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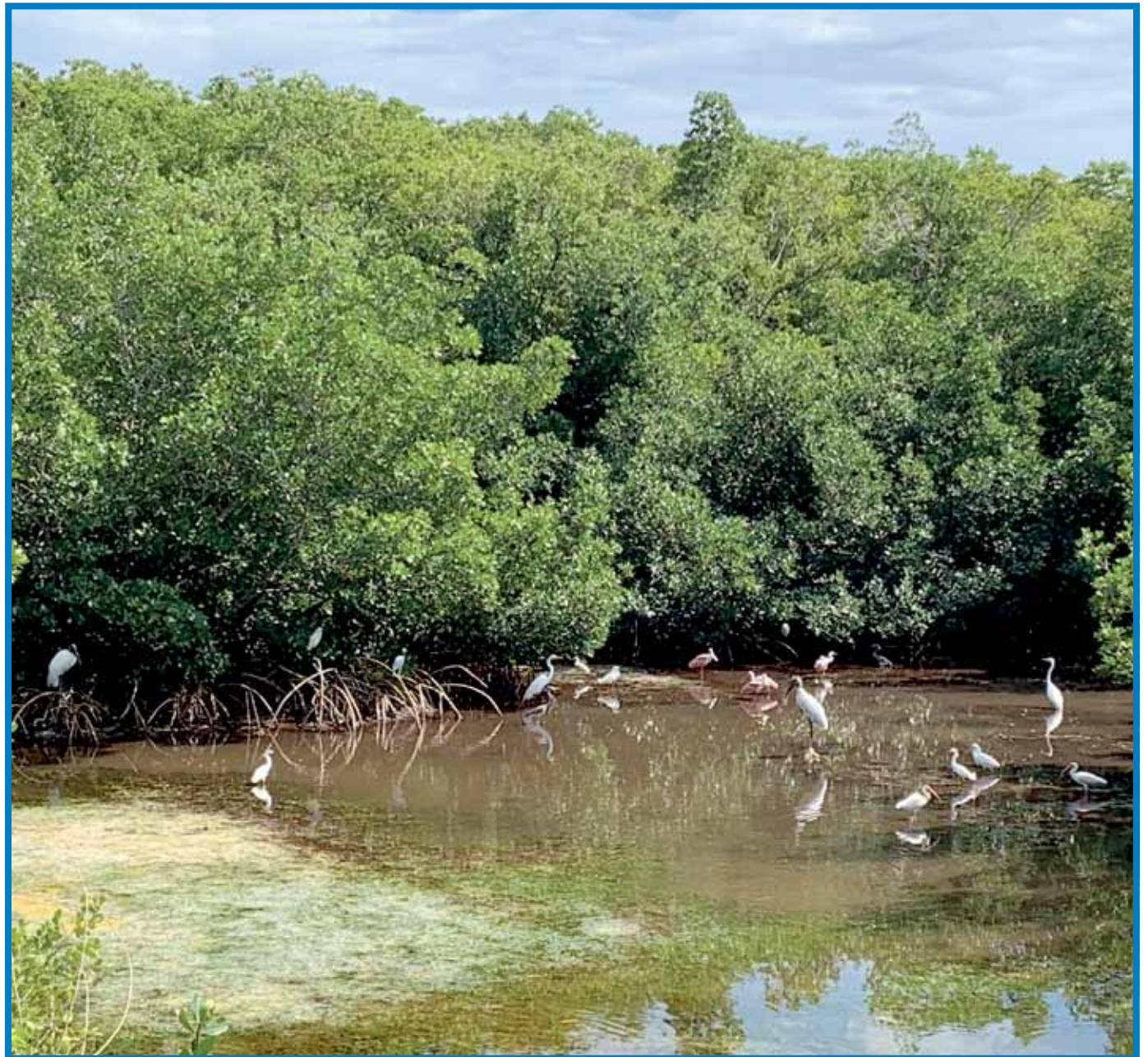
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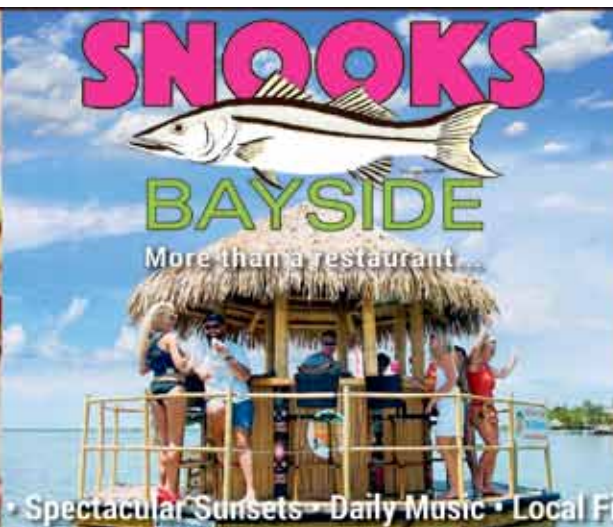
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Editorial - What's happening in the Upper Keys?

The Coconut Telegraph and the Key Largo Moose are sponsoring a fundraiser for the Upper Keys Animal Shelter. It is going to be an Adult Easter Egg Hunt! See ad on page 9.

There will be amazing prizes, a silent auction, scrumptious hors d'oeuvres and live music at the Liki Tiki. The Upper Keys Animal Shelter relies on donations from people like you and me to help our furry little friends because they can't help themselves.

