, only who is left

7. Going to church doesn't make you a Christian, any more than standing in a garage makes you a car.

8. To steal ideas from one person is plagiarism. To steal from many is research.
9. I didn't say it was your fault, I said I was blaming you.

10. In filling out an application, where it says, "In case of an emergency, notify..." I answered "a doctor."

11. Women will never be equal to men until they can walk down the street with a bald head and a beer gut, and still think they are sexy.

12. You do not need a parachute to skydive. You only need a parachute to skydive twice.

13. I used to be indecisive, but now I'm not so sure.

14. To be sure of hitting the target, shoot first and call whatever you hit the target.

15. Knowledge is knowing a tomato is a fruit. Wisdom is not putting it in a fruit salad.

Salvation Army Family Store

MM 99 Bayside
Key Largo

SHOP • DONATE



THE SALVATION ARMY

DOING THE MOST GOOD

Visit the store, or call 305-872-5744 for prompt and courteous pickup

SHIPWRECKS

OPEN 11:00 AM to 9:30 PM EVERY DAY

Key Largo's HIDDEN TREASURE!

DAILY FOOD & DRINK SPECIALS

Sunday - Live Music 2-6 pm

WELCOME BACK

\$1 Drafts All Day

SATURDAY - PRIME RIB DINNER

HAPPY HOUR: 4-6 pm EVERY DAY

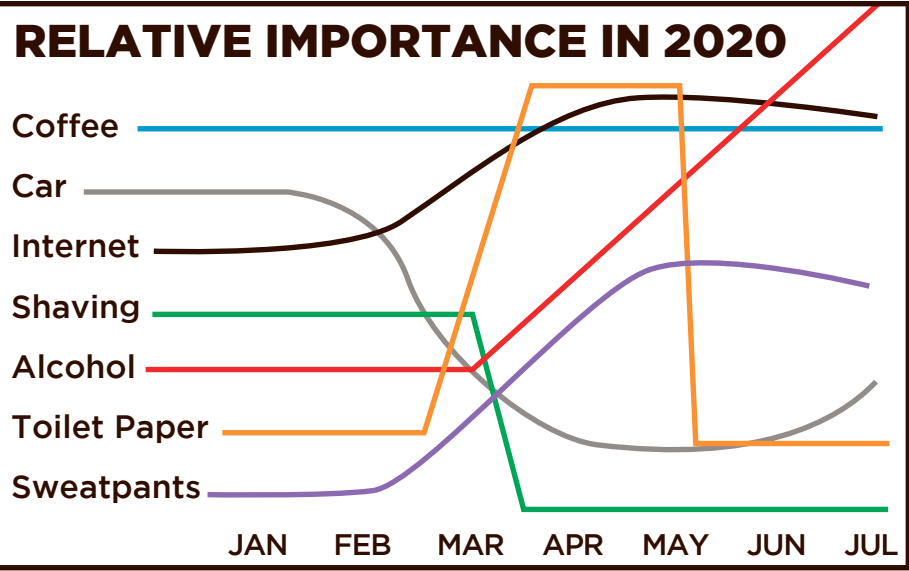
▶▶▶▶ \$1 Drafts ◀◀◀◀

LOCALS' FAVORITE

305-453-3153

45 Garden Cove Drive

MM 106



Early Fourth of July Celebrations

In the pre-Revolutionary years, colonists had held annual celebrations of the king's birthday, which traditionally included the ringing of bells, bonfires, processions and speechmaking. By contrast, during the summer of 1776 some colonists celebrated the birth of independence by holding mock funerals for King George III as a way of symbolizing the end of the monarchy's hold on America and the triumph of liberty.

Festivities including concerts, bonfires, parades and the firing of cannons and muskets usually accompanied the first public readings of the Declaration of Independence, beginning immediately after its adoption. Philadelphia held the first annual commemoration of independence on July 4, 1777, while Congress was still occupied with the ongoing war.

George Washington issued double rations of rum to all his soldiers to mark the anniversary of independence in 1778, and in 1781, several months before the key American victory at the Battle of Yorktown, and Massachusetts became the first state to make July 4th an official state holiday. It has been a federal holiday in the United States since 1941.



LOR-E-LEI

Restaurant & Cabana Bar

Look for the Mermaid at MM 82 Islamorada

Open 7 Days A Week

Breakfast 7 am - 10:45 am

Lunch from 11 am

Dinner from 4 pm

Live Music Every Night

Breakfast On The Bay

Fresh Seafood

Local Specialties

We'll Cook Your Catch

Fishing Guides Available

Amazing Sunsets

Pet Friendly

Daily Happy Hour

4-6 pm

\$3 Well Drinks

\$1 off Bottle Beers

\$1 off House Wines

\$1.25 Domestic Drafts

\$2.25 Specialty Drafts

WATERFRONT DINING

FREE WIFI PROPERTY WIDE • LOCALS' FAVORITE • LIVE MUSIC NIGHTLY!

Wear It

Face Coverings are mandatory

WEAR IN PUBLIC SETTINGS

over your nose AND mouth to reduce the spread of COVID-19.

ROUTINELY LAUNDRER AND MACHINE DRY

to disinfect.

DO NOT TOUCH

eyes, nose, or mouth when removing a face coverings and wash hands often.

RESTAURANTS

Facial coverings can be removed while eating and drinking in a restaurant, employees must keep them on the whole time.

FACIAL COVERINGS INCLUDE

scarfs, bandanas, handkerchief, buff, or other similar cloth covering.*

*SAVE N95 MASKS FOR MEDICAL PROFESSIONALS

It is now more important than ever to continue to wear a facial covering throughout the Florida Keys as required by Monroe County ordinance.





Do Facemasks Make Sense?


Let's explain it for dummies:

If we all run around naked and someone pees on you, you get wet right away.

If you are wearing pants, some pee will get through, but not as much. So you are better protected.

But if the guy who pees also is wearing pants, the pee stays with him and you do not get wet.

Is that clear enough?



American Legion Post 333 - Key Largo

We are OPEN for MEMBERS ONLY.

Daily 10am to 10pm Last call 9:45pm.