If you have something you would like to donate or want to help, text me at 305-304-2837, call the Humane Society 305-451-3848 or drop it off at the Key Largo Moose.

Welcome back Tropical Realty!

2021 is going to be another busy year for them. Everyday when I read the news online I see where the rich, famous and smart people are buying and selling homes like crazy right now. Why? It is a seller's market, values are going up and interest is low at the banks. If you are wondering how you can take advantage of this opportunity before real-estate prices go down and interest rates go back up give them a call.

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The Social Media Conundrum

Nothing irritates me more than misspelled words and poor grammar. I literally cringe, especially if it is my mistake. That is what proofing is for, but on social media it is a whole different ball of wax. People tend to be in a hurry to get their point across. Sometimes its just a typo or a slip of the

finger nail. It is really hard to correct other peoples mistakes but it isn't nice to publicly humiliate them either. Consider your karma, take off your crabby panties and bite your tongue. Think about this... how would you like to reincarnate as a junior high school english teacher in Hialeah?

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Coconut Telegraph Spotlight on
Ilja Chapman - Voyage Blue Travel Advisor
Wanderlust Blues

by Marilee Free

Making your travel dreams come true is Ilja Chapman's mission. She is the agency owner of Voyage Blue Travel, and a vacation advisor extraordinaire. Experienced in world-wide travel, land vacations, cruise ships and guided tours, Ilja will customize an itinerary for every desire. Whether it's planning that special getaway, destination wedding gatherings or family vacations, her travel planning will save you time and money by taking the guesswork out of your trip. For tourists who want to experience the "Conch Republic," Ilja can book a spectacular array of Florida Keys excursions, entertainment, transportation, and accommodations.

Ilja has lived the dream herself, traveling to all 7 continents. For many years she and her husband, Brad, traveled the world working on cruise ships. In the various ports, they would go on helicopter tours, do some sightseeing, and take in the different cultures. They worked 6 months on the cruise ships, then had 2 months off. This allowed them to travel the United States extensively in their motorhome.

The couple managed a bed and breakfast in New Hampshire for 6 years. Moving to Key Largo in 2013 was a dream come true as well, they are avid boaters and scuba divers and embrace the island lifestyle. Former president of the Upper Keys Business and Professional Women, Ilja is still an active member and involved in many community and charity events. Hailing from Holland, she is fluent in 4 languages and loves tulips.

Amidst the year of Covid chaos and cancellations in the travel industry, many international borders are now opening back up and people are traveling again. Ilja strongly recommends purchasing travel insurance, with which she can also help clients. Vacations are an investment in making memories, relaxing, and experiencing other cultures and cuisine. However, things happen (as we all have seen) that are out of our control. Travel insurance can refund most of your money. More than ever people are turning to travel agents to answer questions, and to take the hassles and uncertainties out of travel.



2020 was the year of "wanderlust blues" for many. When I asked Ilja if she had traveled in the last year, she said that they have taken local trips, but have not traveled by plane or left the country. The Covid shutdown was devastating to travelers and those who generate an income from tourism. Ilja and I both feel blessed and lucky to live in this island paradise. We agree that due to the closures, the Keys have become even more sought after. As vaccines are being administered, borders are

opening and travel is resuming. Now more than ever, people need an expert travel agent who is knowledgeable with the ever-changing restrictions and regulations.

When you're ready to shake off those "wanderlust blues," I recommend Ilja and Voyage Blue Travel to plan your next memory-making, awe-inspiring vacation. You can visit her website at: voyageblue.com, email travel@voyageblue.com, or phone 305-998-8348.



Ilja and husband Brad also enjoy cruising locally.

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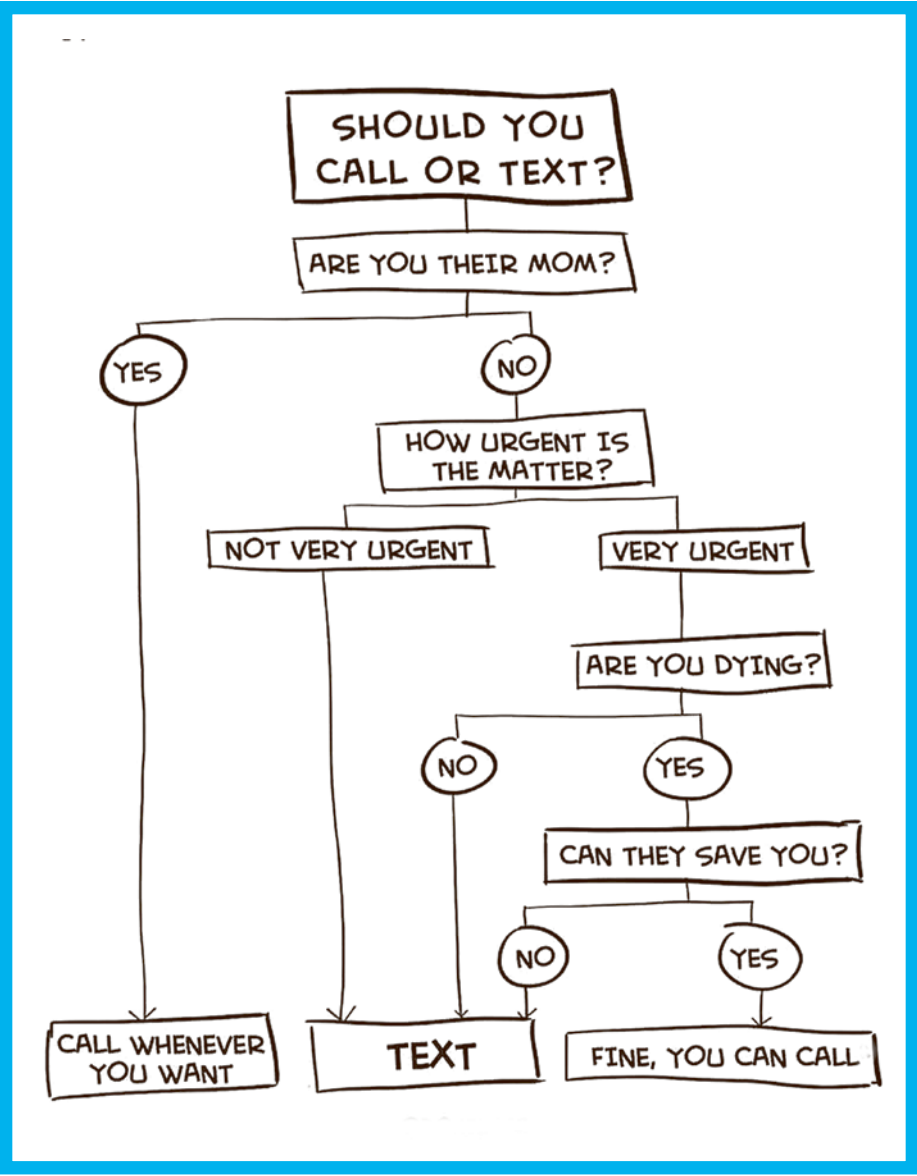
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The "Contagious" won the first leg of the series with 11 releases. Their luck did not hold in the Fishing Club's one-day tournament, but Captain Brian Cone along with mates