Closed to the public. Occupancy is limited to eleven members only on the inside bar & eleven members only on the patio bar.

You will be required to show your active membership card upon arrival.

It is mandatory you wear a mask on the entire property.

The health and safety of our members and employees are our top priority and we're committed to doing our part to help keep you safe.

2 Seagate Blvd. • MM 99.6 • Key Largo • 305-451-0307 • www.legionpost333.org

ART CAMP 2020

Painting, Drawing, Mosaic, Fused Glass, Ink Watercolor & Watercolor

Mixed-Media Art Projects and so MUCH MORE!

NO EXPERIENCE NEEDED ALL TOOLS & SUPPLIES PROVIDED

Space is limited - call today!

Mariela Estevez 954-226-7036 / 305-998-4581

Location: 95550 Overseas Hwy Key Largo, FL

July 6th thru August 13th

KIDS 5 TO 11

TEENS 12-14

July 6th thru August 13th

KIDS 5 TO 11

TEENS 12-14



ACTIVITIES AT THE LODGE

- **Starting Friday the 3rd of July:**
Friday Night Karaoke Returns—Starts at 7:30 pm
- **4th of July -Picnic**
The Kitchen is Open—Wear your Red White & Blue
- **Starting Sunday the 5th of July:**
Bingo—From 5pm to 7pm Returns
- **Starting Monday the 6th of July:**
Line Dancing Lessons Returns
Starts at 5 pm and the cost is \$5.00
- **Starting the 12th of July:**
Sunday Brunches from 10 am to 2 pm
- **Wednesdays—Members Only—Queen of Hearts**
Fun Starts at 6 pm and the Drawing is at 7:30 pm \$20, 742.00
- **Thursday Evenings - Initiations and Meeting**
Chef Clark is serving nightly - Ocean Bay Café

MM 92.6 Bayside • Tavernier • 305-852-1872
www.floridakeyselks1872.com

the Buzzards Roost
FULL LIQUOR BAR

Come by Land or Sea • In the Garden Cove Marina
*Enjoy Casual Waterfront Dining at its Finest!

Waterfront Dining • Indoors or Outdoors

• Open 7 Days •
Champagne Sunday Brunch

2014 Winner
Certificate of Excellence

FEATURING FRESH FLORIDA **LOBSTER**

- Fresh, Local Seafood
- Steaks & Ribs
- Conch Chowder & Key Lime Pie

305-453-3746 • buzzardsroostkeylargo.com
MM 106.5 Oceanside
21 Garden Cove Dr. • Key Largo

ENRICO'S
NEW YORK STYLE PIZZERIA

New York Style Pizzeria

TAKE OUT • DELIVERY
Plus 50% capacity inside & outdoor seating

PIZZA • ITALIAN SPECIALTIES • GREAT FOOD

"So Good It'll Make Your Tongue Slap Your Brain"

Our second Florida Keys location

MM 88.8 Bayside, Islamorada
305-852-2200



ENRICO'S
NEW YORK STYLE PIZZERIA

New York Style Pizzeria

TAKE OUT • DELIVERY
Plus 50% capacity inside & outdoor seating

PIZZA • ITALIAN SPECIALTIES • GREAT FOOD

"So Good It'll Make Your Tongue Slap Your Brain"

Our second Florida Keys location

MM 88.8 Bayside, Islamorada
305-852-2200

the Buzzards Roost
FULL LIQUOR BAR

Come by Land or Sea • In the Garden Cove Marina
*Enjoy Casual Waterfront Dining at its Finest!

Waterfront Dining • Indoors or Outdoors

• Open 7 Days •
Champagne Sunday Brunch

2014 Winner
Certificate of Excellence

FEATURING FRESH FLORIDA **LOBSTER**

- Fresh, Local Seafood
- Steaks & Ribs
- Conch Chowder & Key Lime Pie

305-453-3746 • buzzardsroostkeylargo.com
MM 106.5 Oceanside
21 Garden Cove Dr. • Key Largo

Tiki Bar, Game Nights, Dinners & Fun!

Members and Guests Welcome

Check our Facebook page for more events.

Join Us!

Checkout our gorgeous new **Tiki Bar!**
open Sat. & Sun. 2 pm until...

We are now a non smoking facility

- Sundays 7pm**
"Show Me the Moosebucks"
- Mondays 7pm**
Bingo
- Tuesdays 7pm**
"Show Me the Moosebucks"
- Wednesdays 7pm**
Live Music & Queen of Hearts
Plus! Pool Tournament
- Fridays 7pm**
Left, Right, Center

KEY LARGO MOOSE LODGE
BAR TIKI FOOD MOTEL

#2287

MM 98.8 **JOIN TODAY & STAY!** 305-451-1333

mile marker 98.8 in the median



ACTIVITIES AT THE LODGE

- **Starting Friday the 3rd of July:**
Friday Night Karaoke Returns—Starts at 7:30 pm
- **4th of July -Picnic**
The Kitchen is Open—Wear your Red White & Blue
- **Starting Sunday the 5th of July:**
Bingo—From 5pm to 7pm Returns
- **Starting Monday the 6th of July:**
Line Dancing Lessons Returns
Starts at 5 pm and the cost is \$5.00
- **Starting the 12th of July:**
Sunday Brunches from 10 am to 2 pm
- **Wednesdays—Members Only—Queen of Hearts**
Fun Starts at 6 pm and the Drawing is at 7:30 pm \$20, 742.00
- **Thursday Evenings - Initiations and Meeting**
Chef Clark is serving nightly - Ocean Bay Café

MM 92.6 Bayside • Tavernier • 305-852-1872
www.floridakeyselks1872.com

COLORFUL



WE LIKE COLORFUL!

The Coconut Telegraph now has more color pages than ever before. Enjoy it, and if you're an advertiser, (or would like to be), call us to find out what your ad would cost in color. It's surprisingly affordable!
305-304-2837

Attention Seekers: We all know at least one.

An emotionally immature person has low levels of self-esteem and self-confidence and consequently feels insecure; to counter these feelings of insecurity they will spend a large proportion of their lives creating situations in which they become the center of attention. It may be that the need for attention is inversely proportional to emotional maturity, therefore anyone indulging in attention-seeking behaviors is telling you how emotionally immature they are.

Attention-seeking behavior is surprisingly common. Being the center of attention alleviates feelings of insecurity and inadequacy but the relief is temporary as the underlying problem remains unaddressed: low self-confidence and low self-esteem, and consequent low levels of self-worth and self-love.

The sufferer: This might include feigning or exaggerating illness, playing on an injury, or perhaps causing or inviting injury. The attention-seeker excels in manipulating people through their emotions, especially that of guilt. It's very difficult not to feel sorry for someone who relates a plausible tale of suffering in a sob story or "poor me" drama.

The rescuer: She's the one who will dash in and "rescue" people whenever the moment is opportune - to herself, that is. She then gains gratification from basking in the glory of her humanitarian actions. She will prey on any person suffering misfortune, infirmity, illness, injury, or anyone who has a

vulnerability. The act of rescue and thus the opportunities for gaining attention can be enhanced if others are excluded from the act of rescue; this helps create a dependency relationship between the rescuer and rescued which can be exploited for further acts of rescue (and attention) later.

The organizer: She may present herself as the one in charge, the one organizing everything, the one who is reliable and dependable, the one people can always turn to. However, the objective is not to assist people (this is only a means to an end) but to always be the center of attention.

The manipulator: She may exploit family relationships, manipulating others with guilt and distorting perceptions; although she may not harm people physically, she causes everyone to suffer from an emotional injury. A common attention-seeking ploy is to claim she is being persecuted, victimized, excluded, isolated or ignored.

The drama queen: Every incident or opportunity, no matter how insignificant, is exploited, exaggerated and if necessary distorted to become an event of dramatic proportions. Everything is elevated to crisis proportions.

The busy bee: This individual is the busiest person in the world if her constant retelling of her life is to be believed. Everyday events which are regarded as normal by normal people take on epic proportions as everyone is invited to simultaneously admire and commiserate with this oh-so-busy person who never has a moment to herself, never has time to sit down, etc. She's never too busy, though, to tell you how busy she is.

The feigner: When called to account and outwitted, the person instinctively uses the denial - counterattack - feigning victimhood strategy to manipulate everyone present, especially bystanders and those in authority. The most effective method of feigning victimhood is to burst into tears, for most people's instinct is to feel sorry for them, to put their arm round them or offer them a tissue.

The false confessor: this person confesses to crimes they haven't committed in order to gain attention from the police and the media. In some cases people have confessed to being serial killers, even though they cannot provide any substantive evidence of their crimes. Often they will confess to crimes which have just been reported in the

media. Some individuals are known to the police as serial confessors. The false confessor is different from a person who makes a false confession and admits to a crime of which they are accused because of emotional pressure and inappropriate interrogation tactics.

The abused: a person claims they are the victim of abuse, sexual abuse, rape, etc. as a way of gaining attention for themselves. Crimes like abuse and rape are difficult to prove at the best of times and their incidence is so common that it is easy to make a plausible claim as a way of gaining attention.

The victim: she may intentionally create acts of harassment against herself, for example; send herself hate mail or damage her own possessions in an attempt to incriminate a fellow employee, a family member, neighbor, etc. Scheming, cunning, devious, deceptive and manipulative, she will identify her "harasser" and produce circumstantial evidence in support of her claim. She will revel in the attention she gains and use her glib charm to plausibly dismiss any suggestion that she herself may be responsible. However, a background check may reveal that this is not the first time she has had this happen to her.

What can you do? Don't feed the behavior by participating in the drama. Be aware when you're getting sucked in and nip it in the bud. A mental health professional can offer longer-term guidance and help.

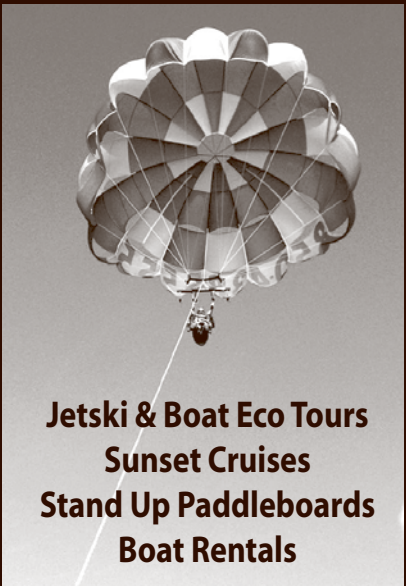


PIRATES COVE WATERSPORTS

Key Largo Bay Marriott Beach Resort, 103800 Overseas Hwy.

www.pcwatersports.com

305-453-9881



Jet ski & Boat Eco Tours
Sunset Cruises
Stand Up Paddleboards
Boat Rentals

KEYS ADVENTURES

Jimmy Johnson's Big Chill, 104000 Overseas Highway

www.keysadventureswatersports.com

305-731-9472

OCEAN BAY CAFÉ

Now open
for members and guests
at the Elks Lodge #1872
92600 Overseas Hwy, Tavernier

Meal Plans Available

Order By Thursday for Sunday Pickup or Monday Delivery.
Prices range \$9.50 to \$12.50 per meal.

Menus available on Mondays on our Facebook page:



Facebook: Ocean Bay Dining

oceanbaydining@gmail.com

Chef Clark Huff, C.E.C., C.C.A

501-626-2424

Adopt a Key Largo Animal Shelter Pet

Meet a few of the animals who are currently available for adoption at the Key Largo Animal Shelter. If you are interested in taking one of these adorable furry friends home, stop by or call. The Shelter is located at mile marker 106 Oceanside; phone 305-451-0088.



Binx



Rocky



Daphne



Panda



Dara



Pumpkin



Lawrence



Diana Dexter Daisy



Jewel



Donovan

The Mangrove Galley
by Sandi Mieszczeni



It came out in conversation last week that we had not had fresh spinach in a while. I recalled reading about a spinach soup some months ago and decided to come up with my own version. The following dish is healthy, easy and delicious.