Sean O'Donnell and Justin Matson rebounded in the Cheeca tournament with 4 releases. The team received Gold Cup trophies and a check for \$10,000.

It was a close battle for the much sought-after High Point Angler Championship Ring sponsored by Tackle Center of Islamorada. Local dentist Travis Bennett started on top with 5 releases in the first tournament.

Juan Vilorio aboard the "Hell Reyzer" tied with Bennett after the Fishing Club tournament with 5 releases. In the end it would be angler Robert Richardson Sr. from McKinney Texas aboard the "Yabba Dabba Doo" with Captain James Hagen at the helm that would bring home the championship ring with a total of 9 releases. Although many others have won the ring, Robert will be the series only 4 time champion angler.

"Hell Reyzer" Captain Ryan Alexander kept anglers Rey



Team "Contagious"

Acosta, Eric Darvill, Victor Paneda all from Miami, FL fishing with Eric Juan (Johnny) Vilorio and Cap Hinckley from Cutler Bay, FL in the series. The team released 4 sails in the first leg, then went on to win the Islamorada Fishing Club's Captains Cup Tournament with 5 releases and then finished off the series at the Cheeca Tournament in second with 6 releases on time, taking home Gold Cup trophies and a check for \$7,000.

In total 165 sailfish were released by the 113 anglers participating in this seasons event. The Florida Keys Gold Cup Championship Series is a fund raiser for the Islamorada Charter Boat Association.

The series will be kicking off again next year with the Islamorada Sailfish Tournament December 2nd 2021. For more on the series contact Dianne Harbaugh at 305-852-2102 or islamorasailfish-tournament.com




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Artist of the Month: Susan Efthimiou - SoupaPOTamus

Why would the Coconut Telegraph promote an upstate New Yorker for Artist of the Month? Two very good reasons.

SoupaPOTamus is a new business that sells shelf-stable soups. Our amazing graphic artist Sue Beal is quite the soup connoisseur and each holiday season I search the internet to find the best and easiest soup to gift her so that she can enjoy her soup habit and make life a little easier for her. Up until now I've been a dismal failure as there wasn't much out there to find that was delicious and healthy.

Reason #1 - Enter my brilliant cousin Susan Efthimiou. Susan's wedding venue business went into hibernation because of Covid and she needed to work. Susan has 9 children and also is a home caretaker for her 90-year-old mother. "As our lifestyles became busier, it became difficult to devote the time to growing, harvesting, chopping, and cooking up a proper pot of soup that meets my standards. But the

need for tradition, the aromas, the gathering, and the laughter is still a major necessity. It was in this necessity that SoupaPOTamus was born. In each bag, I pour the traditions, the creativity, and my desire for the most delicious, plant-dense soup available that will nourish your family and friends on any given night. And all you have to do is boil water, pour it in the pot, and enjoy!" she explains.

Well I was enthralled and immediately placed a huge order of several different flavors to share with Sue and family. It was a huge success!

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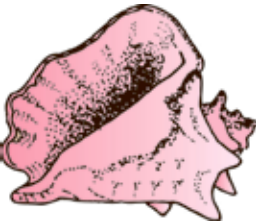
The Keys Disease at the Pilot House.



Fun at sunset at the Big Chill.



Bill Hobee of Sun 103.1 enjoys a bite of the Lorelei's famous frozen key lime pie.



Thai style Mahi fingers..... at the Lorelei.



Johnny Rabb, the drummer of the band Collective Soul, visited The Lorelei to see his friend Michael Trixx perform his Rockin' magic show.



Dillon's Pub and Grill reclaimed the 40th Annual Islamorada Bartenders Sailfish Open title and trophy in early February at final event hosted by the Lorelei.



Manatees visiting the Pilot House.



Gypsy Lane always puts on a great show at The Lorelei!



Shuck N Dive in Islamorada celebrated Mardi Gras with a weekend of New Orleans food & music. Photo by Rob LeBrun.



The FlaKeys Gang made their Lorelei debut and rocked the house!

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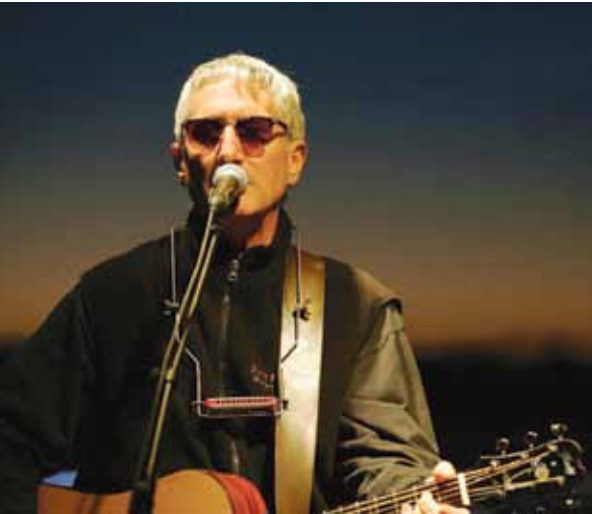
**Billy Davidson's
"30 + 1" Anniversary Party
Friday March 19th
5:30-9:30pm**

Billy Davidson has been entertaining the Keys crowds for 30 years with his laid back beachy vibes and mesmerizing guitar riffs. Billy grew up in the Syracuse, NY area and like many northern entertainers, visited the Keys on vacation, moved here the next season and became a Florida Keys legend. His buddy Paul Case was already working at The Lorelei, and when Billy arrived, the infamous "Case & Davidson" duo was born.



**Igor and Red Elvises
Your favorite band returns on
Friday March 26th 5:30-9:30pm**

Igor Yuzov was born in Germany, raised in Ukraine and studied in Russia. He grew up in the former Soviet Union, where folk music was the norm and rock'n'roll was illegal. A rebellious streak, however, led him to seek out the forbidden music. As soon as it became possible, Igor left Russia for America to play Rock'nRoll. Evolving over the years, Igor's music has been labeled "Siberian Surf Rock" which contains humorous lyrics and grooves that forces his audience to dance. Over the past 20 years, Red Elvises have constantly toured all over the world with occasional breaks to record new music and to participate in film and television projects.



**"Memories of Elvis
in Concert"
by Chris MacDonald
ENCORE PRESENTATION
Tuesday March 9th
5:30-9:30pm**

Back by popular demand !! Chris MacDonald draws his audience in with the look, sounds, and nuances that made Elvis the King of Rock N Roll! An accomplished and experienced entertainer, Chris has performed in Vegas, Branson and with the famous Legends in Concert stage productions. He has also headlined with Elvis' own original backup band, the Jordanares, at the famous Hard Rock Live Concert Arena. Chris MacDonald's performances stand on their own. The show is not a parody or an overdone impersonation. It is a natural, heartfelt tribute to an American Icon and his music. Adding to the authenticity of his tribute, Chris has the ultimate honor of being the only tribute artist hired by Elvis Presley Enterprises to perform at the Graceland Heartbreak Hotel.

After over 4,500+ gigs in the Keys, we will try again to celebrate Billy's accomplishment. (Last March's 30-year party was postponed due to the Covid shutdown.) A special "Very Best of Billy Davidson" USB lanyard will be available that contains all of his 15 studio albums, videos, pictures and collaborations with other Keys legends.



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**Mark Healey from "Badfinger"
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Mark returns to the Lorelei to play your "Badfinger" favorites like: No Matter What, Day After Day, Come and Get It, and Baby Blue. He will also play songs from his solo album "Inside out" and some of his favorite cover songs. Last time Mark was here he reminded us about the great Badfinger songs we've forgotten. This is a great chance to see a living legend up close.

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Product Review - VEET FOR MEN, Hair Removal Product

As our readers know, the Coconut Telegraph likes to review quality products that our readers might enjoy. This is not one of these products! This is an actual customer review for a real product, taken from Amazon.com (UK) **

After having been told my danglies looked like an elderly Rastafarian I decided to take the plunge and buy some of this as previous shaving attempts had only been mildly successful and I nearly put my back out trying to reach the more difficult bits.

Being a bit of a romantic I thought I would do the deed on the missus's birthday as a bit of a treat.

I ordered it well in advance and working in the North Sea I considered myself a bit above some of the characters writing the previous reviews and wrote them off as soft office types...Oh my fellow sufferers how wrong I was.

I waited until the other half was tucked up in bed and after giving some vague hints about a special surprise I went down to the bathroom. Initially all went well and I applied the gel and stood waiting for something to happen. I didn't have long to wait.

At first there was a gentle warmth which in a matter of seconds was replaced by an intense burning and a feeling I can only describe as like being given a barbed wire wedgie by two people intent on hitting the ceiling with my head.

Religion hadn't featured much in my life until that night but I suddenly became willing to convert to any religion to stop the violent burning around the turd tunnel and what seemed like the destruction of the meat and two veg.

Struggling not to bite through my



bottom lip I tried to wash the gel off in the sink and only succeeded in blocking the plughole with a mat of hair. Through the haze of tears I struggled out of the bathroom across the hall into the kitchen, by this time walking was not really possible and I crawled the final yard to the fridge in the hope of some form of cold relief.