Sandi’s recipes are featured here monthly.
For previous issues go to theconchtelegraph.com

WHITE BEAN AND SPINACH SOUP

- 1 large chicken breast diced into ½ inch cubes
- 1 cup chopped celery
- 1 cup sliced carrot
- 1 cup sliced onion
- 1 bag fresh baby spinach (5 to 9 oz. bag)
- 32 oz. carton of chicken broth
- 1 chicken bouillon cube dissolved in a cup of water
- 1 15 oz. can of white beans drained and rinsed
- 1 Tbls. Italian seasoning
- 4 cloves of garlic finely chopped
- fresh ground pepper to taste
- 1 Tbls. olive oil
- 1 Tbls. butter

Heat the oil and butter in a large sauce pan and add the celery, carrot, onion and garlic, stirring until the mixture begins to soften. Dissolve the bouillon cube in a cup of boiling water. If you are following a salt reduction program you can skip this ingredient. Pour the chicken broth and the cup of bouillon into the sauce pan with the Italian seasoning and bring to a boil. Remove from the heat and let stand for 15 to 20 minutes so the flavors can mesh. Return to the heat and bring to a boil. Add the beans and chicken, stirring frequently and checking for the meat to just turn white. Be careful as this happens quickly. Stir in the bag of spinach and cook until just wilted. Top with the pepper to taste and serve with a slice or two of garlic bread. Enjoy!

Conch Characters / Around Town



Keys Adventure Watersports at MM 104 Bayside — get out in the fresh air and have some fun!



One of the most-loved Conch Characters ever, Capt Skip Bradeen. Photo by Marilee Free.



Uncle Rico at the Big Chill.



Lorelei sunset by Ron LeBrun, goes great with a cocktail...



Big Chill tiki hats now on sale, stop by.



Sign at Key Largo Conch House. Wear a smile under it!

COCONUT TELEGRAPH CLASSIFIED ADS

BUYING

WE BUY COINS
No collection too large or too small. We pay cash on the spot and we offer private consultation in our location or yours.
Call Bill 305.942.0911.

Buyers agent is buying Vintage Costume Jewelry
Call & leave msg. 305-304-2837

Classified ads will not be accepted without payment.

SERVICES

House Cleaning
call Danielle 305-393-2728

VESSEL SAFETY
The USCG Auxiliary conducts vessel safety checks at Blackwater Sound Marina, MM 103.8 Bayside, every third Saturday of the month.Public welcome. 305-998-8400

MUSICIANS
Amateur & seasoned musicians wanted!
The Keys Community Concert Band
begins rehearsals in the fall. More info call 305-451-4530.

CLUBS

THE KEY PLAYERS
Community Theater Group needs volunteers to work behind the scenes & audition for roles!
thekeyplayers.org

HECKLERS ANONYMOUS
Meets Wednesday nights, 7pm, at the Civic Center, MM 110.
Bring your own boos.

GET CLASSIFIED
\$10 per col. inch per month!
MUST BE PAID IN ADVANCE
Classified Display Space \$15/in.
Drop off ad and payment at
The UPS STORE
101425 Overseas Highway
Next to Publix at Tradewinds
Questions? 305-304-2837

NEW BUSINESS

NEW IN KEY LARGO
A group of recent Coral Shores graduates are opening a chiropractic business at MM 109 and calling it the "Back Straight Boys"


Selling chicken Teddy bears (Homemade, I make them myself) Chickens have lots of extra parts when you are preparing them. So I can make a bear out of 2 chickens.
\$25 if you supply chicken \$35 if I provide the chicken
EDIBLE - CAN BE COOKED ONCE THE KIDS ARE DONE PLAYING WITH IT!
IT'S A GREAT FAMILY ACTIVITY!

FOR SALE

Hello, my name is **Inigo Montoya.**
There is a garage sale at MM 78 on the 25th.
Prepare to Buy!

For Sale: Wedding Dress
Only used once, by mistake!

HOT TUB
One man, seven women capacity hot tub. \$850 or best offer. 305-555-TUBS

PARACHUTE
Used only once, never opened. Small stain.

The Job Interview

We’ve all been interviewed for jobs. And, we’ve all spent most of those interviews thinking about what not to do. Don’t bite your nails. Don’t fidget. Don’t interrupt. Don’t belch. If we did any of the don’ts, we knew we’d disqualify ourselves instantly. But some job applicants go light years beyond this. We surveyed top personnel executives of 100 major American corporations and asked for stories of unusual behavior by applicants. The lowlights:

- "...stretched out on the floor to fill out the job application."
- "She wore a Walkman and said she could listen to me and the music at the same time."
- "A balding candidate abruptly excused himself. Returned to office a few minutes later, wearing a hairpiece."
- "...asked to see interviewer's resume to see if the personnel executive was qualified to judge the candidate."
- "...announced she hadn't had lunch and proceeded to eat a hamburger and french fries in the interviewer's office - wiping the ketchup on her sleeve."
- "Stated that, if he were hired, he would demonstrate his loyalty by having the corporate logo tattooed on his forearm."
- "Interrupted to phone his therapist for advice on answering specific interview questions."
- "When I asked him about his hobbies, he stood up and started tap dancing around my office."
- "At the end of the interview, while I stood there dumbstruck, he went through my purse, took out a brush, brushed his hair, and left."
- "...pulled out a Polaroid camera and snapped a flash picture of me. Said he collected photos of everyone who interviewed him."
- "Said he wasn't interested because the position paid too much."
- "While I was on a long-distance phone call, the applicant took out a copy of Penthouse, and looked through the photos only, stopping longest at the centerfold."



"During the interview, an alarm clock went off from the candidate's brief case. He took it out, shut it off, apologized and said he had to leave for another interview."

"A telephone call came in for the job applicant. It was from his wife. His side of the conversation went like this: 'Which company? When do I start? What's the salary?' I said, 'I assume you're not interested in conducting the interview any further.' He promptly responded, 'I am as long as you'll pay me more.' I didn't hire him, but later found out there was no other job offer. It was a scam to get a higher offer."

"His attache (case) opened when he picked it up and the contents spilled, revealing ladies' underwear, assorted makeup and perfume."