I yanked the freezer drawer out and found a tub of ice cream, took the lid off and positioned it under me.

The relief was fantastic but only temporary as it melted fairly quickly and the fiery stabbing returned. Due to the shape of the ice cream tub I hadn't managed to give the starfish any treatment and I groped around in the drawer for something else as I was sure my vision was going to fail fairly soon.

I grabbed a bag of what I later found out was frozen sprouts and tore it open trying to be quiet as I did so. I took a handful of them and an tried in vain to clench some between the cheeks of my arse.

This was not doing the trick, as

some of the gel had found its way up the chutney channel and it felt like the space shuttle was running its engines behind me.

This was probably and hopefully the only time in my life I was going to wish there was a gay snowman in the kitchen... which should give you some idea of the depths I was willing to sink to in order to ease the pain.

The only solution my pain crazed mind could come up with was to gently ease one of the sprouts where no veg had gone before. Unfortunately, alerted by the strange grunts coming from the kitchen the other half chose that moment to come and investigate and was greeted by the sight of me, arse in the air, strawberry ice cream dripping from my bell end pushing a sprout up my arse while muttering arhhh oooooohhh that feels good ahhh. Understandably this was a shock to her and she let out a scream and as I hadn't heard her come in it caused an involuntary spasm of shock in myself which resulted in the sprout being ejected at quite some speed in her direction.

I can understand that having a sprout fired against your leg at 11 at night in the kitchen probably wasn't the special surprise she was expecting and having to explain to the kids the next day what the strange hollow in the ice cream was didn't improve my status so to sum it up, VEET removes hair, dignity and self-respect.

**We looked this up. Oddly, he rated it 5 stars!!

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I would never have believed that a few weeks of uncut hair would weigh 20 pounds but that's what the scale says

What's everyone wearing to the 1-year anniversary of 14 days to flatten the curve?
Asking for a friend.

Be nice to your hairstylist because what's stopping them from plucking one of your hairs and putting it at a crime scene?
Nothing.

I asked the 16-year-old kid at McDonald's if the Shamrock Shakes were made with fresh shamrocks.
He asked the manager.



A good way to get out of a conversation is to take off one of your socks and hand it to the person talking.

Sure, I live in the past. Have you seen the present lately?

Coco‘Nut’ Funnies

A couple, both age 78, went to a sex therapist's office. The doctor asked, "What can I do for you?" The man said, "Will you watch us have sex?"

The doctor looked puzzled, but agreed. When the couple finished, the doctor said, "There's nothing wrong with the way you have sex," and charged them \$50.

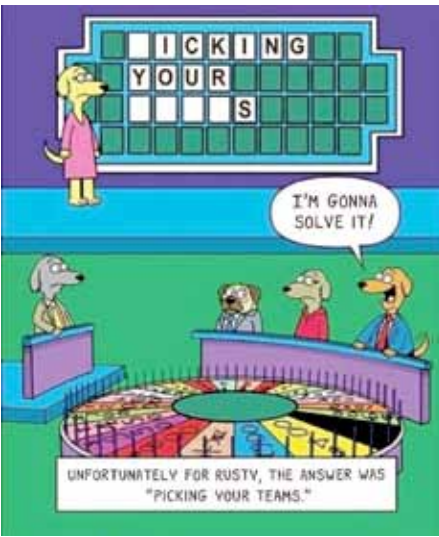
This happened several weeks in a row. The couple would make an appointment, have sex with no problems, pay the doctor, then leave.

Finally, the doctor asked, "Just exactly what are you trying to find out?"

"We're not trying to find out anything," the husband replied.

"She's married and we can't go to her house. I'm married and we can't go to my house. The Holiday Inn charges \$90. The Hilton charges \$108. We do it here for \$50 ... and I get \$43 back from Medicare."

MY EX? YEAH, I'D STILL HIT THAT. ONLY THIS TIME, IT'D BE WITH A CAR OR A BASEBALL BAT.



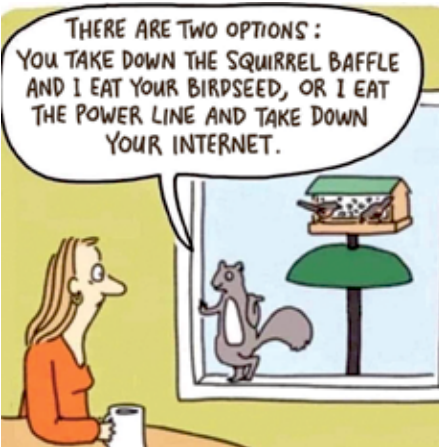
Wearing a mask inside your home is now highly recommended. Not so much to prevent Covid-19 but to stop eating.

I was in the six item express lane at the store quietly fuming.

Completely ignoring the sign, the woman ahead of me had slipped into the check-out line pushing a cart piled high with groceries.

Imagine my delight when the cashier beckoned the woman to come forward looked into the cart and asked sweetly,

"So which six items would you like to buy? Made my day!"



My bank called because they noticed 'highly suspicious activity' on my charge account. It was for a gym membership.

Bob ran out of gas, and a bee flew in his car window

'Aare you out of gas?' said the bee.

'Yes' said Bob.