"Candidate said he really didn't want to get a job, but the unemployment office needed proof that he was looking for one."

"...asked who the lovely babe was, pointing to the picture on my desk. When I said it was my wife, he asked if she was home now and wanted my phone number. I called security."

"Pointing to a black case he carried into my office, he said that if he was not hired, the bomb would go off. Disbelieving, I said why he would never be hired and that I was going to call the police. He then reached down to the case, flipped a switch, and ran. No one was injured, but I did need to get a new desk."

You Can Trust The Professionals at

WHEATON'S
MV10170
SERVICE CENTER
Quality Service Since 1972

**AMERICAN & FOREIGN CARS, TRUCKS
S.U.V.s, VANS, TRAILERS & R.V.s**

- Certified Mechanics
- Exhaust Systems
- Brakes
- Tune-Ups
- Tire Sales & Repairs
- Air Conditioning
- Coolant & Transmission Flushes
- Regular & Synthetic Oil Changes

MINOR & MAJOR REPAIRS

305-451-3500

MM 101.5 • KEY LARGO

ON THE MAP

SERVING THE KEYS FOR MORE THAN 40 YEARS

HUGE Selection of Stainless Fasteners Award Winning Customer Service

KLI
SHELL LUMBER

Bath & Door Showroom Pressure Treated Lumber

**BUILDING MATERIALS • REBAR
PLUMBING • ELECTRICAL
LAWN & GARDEN • DRYWALL**

Visit our New Boutique
Now Open
Designer Lighting
Home Decor • Ceramic Pottery

305.451.0311 SPECIAL ORDERS
If we don't have it, we can order it!

Mon-Fri: 7am-5pm • Sat: 7:30am-5pm • Sun: 9am-5pm

MM102.5 OCEANSIDE • WWW.KLISHELL.COM

ON THE MAP

Open Late!

SHARKNAP PUB

KEY LARGO

522 Caribbean Drive • 305.453.1905

Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner
Featuring Fresh Local Fish

Live Music
Happy Hour Every Day
Craft Beer
Sports Headquarters

Locals' Favorite! On the Water

ON THE MAP

Key Largo

In Key Largo, we navigate by Mile Markers! Look for the little green signs and mile indicators on power poles to find your way.

Legend

- U.S. Highway
- State Highway
- Boat Ramp
- Mile Marker
- Point of Interest
- Dive Site
- Dive Wreck
- Swim with Dolphins

Map showing Key Largo with various landmarks and mile markers.

This Space Available

The Conch Republic
COCONUT TELEGRAPH
Call Denise at 305-304-2837 for rates & info

The Conch Republic
COCONUT TELEGRAPH

RATES
KEY LARGO MAP PAGE

Vertical:
2.44" wide x 4.5" tall
\$125 per month

Horizontal:
4.5" wide x 2.75" tall
\$150 per month

Bottom Banner:
9.75" wide x 2.75" tall
\$225 per month

Surprisingly Affordable!

Do you...

- Tend to procrastinate?
- Have difficulty finishing or starting a project?
- Get distracted easily?
- Get impatient quickly?
- Zone out when people are talking to you?
- Have trouble following directions?
- Have trouble concentrating on one thing at a time?
- Get bored easily?
- Have lots of racing thoughts?
- Misplace things at home or work?

If you answered yes to most of these questions and are concerned about it you should talk to your doctor. For those of us who live with the disorder here is a little humor that only we will find funny.

I HAVE ADD AND OCD, SO EVERYTHING HAS TO BE PERFECT, BUT NOT FOR LONG.

All these jokes about ADD would probably piss me off if I ever paid enough attention to see how they end.

My ADHD makes it hard to focus and focus sounds like hocus pocus and I really like magic a whole whole lot. Abracadabra.

I've got PMS, OCD, and ADD. I want to cry and look pretty while I kill everyone, but I can't focus on that right now, I'm cleaning.

AD+HD
HIGHWAY TO HEY LOOK A SQUIRREL

Attention Deficit Disorder Test

You Know You Have ADD when...

You are in bed making passionate love and all of a sudden it hits you... and you blurt out "Beige! Lets paint the ceiling beige!"

Your suitcase is still unpacked from the trip you took 2 months ago and you don't care.

You go to the grocery store for a loaf of bread, you end up spending \$200 and forget to buy the bread.

You are searching desperately for your cell phone only to find its in your other hand.

You go to work and discover you have 2 different color shoes on.

Someone asks you how old you are and you have to subtract your birth year from the current year but you have to ask what year it is first.

You have an IQ of 140 but people still call you a "space cadet".

You have a thousand dollars in your checking account but your phone, electricity, cable TV and water get shut off more than 5 times a year for non-payment.

You cannot sit in a meeting or even church without doodling and absolutely EVERYTHING you own has doodles all over it!

You can't organize your own stuff but other peoples disorganization drives you crazy.

You realize that waiting until the last minute is the best motivation.

You made a great lunch but forgot to take it to work.

You carry your trash all the way to the bus stop.

You stop in mid-sentence and have no idea what you were talking about or what to say next.

Other people think you are crazy and you think they are boring.

You put something in a safe place and never find it again.

You wonder why your electric bill is so high and then you realize that the oven has been on all month.

Your wife asks you to go and get her migraine medicine and you take it yourself.

Your purse is stuffed to the max and you keep buying bigger purses till you finally realize no purse will ever be big enough.

You still have an uncashed paycheck from a job you did 2 years ago.

You make "clear" coffee at least once a week.

You can't get it together to send in a rebate form because you can never get the receipt, UPC code and rebate form all together at one time.

You leave for work and turn around to return for the things you forgot 3 times.

You'd rather poke your eye out with a stick than wait in line.

You might have ADD if you can actually laugh at these one liners.



High Tide Restaurant

NOW OPEN FOR DINNER, and Sundays 'til 5pm

Delivery or take out - breakfast, lunch & dinner.

We have food, beer, free ice, and a free dessert with orders over \$20.

BREAKFAST UNTIL 2PM DAILY

305-453-2660

99411 OVERSEAS HWY • FORMERLY DJ'S DINER

LOCALLY OWNED

ON THE MAP

Global Facts About Sex

At any given moment:

FACT: 79,000,000 people are having sex right now.

FACT: 58,000,000 are kissing.

FACT: 37,000,000 are relaxing after sex

FACT: 1 Keys person is reading the Coconut Telegraph.

You hang in there, sunshine!

Coco'Nut' Funnies

My wife yelled from upstairs and asked, “Do you ever get a shooting pain across your body, like someone’s got a voodoo doll of you and they’re stabbing it?” Sounding concerned, I replied, “No...” She responded, “How about now?”

Q: If 2020 was a drink, what would it be?

A: Colonoscopy prep

(90 days from now)

Person #1: Hey, want to go with me to the DMV then swing by jury duty and a first grade concert?

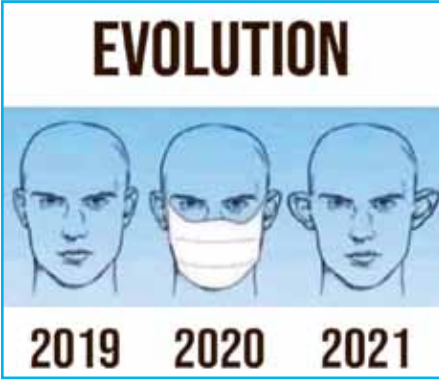
Person #2: Hell yeah I do!!



Ripping off your mask when you get back in the car is the new taking off your bra when you get home



Went to Publix tonight and y’all should’ve seen all the commotion. Aunt Jemima, Mrs. Butterworth, and Uncle Ben were protesting, Texas Pete and Capt. Morgan were getting drunk, Little Debbie was working the corner, and Jimmy Dean was showing everybody his sausage. The world has gone crazy.



Dear July,
I don't want any trouble from you.
Just come in, sit down, don't touch anything, and keep your mouth shut.

After seeing half a country actively reject wearing a mask during a pandemic, I would like to apologize to the filmmakers of every horror movie ever made for calling their characters unbelievably dumb for going into the murder basement.

Got up this morning and ran around the block 5 times. Then I got tired, so I picked up the block and put it back in the toy box.



Has Covid-19 forced you to wear glasses & a mask at the same time? You may be entitled to condensation.

We're gonna have to retire the expression "avoid it like the plague," because it turns out, we humans do not do that.



A monkey is smoking a joint

A monkey is sitting in a tree, smoking a joint, when a lizard walks past. The lizard looks up and says “Hey! what are you doing?” The monkey says “Smoking a joint, come up and join me”

So the lizard climbs up and sits next to the monkey and they have another joint. After a while the lizard says his mouth is ‘dry’, and that he’s going to get a drink from the river.

At the riverbank, the lizard is so stoned that he leans too far over and falls in. A Crocodile sees this and swims over to the stoned lizard, helping him to the side.

He then asks the lizard, “What’s the matter with you?!” The lizard explains to the crocodile that he was sitting in the tree, smoking a joint with the monkey and his mouth got dry, and that he was so wasted that, when he went to get a drink from the river, he fell in!

The inquisitive crocodile says he has to check this out. He walks into the jungle and finds the tree where the monkey is sitting, finishing a joint.

He looks up and says “Hey, monkey!”

The Monkey looks down and says “ duuude How much water did you drink?!!!”

I work out almost every day!

I almost worked out Monday, I almost worked out Tuesday...

If you have ever baited a hook, rinsed your hands in the water and popped a beer, fired up a joint, then ate a sandwich, you're immune to the 'rona!

I'm one more missed haircut away from buying some AquaNet and an 1800-watt blowdryer, and cranking my hair up to 1986.

“Some people call me the space cowboy”

leans in

“Some people call me the gangster of love”

BARISTA: I'm just gonna put Steve on the cup.

Having some states lock down and some states not lock down is like having a peeing section in a swimming pool.



I was in the McDonald’s drive-through this morning and the young lady behind me leaned on her horn because I was taking too long to place my order.

“Take the high road,” I thought to myself. So when I got to the first window I paid for her order along with my own.

The cashier must have told her what I’d done because as we moved up she leaned out her window and waved to me and mouthed “Thank you,” obviously embarrassed that I had repaid her rudeness with kindness.

When I got to the second window I showed them both receipts and took her food too. Now she has to go back to the end of the line to start all over.

Don’t honk your horn at old people.

SOME OF Y'ALL GOT SPAGHETTI SAUCE STUCK IN YOUR MICROWAVE SINCE 1996 AND YOU'RE IN A STORE ACTING LIKE A FOOL OVER LYSOL

Peasants in 2020



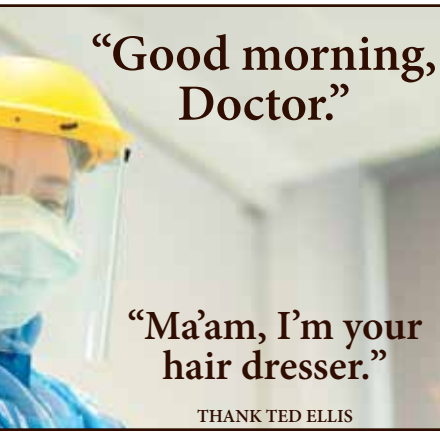
My face mask hides my resting bitch face and unfortunately now people think I'm approachable.

After watching how some people wear their masks, I understand why contraception fails.

Under the current guidelines your milkshake is only permitted to bring 9 boys to the yard, max.

What’s the difference between a kleptomaniac and a literalist?

The literalist takes things literally. The kleptomaniac takes things, literally.



One day Doug didn’t show up at the park. Bob didn’t think much about it and figured maybe he had a cold or something.

But after Doug hadn’t shown up for a week or so, Bob really got worried. However, since the only time they ever got together was at the park, Bob didn’t know where Doug lived, so he was unable to find out what had happened to him.

A month had passed, and Bob figured he had seen the last of Doug, but one day, Bob approached the park and -- lo and behold -- there sat Doug!

Bob was very excited and happy to see him and told him so. Then he said, ‘For crying out loud Doug, what in the world happened to you?’