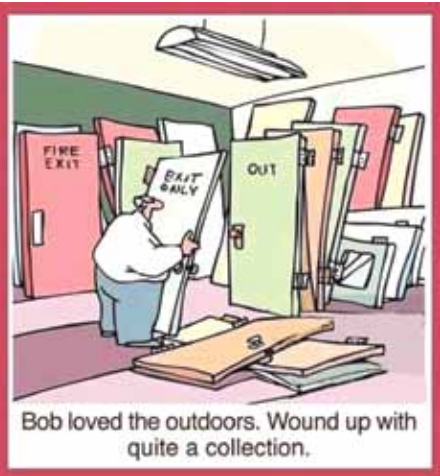
'Gimme a minute' said the bee, and flew away.

Minutes later the bee returned with the entire hive of bees who all flew into his petrol tank. Moments later they emerged.

'Try it now' said a passing bee. Bob tried and the car started.

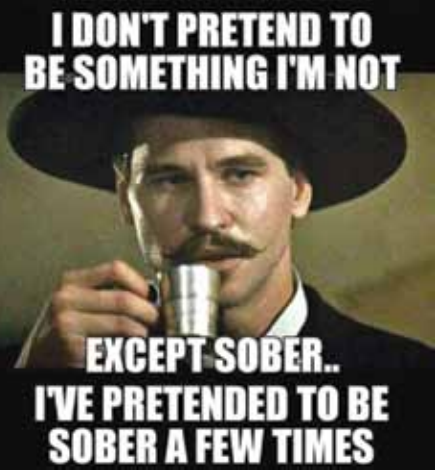
Bob said 'Wow, what did you put in the tank?'

'BP'



Roadside sobriety tests are getting ridiculous. Last night I had to fold a fitted sheet...

The clocks go forward next weekend. Not sure how far forward but I think 4 months should do.



Darn autocorrect. Now the wife thinks I'm going fisting with the guys this weekend

John was in an accident and his face was badly burned. The doctors couldn't reconstruct his face with John's own skin because he was so skinny. But his wife said they could use hers. The doctor decided that the best skin to be used was from her butt. So they took her skin and reconstructed John's face.

After the surgery he looked better than evert His entire family was amazed, but none of them ever learned where the skin came from; they assumed it was his own.

One night John is overcome with emotion so he begins to cry and tells

his wife "I love you so much. I'm so grateful for your sacrifice."

She shrugs and says "Honey, all of the thanks I need comes when your mother kisses you on the cheek."

Two Irishmen looking through a mall order catalogue.

Paddy says "Look at these gorgeous women! The prices are reasonable too.*

Mick agrees "I'm ordering one right now."

Three weeks later Paddy says to Mick "Has your wom-an turned up yet?"

"No" said Mick "but It shouldn't be long now though. Her clothes justb arrived yesterdayll



POOP JOKES AREN'T MY FAVORITE KIND OF JOKES. BUT THEY'RE A SOLID NUMBER TWO.

Always reach for the stars, because even if you miss... You'll be miles away from me with your motivational bullshit.



Q: My child will not eat fish, what can I replace it with? A: A cat. Cats love fish.



I took down my Confederate States flag (which you can't buy on eBay any more) and peeled the NRA sticker off my front window. I disconnected my home alarm system and quit the candy-ass Neighborhood Watch. I bought two Pakistani flags and put one at each corner of the front yard. Then I purchased the black flag of ISIS (which you CAN buy on eBay) and ran it up the flagpole.

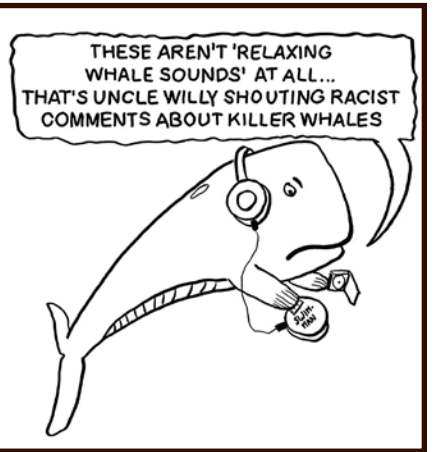
Now the local police, Sheriff, FBI, CIA, NSA, Homeland Security, Secret Service and other agencies are all watching my house 24/7. I've NEVER felt safer and I'm saving \$69.95 a month that ADT used to charge me.

Plus, I bought burkas to wear when I shop or travel. Everyone moves out of the way and security can't pat me down. If they say I'm a male wearing a burka, I just say I'm feeling like a woman today.

Hot damn...safe at last!



TODAY'S MATH PROBLEM: If George is 68 and his girlfriend is 22, how much money does George have?



Helpful Tip: When your wife asks whats on TV, don't say dust.

Alexandra Fisher @alexandrafishr

My 5 yr old keeps telling people "we're in a panDAMNIt", and now I'm convinced we're the ones saying it wrong.



A man walks up to the bar with an ostrich behind him, and as he sits, the bartender comes over, and asks for his order. The man says, "I'll have a beer," and turns to the ostrich. "What about you?"

"I'll have a beer too," says the ostrich. The bartender pours the beer and says "That will be \$3.40 please," and the man reaches into his pocket and pulls out exact change for payment.

The next day, the man and ostrich come again, and the man says "I'll have a beer," and the ostrich says, "I'll have the same." Once again the man reaches into his pocket and pays with exact change.

This becomes a routine until, late one evening, the two enter again. "The usual?" asks the bartender. "Well, it's close to last call, so I'll have a large scotch" says the man. "Same for me," says the ostrich.

"That will be \$7.20," says the bartender. Once again the man pulls exact change out of his pocket and places it on the bar. The bartender can't hold back his curiosity any longer. "Excuse me sir. How do you manage to always come up with the exact change out of your pocket every time?"

"Well," says the man, "several years ago I was cleaning the attic and found an old lamp. When I rubbed it a Genie appeared and offered me two wishes. My first wish was that if I ever had to pay for anything, I just put my hand in my pocket, and the right amount of money will always be there."

"That's brilliant!" says the bartender. "Most people would wish for a million dollars or something, but you'll always be as rich as you want for as long as you live!"

"That's right! Whether it's a gallon of milk or a Rolls Royce, the exact money is always there," says the man.

The bartender asks, "One other thing, sir, what's with the ostrich?"

The man replies "My second wish was for a chick with long legs."

Safety Tips

LONG-TERM PARKING:

People left their car in the long-term parking at San Jose while away, and someone broke into the car. Using the information on the car's registration in the glove compartment, they drove the car to the people's home in Pebble Beach and robbed it. So if you are going to leave the car in long-term parking, you should NOT leave the registration/insurance cards in it, nor your remote garage door opener. This gives us something to think about with all our new electronic technology.

GPS:

A family had their car broken into while they were at a football game. Their car was parked on the green which was adjacent to the football stadium and specially allotted to football fans. Things stolen from the car included a garage door remote control, some money and a GPS which had been prominently mounted on the dashboard. When the victims got home, they found that their house had been ransacked and just about everything worth anything had been stolen. The thieves had used the GPS to guide them to the house. They then used the garage remote control to open the garage door and gain entry to the house. The thieves knew the owners were at the football game, they knew what time the game was scheduled to finish and so they knew how much time they had to clean out the house. It would appear that they had brought a truck to empty the house of its contents. Something to consider if you have a GPS - don't put your home address in it. Put a nearby address (like a store or gas station) so you can still find your way home if you need to, but no one else would know where you live if your GPS were stolen.

CELL PHONES:

This lady has now changed her habit of how she lists her names on her cell phone after her handbag was stolen. Her handbag, which contained her cell phone,

credit card, wallet, etc., was stolen. Twenty minutes later when she called her hubby, from a pay phone telling him what had happened, hubby says, "I received your text asking about our Pin number and I've replied a little while ago." When they rushed down to the bank, the bank staff told them all the money was already withdrawn. The thief had actually used the stolen cell phone to text "hubby" in the contact list and got hold of the pin number. Within 20 minutes he had withdrawn all the money from their bank account.

Take away: Do not disclose the relationship between you and the people in your contact list Avoid using names like Home, Honey, Hubby, Dad, Mom, etc.

When sensitive info is being asked through texts, CONFIRM by calling back.

When you're being texted by friends or family to meet them somewhere, be sure to call back to confirm that the message came from them. If you don't reach them, be very careful about going places to meet "family and friends" who text you.

PURSE IN THE GROCERY CART SCAM:

A lady went grocery-shopping at a local mall and left her purse sitting in the children's seat of the cart while she reached something off a shelf. Her wallet was stolen, and she reported it to the store personnel. After returning home, she received a phone call from the Mall Security to say that they had her wallet and that although there was no money in it, it did still hold her personal papers. She immediately went to pick up her wallet, only to be told by Mall Security that they had not called her. By the time she returned home again, her house had been broken into and burglarized. The thieves knew that by calling and saying they were Mall Security, they could lure her out of her house long enough for them to burglarize it.

Energy



Energy cannot be destroyed, but it can be changed and transformed.

There is an undercurrent of energy thrumming through the Universe. Like the wind or a whisper, we can sometimes hear it and often feel it. Most of the time, we sense this energy unconsciously without any tangible proof it is really there. Thoughts, emotions, and the life force in all living things are forms of this kind of energy. So are creativity, growth, and change. The impressions, images, and vague premonitions we get about people and situations are other examples of formless energy. When you enter a space and feel an "intangible tension" in the air that gives you a sense of foreboding in your gut, what you are likely experiencing is energy.

Energy cannot be destroyed, but it can be transformed or transferred from one person, thing, or source to another. Though energy is formless, it does take form and shape in the way it flows and resides within all things: a grain of sand, a bird, a stone, and an ocean wave. Living things radiate complex vibrations while nonliving things' vibrations are simpler. Energy is a magnifier that can attract like energies while repel-

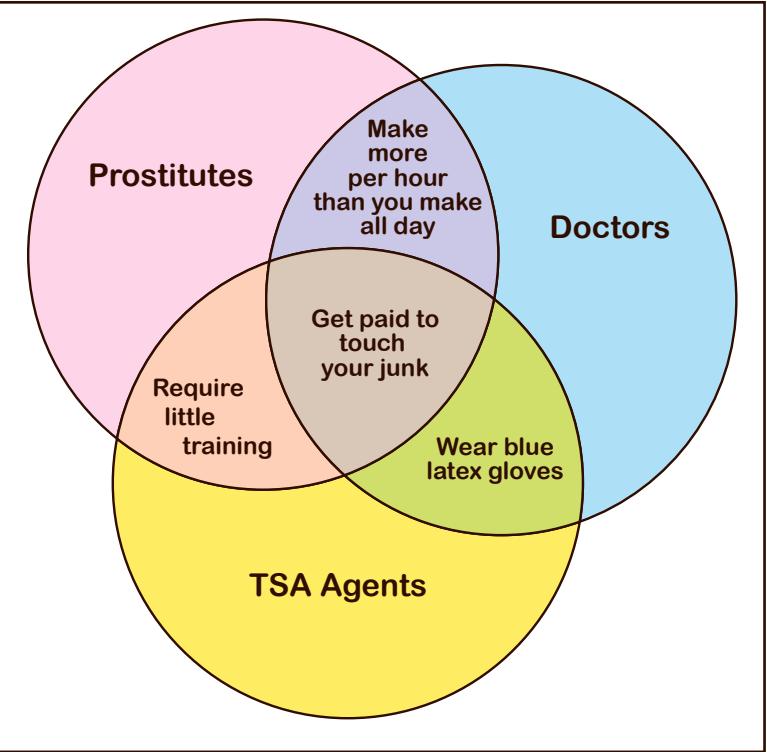
ling disparate ones. Many of our reactions to people and circumstances are based on unconscious reactions to their energies. We may even intuitively tune into the energy of a situation we are facing when making a decision about how to proceed. With careful practice and meditation, we can learn to sense the energy within other living things and ourselves.