Doug replied, ‘I have been in jail.’

‘Jail!’ cried Bob. What in the world for?’

‘Well,’ Doug said, ‘you know Jane, that cute little blonde waitress at the coffee shop where I sometimes go?’

‘Yeah,’ said Bob, ‘I remember her. What about her?’

‘Well, one day she filed rape charges against me; and, at 89 years old, I was so proud that when I got into court, I pleaded ‘guilty’.

‘The damn judge gave me 30 days for perjury.’

Embracing Your Muse

Nearly all creative possibilities are related to the muses that inspire us.



Inspiration is an intangible yet inseparable part of the creative process. Nearly all creative possibilities are related to the muses that inspire us. The ancient Greeks believed that all creation, whether artistic or scientific in nature, was motivated by goddesses who served as the literal embodiment of inspiration. These were the Muses--the givers of the creative spark. We still rely on muses to drive the creative process, though ours may take a diverse range of forms. People we meet, intriguing ideas, movies, books, nature, and cultural ideals all have the potential to awaken our imaginative minds. When we are touched by our muses, we understand viscerally that we are capable of producing our own unique kind of greatness.

Many people move through life unaware of the presence of their muse. This lack of awareness can be compounded by the fact that we may have one muse that remains with us throughout our lives, multiple muses that inspire us concurrently, several muses that come and go as necessary, or a single

muse that touches us briefly at specific moments. You will know that you have found your muse when you encounter a force that makes you feel courageous enough to broaden the range of your creativity. The presence of this force will erase your self-doubt and motivate you to give your thoughts and feelings form. Should your muse continue to elude you, however, there are steps you can take to increase your chances of falling under its inspired influence. If you surround yourself with people who support you, keep a pen and paper handy, immerse yourself in culture, and brainstorm frequently, you will soon reconnect with your muse.

Once you have identified your muse, embrace it by giving yourself over to the creative inspiration it provides. No matter what you are moved to create, you will find that neither fear nor criticism can penetrate the wonderful bliss that goes hand in hand with the act of taking an idea and turning it into something the whole world can enjoy.

Reprinted from DailyOM - Inspirational thoughts for a happy, healthy and fulfilling day. Register for free at www.dailyom.com

Phlorida Keys Phobias

- Fear of stinky people - Autodysomophobia
- Fear of the ocean or sea - Thalassophobia
- Strangers or foreigners - Xenophobia
- Sun or sunlight - Heliophobia
- Sunshine or daylight - Phengophobia
- Hurricanes - Lilapsophobia
- Women - Gynophobia
- Long words - Hippopotomonstrosquipedaliophobia
- Alcohol - Potophobia
- Bridges - Gephyrophobia
- Fear of cold - Frigophobia
- Drinking - Dipsophobia
- Drugs - Pharmacophobia
- Trailer Fires - Arsonophobia
- Fear of hearing good news - Euphobia
- Fear of becoming homosexual - Homophobia
- Insanity - Maniaphobia
- Music - Melophobia
- Marriage - Gamophobia
- Fear of phobias - Phobophobia
- Sex - Genophobia
- Shellfish - Ostrakonophobia
- Fear of slime - Myxophobia
- Time or clocks - Chronophobia
- Getting wrinkles -Rhytipobia
- Writing - Graphophobia
- *Fear of crack heads - Pipeaphobia
- *Wrinkled old prostitutes - Hagaslutaphobia
- *Toothless people - Gumaphobia
- *Fear of musicians - Jamaphobia
- *Fear of newspapers - Coconuttelegraphaphobia
- *Fear of oil in the ocean - BParedicksaphobia

A man went to a psychiatrist for his phobia.

"Doc," he said, "I've got trouble. Every time I get into bed, I think there's somebody under it. I get under the bed, I think there's somebody on top of it. Top, under, top, under. You gotta help me, I'm going crazy!"

"Just put yourself in my hands for two years," said the shrink, "Come to me three times a week, and I'll cure your fears."

"How much do you charge?"

"A hundred dollars per visit."

"I'll sleep on it," said the man.

Six months later the doctor met the man on the street.

"Why didn't you ever come to see me again?" asked the psychiatrist.

"For a hundred bucks a visit? A bartender cured me for ten dollars."

"Is that so! How?"

"He told me to cut the legs off the bed!"

* We made these ones up.

Note to self:

Your neighbors do not find it amusing when you put on your renaissance outfit and roll your wheelbarrow through the street calling to "bring out yer dead!" at 7 am.

Take it easy people.
Pretty soon you'll be able to kiss and have sex with the one you love.

But for now, just stay home and do it with the one you're married to.

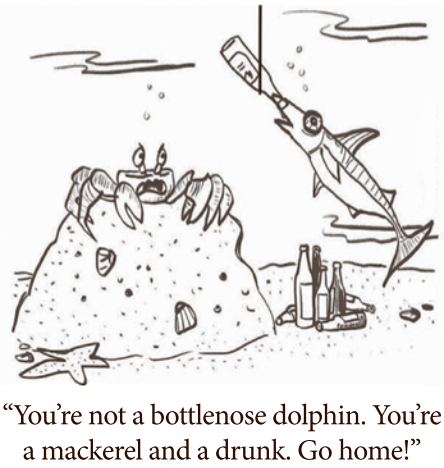
LADIES

TIME TO START DATING THE OLDER DUDES

THEY CAN GET YOU IN THE GROCERY STORE EARLY



After all of this has wound down we should honor truck drivers with a holiday on October 4th. A Big 10:4 if you will.



BUSINESS IN THE KEYS

24-HR SERVICE

RAY

NATIONWIDE
PLUMBING SERVICES

Commercial & Residential • State Certified Contractor
CFC057546 / Licensed & Insured
CERTIFIED MASTER PLUMBER SPECIALIST
info@nwpflkeys.com

Office: (305) 853-1848
Cell: (305) 772-4580

97671 Overseas Hwy
Key Largo, FL 33037

Al's Carpet

We are MORE than just Carpet!