We can also become more attuned to how we are impacted by different kinds of energy. For instance, being around too many energies can leave one person feeling edgy or excited, while another person will feel tired and drained.

While some people feel that energy can be controlled, others see it as the unknowable force that moves through all things. The combined energy in all things plays a hand in birth, death, growth, movement, and stillness. Practitioners of Aikido believe that all living beings share a common energy source that is our life force.

Whatever your beliefs, it is worthwhile to explore the roles energy plays in your life so you can understand it more fully.

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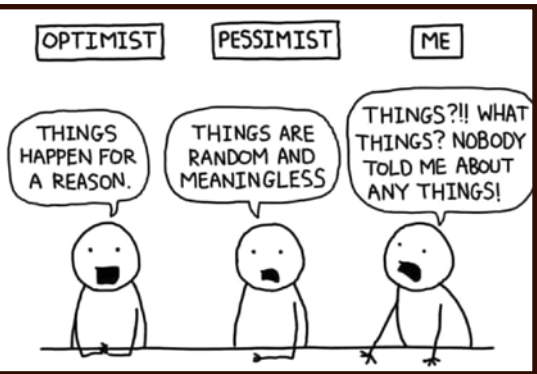
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Best. Decluttering. Tip. Ever.

Tips to organize & declutter

My husband and I play a game. Whenever we go over to someone's house, we bring something we have decluttered and secretly hide it in their house in plain site. Somewhere that it makes sense for it to be: books on the bookshelf, mugs in a cupboard, etc. We've gotten rid of so much stuff and only one person ever noticed. Our family is nowhere near minimalists. We are just easily entertained.



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MM82 at the Mermaid



**Nightly
SUNSET
CELEBRATION!**

**Voted the best sunset
location year after year!**

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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
<i>Waterfront Dining!</i>	1 The Carousers 5:30-9:30pm Michael Trixx @ Sunset	2 Harry French 5:30-9:30pm	3 Webb & Davidson 5:30-9:30pm Michael Trixx @ Sunset	4 Webb & Davidson 5:30-9:30pm	5 Taylor King Band 5:30-9:30pm Michael Trixx @ Sunset	6 Micah 11-3 Smokin Aces 5:30-9:30pm
7 Harry French 11-3 Webb & Davidson 5:30-9:30pm	8 The Carousers 5:30-9:30pm Michael Trixx @ Sunset	9 Harry French with Chris MacDonald (Elvis Presley Tribute Show) 5:30-9:30pm *Special Event*	10 Webb & Davidson 5:30-9:30pm Michael Trixx @ Sunset	11 Webb & Davidson 5:30-9:30pm	12 Abstract Radio 5:30-9:30pm Michael Trixx @ Sunset	13 Ray J 11-3 Brothers of Others 5:30-9:30pm
14 Harry French 11-3 Webb & Davidson 5:30-9:30pm	15 The Carousers 5:30-9:30pm Michael Trixx @ Sunset	16 Harry French 5:30-9:30pm	17 Saint Patrick's Day Harry O'French 11-3 Webb & Davidson 5:30-9:30pm Michael Trixx @ Sunset	18 Webb & Davidson 5:30-9:30pm	19 Billy Davidson 31 yr Anniv. 5:30-9:30pm Michael Trixx @ Sunset	20 Mark Healey 11-3 Jeffrey James Gang 5:30-9:30pm
21 Harry French 11-3 Steve Venini Band 5:30-9:30pm	22 The Carousers 5:30-9:30pm Michael Trixx @ Sunset	23 Harry French 5:30-9:30pm	24 Webb & Davidson 5:30-9:30pm Michael Trixx @ Sunset	25 Webb & Davidson 5:30-9:30pm	26 *SPECIAL EVENT* IGOR & Red Elvises 5:30-9:30pm	27 Mark Healey 11-3 Shadow Creek 5:30-9:30pm
28 Harry French 11-3 Webb & Davidson 5:30-9:30pm	29 The Carousers 5:30-9:30pm Michael Trixx @ Sunset	30 Harry French 5:30-9:30pm	31 Webb & Davidson 5:30-9:30pm Michael Trixx @ Sunset	St Patrick's Day Celebration featuring Harry O'French from 11-3 and Webb & Davidson from 5:30-9:30. We will have a special St Pat's plate of Corned Beef, Cabbage, Potatoes and Carrots for \$12.95 (Noon until we're out.)		



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