Carpet • Area Rugs
Tile • Vinyl • Wood
Laminate • Shutters
Window Coverings

(305) 451-4460
99264 Overseas Hwy • Key Largo • Bayside

FLORIDA KEYS
FOOD TOURS

Local Food History Tales Art
(and the Rayburns)

VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR TOUR INFO AND TICKETS
www.flkeysfoodtours.com
305.393.9183 flkeysfoodtours@gmail.com

The Conch Republic
COCONUT TELEGRAPH
Independently Owned Local Newspaper

Denise Malefy
PUBLISHER
305.304.2837
www.TheConchTelegraph.com
TheConchTelegraph@gmail.com
101425 Overseas Hwy., PMB #628
Key Largo, Florida Keys 33037

LEE HANDYMAN
REPAIR • MAINT • HOME

135 S Rolling Hill Rd
Tavernier FL 33070
949-295-0173

Barbara Eads
GRI, CRS,TRC, CIPS, CLHMS, SFR, REOS
Licensed Real Estate Broker

Barbara Eads Realty, Inc.
91770 Overseas Highway
Tavernier, FL 33070
Off: (305) 853-5982
Cell: (305) 586-7326
Fax: (305) 853-5987
Email: Barbara@keysforsale.com
Website: www.keysforsale.com

Advertise Here
\$30 per month
(4 MONTH MINIMUM, PAID IN ADVANCE)

Drop off check and biz card to
The UPS Store, MM 101.4 Oceanside
next to Publix in the Tradewinds Plaza.

Quality Web design at affordable rates.

Upper Keys Web Design

Web Design
Website Renovations
E-Commerce
Maintenance

Omar Perez
info@upperkeys.net
305.453.4281
www.upperkeys.net

Advertise Here
\$30 per month
(4 MONTH MINIMUM, PAID IN ADVANCE)

Drop off check and biz card to
The UPS Store, MM 101.4 Oceanside
next to Publix in the Tradewinds Plaza.

KEYS
SMARTPHONE REPAIR

PHONES FIXED FAST
VICTOR FIGUEROA
Owner

305-896-1675 call or text
KeysPhoneRepair@gmail.com
KeysSmartphoneRepair.com
90270 Overseas Hwy., Tavernier, FL 33070
Inside the Marathon Gas Station at mm90 Bayside

Advertise Here
\$30 per month
(4 MONTH MINIMUM, PAID IN ADVANCE)

Drop off check and biz card to
The UPS Store, MM 101.4 Oceanside
next to Publix in the Tradewinds Plaza.

GRAPHIC DESIGN
PRE-PRESS SPECIALIST
Brochures • Rack Cards
Camera Ready Art • Logos

SUE BEAL
305.451.4601
FAX: 305.451.3165
beal_s@bellsouth.net

ISLAND INFORMATION SERVICES
219 SECOND STREET • KEY LARGO, FLORIDA 33037

LOR·E·LEI

Islamorada
Restaurant & Cabana Bar
MM82 at the Mermaid



Nightly SUNSET CELEBRATION!

Voted the best sunset
location year after year!

LoreleiCabanaBar.com 305-664-2692

Lorelei can host private parties, weddings and rehearsal dinners. See our website for details.

Happy Hour

7 days • 4-6pm



- \$3 Well Drinks
- \$1 off Bottle Beers
- \$1 off House Wines
- \$1.25 Domestic Drafts
- \$2.25 Specialty Drafts

Open for Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner • 7am-10pm
Enjoy breakfast on the deck overlooking the water.
Enjoy lunch or dinner on the beach.



The Rockin' Magic of **MICHAEL TRIXX**
Most MONDAYS • WEDNESDAYS • FRIDAYS at Sunset

This Month's Live Entertainment and Events at the Lorelei						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
LIVE MUSIC 7 DAYS A WEEK!	"SUNDAY SCHOOL" with \$3 Bloody Marys, Mimosas & Screwdrivers every Sunday, 7 to 11 am		1 Webb & Davidson 6-10pm <i>Michael Trixx @ Sunset</i>	2 Webb & Davidson 6-10pm	3 Taylor King Band 6-10pm <i>Michael Trixx @ Sunset</i>	4 *SPECIAL EVENT* The Flyers 6-10pm <small>Voted Best Band in Broward and Palm Beach Counties</small>
5 Webb & Davidson 6-10pm	6 The Carousers 6-10pm <i>Michael Trixx @ Sunset</i>	7 Micah Gardner 6-10pm	8 Webb & Davidson 6-10pm <i>Michael Trixx @ Sunset</i>	9 Webb & Davidson 6-10pm	10 Steve Venini Band 6-10pm <i>Michael Trixx @ Sunset</i>	11 *SPECIAL EVENT* Shane Duncan Band 6-10pm <i>Michael Trixx @ Sunset</i>
12 Webb & Davidson 6-10pm	13 The Carousers 6-10pm <i>Michael Trixx @ Sunset</i>	14 Ray Jaworski 6-10pm	15 Webb & Davidson 6-10pm <i>Michael Trixx @ Sunset</i>	16 Webb & Davidson 6-10pm	17 Crazy Talk 6-10pm <i>Michael Trixx @ Sunset</i>	18 *SPECIAL EVENT* Majesty of Rock 6-10pm <small>Journey/Styx Tribute Band</small>
19 Webb & Davidson 6-10pm	20 The Carousers 6-10pm <i>Michael Trixx @ Sunset</i>	21 Micah Gardner 6-10pm	22 Webb & Davidson 6-10pm <i>Michael Trixx @ Sunset</i>	23 Webb & Davidson 6-10pm	24 Steve Venini Band 6-10pm <i>Michael Trixx @ Sunset</i>	25 The Dropouts Band 6-10pm
26 Webb & Davidson 6-10pm	27 The Carousers 6-10pm <i>Michael Trixx @ Sunset</i>	28 Mark Hill 6-10pm	29 Webb & Davidson 6-10pm <i>Michael Trixx @ Sunset</i>	30 Webb & Davidson 6-10pm	31 Marko Coconut 6-10pm <i>Michael Trixx @ Sunset</i>	Waterfront Dining!



We have 32 world-renowned
FISHING GUIDES based at Lorelei!

